



Four Ways Mission Community

St Michael East Buckland, St Paul Landkey, St James Swimbridge
with the Church of the Holy Name Gunn, St Peter West Buckland

Sunday 12th July 2026 - Trinity 6



Sea Sunday 12 July : *With Them In Every Storm*

Sea Sunday on the 12 July is set aside in the church calendar as space for congregations to pray for our seafarers and to give thanks for their crucial work. St Paul's Church Landkey will have a special focus on Sea Sunday this week for all who would like to attend.

The Sailors' Society theme for Sea Sunday 2026 is 'with them in every storm'. This reminds us that it has been a particularly difficult year for seafarers, the men and women who bring us more than 90% of everything we own and use. While news headlines about the Straits of Hormuz have allowed this often-invisible workforce to be seen and have highlighted the true horror of being trapped at sea for months on end. The Sailors' Society work to support seafarers and their families. 'With them in every storm' isn't just a mission statement, it is a daily reality for their team of chaplains and crisis responders.



[About us - Sailors' Society](#)

*Lord God, be the ship that holds us in the sea of life.
Be the rudder that keeps us on the straight course.
Be the outrigger that supports us in times of great testing.
May your Spirit fill our sails to carry us
through each day, and keep our bodies strong so
that we may paddle steadfastly on in the voyage of life. Amen.*



WILD CHURCH TENT - at our village events

I will be taking the Mission Community WILD CHURCH tent to West Buckland Fete this Saturday 11 July and to the Landkey Show & Fete on Saturday 25 July. The tent is a space for anyone to come to sit and chat plus children's activities with an environmental theme. If anyone would like to join me in hosting the tent, do let me know. It was really enjoyable to do this last year at Landkey, Swimbridge and West Buckland events.

This Saturday WEST BUCKLAND SUMMER FETE

Saturday 11 July, 3pm till late - a great fun event including the great village bake-off and wheelbarrow racing!

www.villagehallwestbucklanddevon.org

NEXT Saturday

The Great SWIMBRIDGE JUMBLE SALE

Saturday 18 July in St James Church, 2.30pm onwards

Fundraising for Swimbridge & Gunn churches.

Once again we are gathering a huge collection of fascinating jumble.

Thanks to Chris Ley for organising this. All help welcomed with offers of cakes, plants etc. Thank you.

Sunday 12 July - Trinity 6

9.30am Holy Communion, East Buckland

9.30am Holy Communion, Swimbridge

**10.30am Sea Sunday Service
with Holy Communion, Landkey**

11am Holy Communion, Gunn

LECTIONARY READINGS

Isaiah 55: 10-13; Romans 8: 1-11;
Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

Collect for 6th Sunday after Trinity

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Sunday 19 July - Trinity 7

9.30am Holy Communion, Swimbridge

10.30am Holy Communion, Landkey

11,15am Holy Communion, West Buckland

LECTIONARY READINGS

Isaiah 44: 6-8; Romans 8: 12-25;
Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

BILL JOHNS

Bill's funeral is taking place at St Peter's Church, West Buckland on Friday 10 July, 2pm. Please pray for Kelly, Kieran and all the family.

GEOFFREY METCALFE - West Buckland

Geoffrey's funeral is taking place at North Devon Crematorium Church on Friday 17 July. Please pray for his wife Jane and their family.