

THE BENEFICE OF EAST CLEVEDON

Christ the King – Sunday, 21st November 2021

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Collect

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14

As I watched,
thrones were set in place,
and an Ancient One took his throne;
his clothing was white as snow,
and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames,
and its wheels were burning fire.
A stream of fire issued
and flowed out from his presence.
A thousand thousand served him,
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.
The court sat in judgement,
and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions,
I saw one like a human being
coming with the clouds of heaven.
And he came to the Ancient One
and was presented before him.
To him was given dominion
and glory and kingship,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him.
His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one
that shall never be destroyed.

John 18: 33-37

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

IN OUR PRAYERS...

In our benefice we pray for those who are sick; Alan Smith, Ray Weaver, John Leighton, Doug Todd, Marcia Gibson, David Major.
We pray for those who have recently died; Kevin Cheverton.

In our year's mind we remember, Joy Sinclair, Wendy Whitehead, Margaret Harper, George Derrick, and we pray for all who are mourning the loss of loved ones at this time.

Notices

All Saints Church Clean, Saturday 4th December 10am – 12 noon. Please come and volunteer! A bread and cheese lunch will be provided. Please let Monica or Kay know if you are able to help.

Caroline Sackley: You will know that Caroline is retiring at the end of the year. If you wish to contribute towards a gift for Caroline and Bob, please hand your donation to one of the churchwardens or make a contribution via BACS with the reference 'Caroline gift' **not later than Sunday 5th December**. Each church will make a presentation to Caroline at one of their Christmas services.

The St Mary's flower arrangers have recently had an overdue Spring Clean and this Sunday will be manning a sales table in the church hall during coffee time, offering a range of baskets for flower/fruit arrangements and various fabrics which could be useful for handicrafts or Christmas present wrappings. All profits from sales will go to the church flower fund.

Martin's installation, St John's Church, Highbridge Tuesday 23rd November at 7pm. Please be seated for 6.45pm. Parking is available at Churchfield Church School, Burnham Road, Highbridge TA9 3JF.

Folk Concert, All Saints on 3rd December. All tickets have now been sold or reserved. A 'waiting list' will be available if there are any returns before the concert (contact Mo King 07377 387722)

All Saints Crib Festival 12th – 19th December. If you can help during the week either providing cakes, helping to serve refreshments or welcoming please contact Rosie Jackson on 0788765691 or rjackson7@btinternet.com or Kate Hector in the Parish Office.

Christmas services will be advertised in the December magazine and the posters currently displayed in church.

The Week Ahead

Tuesday (23rd November)
10.10am All Saints School Assembly
7.00pm Installation of Rev'd Martin Little at St John's, Highbridge

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

Wednesday (24th November)
10.45am St Mary's PCC meeting in the church hall.

Thursday (25th November)
12.30pm Little Saints (in All Saints vestry)

Next Sunday (28th November)
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 (in Village Hall)