

The Buckfast Millennium Pilgrimage 2018 - Building our Faith - the rule of St Benedict

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				Mass Readings	Feast	The Building	Scripture	St Benedict	
Day 1	SAT	11-Aug	Salisbury - Lover	1st Reading	Hab 1:12-2-4	St Clare	Foundations	He set my feet upon a rock. (Ps 40 v 2) The wise man built his house upon the rock. (Matt 7 v 24)	On Mt 7:24-5: Having made this pronouncement, the Lord every day expects that we should make our lives conform to this holy advice of his. (RB Prologue)
				Psalm	9:8-13				
				Gospel	Mt 17:14-20				
Day 2	SUN	12-Aug	Lover - Ringwood	1st Reading	1 k 19:4-8	19th Sunday	Drainage	Out of the mouth the heart speaks (Luke 6 v 45). Eyes full of Light (Luke 11 v 34). Hidden darkness. Removing our iniquities – letting bad things go.	Confess your past sins to God each day in prayer with tears and sighs. Correct your faults for the future. (RB 4)
				Psalm	34:2-9				
				2nd Reading	Eph 4:30-5:2				
				Gospel	Jn 6:41-51				
Day 3	MON	13-Aug	Ringwood - Wimborne M	1st Reading	Ezk 1:2-5,24-28		Walls	Building solidly with wood/clay etc (Luke 6 v 48).	
				Psalm	148:1-2,11-14				
				Gospel	Mt 17:22-27				
Day 4	TUE	14-Aug	Wimborne M - Wareham	1st Reading	Ezk 2:8-3:4	Maximilian Kolbe	Roof	Covering us (with love). Keeping out the weather. Protection. Safe place. (Ps 91)	
				Psalm	119:14,24,72,103,111,131				
				Gospel	Mt 18:1-5,10,12-14				
Day 5	WED	15-Aug	REST DAY - Wareham	1st Reading	Rev 11:19,12:1-6,10	Assumption	Windows	but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another (1 Jn 1:17)	Let us open our eyes to the divine light and listen carefully to what the divine voice tells us to do (RB, Prologue)
				Psalm	45:10-12,16				
				2nd Reading	1 Cor 15:20-26				
				Gospel	Lk 1:39-56				
Day 6	THU	16-Aug	Wareham - W Lulworth	1st Reading	Ezk 12:1-2		Chimney	To let out the smoke – the steam and anger from our lives. "let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger" (James 1:19)	Do not act in anger or harbour a grudge. (RB 4)
				Psalm	78:56-59,61-62				
				Gospel	Mt 18:21-19:1				
Day 7	FRI	17-Aug	W Lulworth - Dorchester	1st Reading	Ezk 16:1-15,60,63		Environment	Bless the Lord, sun and moon; Bless the Lord, stars of heaven; Bless the Lord, all rain and dew; Bless the Lord, all you winds. (Dan 3:64-7)	
				Psalm	Is 12				
				Gospel	Mt 19:3-12				
Day 8	SAT	18-Aug	Dorchester - Bridport	1st Reading	Ezk 18:1-10,13,30-32		Garden	Placing us in pleasant places (Ps 23) green pastures to walk with God	
				Psalm	51:12-15,18-19				
				Gospel	Mt 19:13-15				
Day 9	SUN	19-Aug	Bridport - Lyme Regis	1st Reading	Prov 9:1-6	20th Sunday	Hearth	Now that you have purified your souls ... so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart (1 Pet 1:22)	All guests who arrive should be received as if they were Christ, (RB 53)
				Psalm	34:2-3,10-15				
				2nd Reading	Eph 5:15-20				
				Gospel	Jn 6:51-58				
Day 10	MON	20-Aug	Lyme Regis - Sidmouth	1st Reading	Ezk 24:15-24	St Bernard	Library	All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, (2 Tim 3:16)	Each monk should be given a book from the library (Cf. RB 48)
				Psalm	Dt 32:18-21				
				Gospel	Mt 19:16-22				

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Day 11	TUE	21-Aug	REST DAY - Sidmouth	1st Reading	Ezk 28:1-10	Pope St Pius X	Sleep	to lie down in green pastures (Ps 23 v 2).	When the brothers get up to go to the work of God, they should encourage each other gently, for those who are sleepy often try to make excuses.
				Psalm	Dt 32:26-28,30,35-36				
				Gospel	Mt 19:23-30				
Day 12	WED	22-Aug	Sidmouth - Kenton	1st Reading	Ezk 34:1-11	Our Lady, Queen and Mother	Kitchen	You cause the grass to grow for the cattle, and plants for people to use, to bring forth food from the earth. (Ps 104:14)	The brothers should supply each other with what they need while they are eating and drinking, so that no one needs to ask for anything. (RB 38)
				Psalm	23				
				Gospel	Mt 20:1-16				
Day 13	THU	23-Aug	Kenton - Barton	1st Reading	Ezk 36:23-28	(St Rose of Lima)	Lounge (Rest)	So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation (Gen 2:3)	After the sixth hour, when they leave the table they must rest on their beds in complete silence, or if anyone wants to read by himself, he must do so in a way that does not disturb anyone else. (RB 48)
				Psalm	51:12-15,18-19				
				Gospel	Mt 22:1-14				
Day 14	FRI	24-Aug	Barton - Ashburton	1st Reading	Rev 21:9-14	St Bartholemew	Security	Kept hidden in His heart and arms. Locks on doors. Hide me from mine enemy (Ps 27 v 5).	
				Psalm	145:10-13a,17-18				
				Gospel	Jn 1:45-51				
Day 15	SAT	25-Aug	Ashburton - Buckfast	1st Reading	Exk 43:1-7		Doors	to freely enter (and leave) His presence. Our free will.	'This is the law under which you wish to serve; if you are able to keep it, enter, but if you cannot, you are free to go.' (RB 68)
				Psalm	85:9-14				
				Gospel	Mt 23:1-12				
Day 16	SUN	26-Aug	Home	1st Reading	Josh 24:1-2,15-18	21st Sunday	Keys	of the Kingdom. Holman Hunt's Light of the World: Jesus knocking on the door of our heart (John 8:12)	Whoever you are then, who are hurrying towards the heavenly country, observe this little rule for beginners which I have written with Christ's help, and then with God's protection you will at last reach the greater heights of wisdom and virtue (RB 73)
				Psalm	34:2-3,16-23				
				2nd Reading	Eph 5:21-32				
				Gospel	Jn 6:60-69				