THE BENEFICE OF EAST CLEVEDON

Sunday before Lent – 27th February

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Collect

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Exodus 34: 29-end

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterwards all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Luke 9: 28-36

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah'—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

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, Elizabeth Cheverton, Nellie Burge, Nancy Pallent, Doris Youde, 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

Covid restrictions: All restrictions have now been lifted and the PCCs of the benefice churches are keen to restore the chalice at communion and return to "normal". As from Easter Day the chalice will be offered at the Eucharist and we will receive the bread and wine at the altar rail. Receiving the chalice will, of course, remain a personal choice.

Defibrillator for All Saints Lane and church: The community in All Saints Lane is keen to provide a defibrillator to be placed on the outside wall of the Parish Rooms to be available for the lane, church, school and parish rooms. The PCC has approved this. The total cost will be £2,500 to be raised by the community as a whole. If you would like to make a contribution please speak with the Parish Office or Trish.

Fund Raising Evening:

History of Art talk on "The Fight between Carnival and Lent" by Breughel 1559. A fascinating talk by local Art Historian Jonathan Camp on **Saturday, 19th March at 7:30 pm in All Saints Parish Rooms**. Tickets on the door £12.00 to include a glass of wine. *Proceeds towards an All Saints community defibrillator to be placed on the wall of the Parish Rooms*. No need to book but any queries please contact Rosie Jackson 07887656914 or Kate in the Parish Office 873257.

Stepping Stones (Free drop in bereavement support) **Friday, 4**th **March 2pm – 4pm, St Mary's Church Hall.** Tea and biscuits provided. The group meets the first Friday of each month.

Buttons update! Many thanks to everyone who contributed to this; your support has been much appreciated by the organisers (for 'Alive' Dementia charity) A full message of thanks and photo will be in a forthcoming edition of the magazine.

All Saints Floodlighting 1st March: For our beautiful little Chloe to celebrate her 1st birthday. It's been a wonderful year with you. Love Mummy, Daddy and big sister Paige xxx

Ash Wednesday (2nd March) Said Communion with imposition of ashes

10.00am St Mary's

6.00pm All Saints Church (choir stalls)

Tuesday (Ist March)

10.10am All Saints School Assembly

Thursday (3rd March)

12.30pm Little Saints, All Saints Vestry

Next Sunday (6th March)

8.00am All Saints Holy Communion 10.00am St Mary's Holy Communion

10.00am St Peter and St Paul, Holy Communion (Village Hall)

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