

## **THE BENEFICE OF EAST CLEVEDON**

**Trinity 18 – 16<sup>th</sup> October**

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### **Collect**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
increase in us your gift of faith  
that, forsaking what lies behind  
and reaching out to that which is before,  
we may run the way of your commandments  
and win the crown of everlasting joy;  
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.

### **Genesis 32: 22-31**

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

### **Luke 18: 1-8**

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." ' And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

### **IN OUR PRAYERS...**

In our benefice we pray for those who are sick; Ray Weaver, Doy Marriott, Ray Willis, Becci McCready, Jean Jones, Dave Delaney.

We pray for those who have recently died; Nora Hollier, Jean Carrad, Jonny Every.

In our year's mind we remember, Peggy Wreford, Doris Woolgar, 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

**Bible Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October at St Mary's (10.00am)** we look forward to welcoming Judith Sawers from the Wycliffe Bible Translators to speak about their work and share some resources with us. Anyone from across the benefice is welcome to join us for this occasion.

**United Benefice Service of Light** will be held at **All Saints on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 6.00pm**. A simple service to remember any loved ones who have died either recently or in years past. There will be the opportunity for the lighting of candles in remembrance of your loved ones and to see their name in the Book of Remembrance. Light refreshments will be available after the service.

**"The Lessons of Pilgrimage – Faith for the long haul"**. The Revd. Tim Daplyn will lead three evening sessions on how to sustain faith for a lifetime drawing on lessons he has learned on pilgrimage. These will be suitable for everyone – for those who have had a faith for many years as well as those who are new to church. They will help us be encouraged and sustained in faith – so please come.

**All Saints Vestry – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> November 7.00pm - 8.00pm**

**Churches Together In Clevedon** service at 6pm on Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October at Clevedon School. All are very welcome to come along.

**Changing Clevedon through Prayer** – Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 8.30 – 10am at Town Council Offices, 44 Old Street. More info from Tim Simpson 01275 872 618 / [prayer4clevedon@gmail.com](mailto:prayer4clevedon@gmail.com)

### Wednesday communions

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

**Tuesday (18<sup>th</sup> October)**  
10.10am All Saints School Assembly

**Wednesday (19<sup>th</sup> October)**  
1.30pm Funeral of Nora Hollier, All Saints

**Thursday (20<sup>th</sup> October)**  
12.30pm Little Saints (All Saints Vestry)  
12.30pm Funeral of Jean Carrad, St Mary's

**Next Sunday (23<sup>rd</sup> October)**  
8.00am All Saints Holy Communion  
10.00am St Mary's Morning Prayer (*Bible Sunday. Rep from Wycliffe Bible translators*)  
10.30am All Saints Holy Communion  
11.15am St Paul's Holy Communion  
6.00pm St Peter and St Paul Evensong