

THE BENEFICE OF EAST CLEVEDON

2nd Sunday before Lent – Sunday, 20th February

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Collect

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever.

Genesis 2: 4b-9, 15-25

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

Then the Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.' So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

'This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;

this one shall be called Woman,

for out of Man this one was taken.'

Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

Luke 8: 22-25

One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

IN OUR PRAYERS...

In our benefice we pray for those who are sick; Ray Weaver, David Major, Doy Marriott, Sue Roberts, Ray Willis, Sarah Witheridge, Ernest Woolford, Chris Healey.

We pray for those who have recently died; Hilary James, Alvine Youde, Doug Todd.

In our year's mind we remember, Karen Lyon, Michael Curme, Irene Price, Audrey Pritchard, Arnold Sharrock, 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

Palm crosses If anyone still has a palm cross from last year we'd be grateful if you could bring to church next week (or drop off during the week) so they can be burnt for ash for the Ash Wednesday service on 2nd March. Thank you.

PRAYER 4 CLEVEDON – Saturday, 26th February 08.30-10.00am at 44 Old St, (Government regulations permitting). For more information: prayer4clevedon@gmail.com, or phone Tim Simpson, (9 am – 9pm), 01275 872 618.

The week ahead

Wednesday communions

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

Tuesday (22nd February)

11am Wedding of Shaun Parker and Jo-Eloise Allies, St Mary's

Half term - no school assembly or Little Saints

Wednesday (23rd February)

12.00pm St Peter and St Paul PCC meeting, Barn End
7.00pm All Saints PCC meeting, All Saints vestry

Next Sunday (27th February)

8.00am All Saints Holy Communion
10.00am St Mary's Morning Prayer
10.30am All Saints Holy Communion
11.15am St Paul's Morning Prayer
6.00pm St Peter and St Paul Evensong (Village Hall)