

## **THE BENEFICE OF EAST CLEVEDON**

### **All Saints Harvest Festival – 2<sup>nd</sup> October**

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#### **Collect**

Eternal God,  
you crown the year with your goodness  
and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season:  
grant that we may use them to your glory,  
for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being;  
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.

#### **Deuteronomy 26: 1 – 11**

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

#### **John 6: 25-35**

When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat."' Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.'

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

### **IN OUR PRAYERS...**

In our benefice we pray for those who are sick; Ray Weaver, Doy Marriott, Ray Willis, Becci McCready, Jean Jones, John Gall, Rose Hurley (Lynne Ruddock's mother), Dave Delaney.

We pray for those who have recently died; Norah Hollier, Jean Carrad.

In our year's mind we remember, Tamara Willcocks, Colin Webb, Mollie Judge and we pray for all who are mourning the loss of loved ones at this time.

*Hymn numbers are displayed on the boards in church*

### **Notices**

**HELP NEEDED delivering Coffee At The Court flyers** round the parish. If you can help, please take flyers from the pew at the back of the church (road names are listed alphabetically). We would be most grateful!

**The 3 Cs (Coffee, cake and Conversation)** will be meeting in All Saints Vestry on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> October from 1.30am – 2.45pm.

**Stepping Stones** Bereavement Support meeting at 2pm on Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> October in St Mary's Hall.

**Crib festival meeting** on Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> October at 11.30am in All Saints Vestry.

**Church heating:** Heating costs have risen dramatically and we cannot afford to keep the church as warm as we are used to. Please come to church in warm clothes during the winter months (heating season).

### **Wednesday communions**

10.00am St Mary's  
11.00am St Peter and St Paul's (Boxwood Cottage)

**Tuesday (4<sup>th</sup> October)**  
1.30pm The 3 Cs discussion group (All Saints Vestry)

**Thursday (6<sup>th</sup> October)**  
11.30am Crib meeting (All Saints Vestry)  
12.30pm Little Saints (All Saints Vestry)

**Friday (7<sup>th</sup> October)**  
2.00pm Stepping Stones bereavement support, St Mary's Hall

### **Next Sunday (9<sup>th</sup> October)**

8.00am All Saints Holy Communion  
10.00am St Mary's Morning Prayer (Harvest Festival and baptism of Frederick Gale)  
10.30am All Saints Holy Communion  
11.15am St Paul's Harvest Festival (Morning Prayer)  
6.00pm St Peter and St Paul Harvest Evensong