Changing Clevedon, through Prayer, Thursday 26th Jan, 2.30-4.00pm at Town Council Offices, 44 Old Street. More info from Tim Simpson 01275 872 618 / prayer4clevedon@gmail.com

Wednesday communions

10.00am St Mary's

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

Tuesday (17th January)

10.10am All Saints School Assembly

Thursday (19th January)

12.30pm Little Saints (All Saints Vestry)

Friday (20th January)

I I.00am Funeral of Sheila Duncan, All Saints

Next Sunday (22nd January)

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
5.00pm St Peter and St Paul Evensong

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All Saints, Walton St Mary, St Peter and St Paul, St Paul's

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Collect

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new:

transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace,

and in the renewal of our lives

make known your heavenly glory;

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.

Isaiah 49: I-7

Listen to me, O coastlands,

pay attention, you peoples from far away!

The Lord called me before I was born,

while I was in my mother's womb he named me.

He made my mouth like a sharp sword,

in the shadow of his hand he hid me;

he made me a polished arrow,

in his quiver he hid me away.

And he said to me, 'You are my servant,

Israel, in whom I will be glorified.'

But I said, 'I have laboured in vain,

I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;

yet surely my cause is with the Lord,

and my reward with my God.'

And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength—he says,

'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel;

I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.'

Thus says the Lord,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,
'Kings shall see and stand up,
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the Lord, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.'

John 1: 29-42

The next day he saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.' The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched lesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him,

'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

IN OUR PRAYERS...

In our benefice we pray for those who are sick; Ray Weaver, Doy Marriott, Ray Willis, Becci McCready, Dave Delaney, Nicholas Percy, Shirley Brown, Lynne Ruddock, Rose Hurley, Jeremy Spratt, Marion Bragg, Kevin Hillier.

We pray for those who have recently died; Sheila Duncan.

In our year's mind we remember, Sheila Cullen, Derek Vowles, Donald Rankin, Elizabeth Hollier, Win Thomas, Lucy Harler, Phyllis Neath, Ernest Hutchings, Ellen Sweet, 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

New Monthly Bible Study starting Tuesday, 31st January in All Saints Vestry from 7pm—8pm. Following Tim's excellent series on Pilgrimage in November, we have decided to start a Benefice Bible Study group to encourage us in our ongoing Christian faith. Noel will lead the group. All are very welcome.

St Mary's 'Warm Welcome': Every Wednesday in winter St Mary's will host a warm space, coffee and chat from 10.30am – 12.00 in the church hall following the 10.00am communion service. This is part of the Clevedon Churches Warm Welcome initiative. Please come, you are very welcome.