The Fellowship of St Helen's

The Fellowship is open to all who aspire to its aims. There is no admission charge, although we do encourage those who are able to, to make donations to support the mission of this church. Please ask for details.

A service of thanksgiving will be held annually in St Helen's and members are encouraged to attend and affirm or renew their membership.

St Helen

There is some mystery concerning her origin, but she married a Roman general and became the mother of Constantine the Great, the first Christian emperor of Rome. She was known for her charitable acts, having become a Christian late in life. Helen was old when she made a pilgrimage from Rome to Jerusalem and is reputed to have discovered the one True Cross on which Christ was crucified.

A prayer for the island of Lundy

O eternal Lord God, source of life, who has given this island to be a blessing to all people, Guide and strengthen those who administer it and give

grace to those who work on it.

Protect those who serve it by air or sea and keep them safe in all their travels.

Renew those who visit it, both in body and spirit, and by your mercy grant that the peace which surrounds it may be granted to the whole world and to all your people on earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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St Helen's 'on top of the world'



Regular services re-commence in the refurbished church

"A way of searching for God in fellowship with others who share a love of Lundy and its church."



A Spiritual Fellowship

.. from now on you are spiritually affiliated to the wider family of St Helen's, Lundy

The Reverend Hudson Heaven had a vision to build a church on the island of Lundy—a rough granite outcrop in the midst of the Bristol Channel. At the time of its building in 1896 the island was in his family's ownership and since then it has stood proud in the face of all the Atlantic weather could throw at it. It is a testament to his faith and to the glory of God that it still stands today.

In 2013 Lundy became a parish in its own right within the Diocese of Exeter and in 2017 a major work of refurbishment was carried out. As well as making the interior once more weather proof, an accommodation unit was built into the vestry. Now St Helen's offers a unique place for retreat, residing inside the church itself.

People come to Lundy for many and varied reasons; for some it is the beauty and remoteness of the place, for some its unique flora, others for the birds and other wildlife or marine features.

For some it is a place of quietness and solitude, a place where God's creation can be admired, a place where God can be found. Lundy is a place where time stretches out, footsteps lengthen and every day routines are forgotten.

The Fellowship offers its members the opportunity to feel that they belong in this unique place, this Holy Island, a place of pilgrimage where God can be encountered around every corner.

A Rule of Life

All Christians seek to live according to Gospel values and to become more Christ-like in their obedience to God's call. Those of other faiths or none may also be seeking the common good for all people while exploring their own spirituality.

As a member of the Fellowship you will be able to undertake this 'search for God' knowing that others of like mind are in fellowship with you. Fellows live in witness to the Gospel ideal through relationships with others amongst whom we live, work and pray. We are linked and supported by a shared love of God, of God's creation, and of Lundy.

The Obligations of a Fellow

We ask no more than that you will try to live your life in the knowledge of the love of God, but you may wish to consider some of the following:

- 1. To practise regular attendance at church, especially on Sundays.
- 2. To practise regular prayer and reading of scripture.
- 3. To include the life and work of St Helen's Lundy in your daily prayers.
- 4. To pray daily for the island of Lundy—an example is given overleaf.
- 5. To keep in regular contact with St Helen's and to visit and share in worship when possible.
- 6. To make adequate provision for personal study and recreation and the needs of family commitments and personal relationships.
- 7. To practise regular almsgiving.

To join the Fellowship please complete and return the form opposite.

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Your name:
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Please write a little about your connection(s) to Lundy:
What draws you to join the Fellowship:

Data protection. We use your personal data only for the purposes of maintaining the membership list. A full copy of our privacy notice can be obtained from the Parish Office at the address overleaf.