THE BENEFICE OF EAST CLEVEDON

Mothering Sunday - 27th March

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Collect

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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.

Exodus 2: 1-10

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

Luke 2: 33-35

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

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, Sarah Witheridge, Ernest Woolford, Chris Healey.

We pray for those who have recently died.

In our year's mind we remember, Jean Waterhouse, 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

Lent Meditation 12.30pm 30th March at St Mary's this week led by Nicholas Maddock (Psalm 22) followed by the Lent lunch in the hall. For details of **Lent groups** please refer to the Week Ahead (below)

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

St Mary's Spring lunch to be held **12.30 pm Saturday 2nd April** in the church hall. Price £12. See Yvonne to put your name down or phone 875643.

FATHER&SON: SON&FATHER

A Passion Play for Two Voices at All Saint's Church, Clevedon on Saturday 9th April at 7.00pm An opportunity to see a new production of this thought-provoking work by Canon Neville Boundy and performed by Tim and Tom Daplyn. Tom is a professional actor and director and Tim is his real-life Father. Tickets (£10 to include refreshments) may be booked in advance from The Parish Office (01275 873257), in All Saints' and St Mary's churches or from Tim Daplyn (01275 219810). Proceeds from the performance will be going to **The Quartet Foundation** which supports community projects in Bristol and North Somerset.

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**th April at St Mary's, Yatton.

All Saints floodlighting 27 March 2022

Our amazing grandson, Gregor, becomes a teenager today. He is such a blessing to us and we thank God for him. Mo and Geoff King

The Week Ahead

Tuesday (29th March)

10.10am All Saints school assembly

11.00am Lent Group at Boxwood Cottage, Weston in Gordano

Wednesday (30th March)

10.00am Holy Communion, St Mary's

11.00am Holy Communion at Boxwood Cottage, Weston in Gordano
12.30pm Lent Meditation, St Mary's followed by Lent lunch in the hall

7.00pm Lent Group, All Saints Vestry

Thursday (31st March)

12.30pm Little Saints, All Saints Vestry

Friday (Ist April)

2.00pm Stepping Stones bereavement drop in support, St Mary's church hall

Saturday (2nd April)

12.30pm St Mary's Spring lunch, St Mary's church hall

Next Sunday (3rd April)

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

10.00am St Peter and St Paul Holy Communion

10.30am All Saints Holy Communion11.15am St Paul's Morning Prayer