

## THE BENEFICE OF EAST CLEVEDON

Easter 2 – 24<sup>th</sup> April

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### Collect

Almighty Father,  
you have given your only Son to die for our sins  
and to rise again for our justification:  
grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness  
that we may always serve you  
in pureness of living and truth;  
through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### Acts 5: 27-32

When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, 'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.' But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'

### John 20: 19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

### IN OUR PRAYERS...

We pray for the people of Ukraine and for peace.

In our benefice we pray for those who are sick; Ray Weaver, David Major, Doy Marriott, Sue Roberts, Ray Willis, Chris Healey, Stephen Parker, Jean Dally.

We pray for those who have recently died; Jim Carlier

In our year's mind we remember, June Honey, John Sutton, Daniel Dawson, 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

**Ukraine Fund Raising Concert** - a concert to raise funds to help the people of Ukraine will be held at St Mary's on **Saturday 30th April, 7.30pm** (until 10 o'clock) Locally based ukulele band Clevedon Ukebox will be accompanied by friends to provide music, poetry and entertainment with light interval refreshments Tickets £10 with all the proceeds going to this cause are available from Paul Middleton.

**The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace by Karl Jenkins** sung by Yatton & Winscombe Chorale with items from Stanford, Handel and Parry. Conducted by Ian Hubbard. Free entry with retiring collection. **7.30pm, Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April at St Mary's, Yatton.**

**St Mary's APCM** will now be taking place next week **Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> May** after the morning service.

## The Week Ahead

### Wednesday communions

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

**Tuesday (26<sup>th</sup> April)**  
10.10am All Saints school assembly  
2.00pm Interment of ashes of Graham Bloxham, All Saints

**Wednesday (27<sup>th</sup> April)**  
1.30pm Funeral of Jim Carlier, Weston Super Mare Crematorium.

**Thursday (28<sup>th</sup> April)**  
12.00pm St Peter and St Paul PCC, 71a Dial Hill Road.  
12.30pm Little Saints, All Saints Vestry  
7.00pm UB Church wardens' meeting, All Saints Vestry

**Saturday (30<sup>th</sup> April)**  
7.30pm Ukraine Fund Raising Concert, St Mary's

**Next Sunday (1<sup>st</sup> May)**  
8.00am All Saints Holy Communion  
10.00am St Mary's Holy Communion *followed by APCM*  
10.00am St Peter and St Paul Holy Communion  
10.30am All Saints Holy Communion  
11.15am St Paul's Morning Prayer  
1.00pm Wedding of Thomas Rowland and Abigail Attride, All Saints