

THE BENEFICE OF EAST CLEVEDON

Trinity 13 – 11th September

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Collect

Merciful Father and Lord of all life, we praise you that we are made in your image and reflect your truth and light. We thank you for the life of our late Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth, for the love she received from you and showed among us. Above all, we rejoice at your gracious promise to all your servants, living and departed, that we shall rise again at the coming of Christ. And we ask that in due time we may share with your servant Elizabeth that clearer vision promised to us in the same Christ our Lord; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

Ephesians 4: 2-7, 11-13

Lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

Each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ.

Luke 22: 24-27

A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.

IN OUR PRAYERS...

O Lord our Heavenly Father, Almighty and Everlasting God, we remember before you our late Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth, in thankfulness for the blessings which you have bestowed upon us by her reign; for the example she set of unwearied devotion to duty; for her steadfast courage; and for the love and loyalty borne to her by a great family of peoples in all parts of the world. And we beseech you to give us that grace that, having these your mercies in remembrance, we may with one heart and one mind set forward the welfare of this land, and hasten the coming of your kingdom of peace and goodwill; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

Almighty God, Father of all mercies and giver of all comfort: deal graciously, we pray, with all those who mourn, the members of the Royal Family, this Nation and all Nations of the Commonwealth, that casting all our cares on you, we may know the consolation of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

Everlasting God, we pray for our new King, Charles. Bless his reign and the life of our nation. Help us to work together so that truth and justice, harmony and fairness flourish among us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

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

We pray for those who have recently died: Cyril Honey, Sue Roberts, Philip Gall.

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

In the light of the recent news, Caroline and Bob's Farewell Lunch has been postponed. Details of a new date will follow.

Community Coffee Morning, Wednesday 14th September 10am in All Saints vestry. All welcome.

The pulpit pedestal flowers at St Mary's this week are in loving memory of Robert Fowler, requested by his wife Jean.

The pedestal flowers at All Saints this week are in celebration of Bob and Caroline's Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Wednesday communions

10.00am St Mary's

11.00am St Peter and St Paul's (in the chapel of St Mary Magdalene in church)

Wednesday (14th September)

10.00am Community Coffee Morning, All Saints Vestry

Thursday (15th September)

12.30pm Little Saints, All Saints Vestry

Saturday (17th September)

2.00pm Wedding of Gabrielle Wood and Liam Richards, All Saints

Next Sunday (18th September)

8.00am All Saints Holy Communion

10.00am St Mary's

10.30am All Saints Holy Communion

11.15am St Paul's Morning Prayer

6.00pm St Peter and St Paul Evensong