History of Art talk for Christmas at All Saints Parish Rooms on Saturday 9th December at 7.30pm—Spend an evening with Jonathan Camp, local art historian, discovering Jan Gossaert's fabulous 'Adoration of the Kings'. Tickets are £12 including a glass of wine. Pay on the door, but to reserve a seat or for further information please contact Rosie Jackson (07887 656914) or email rjjackson7@btinternet.com or The Parish Office (01275 873257) eastclevedon04@outlook.com

St Mary's Flowers - the pulpit pedestal flowers are in thankful memory of the 80th Wedding Anniversary of Nicholas's parents, David and May Maddock, married at Abbots Leigh Church 4th October 1943.

Changing Clevedon, Through Prayer

Thursday, 23rd November, 2.30-4.00 at Town Council Offices, 44 Old Street. More info from Tim Simpson 01275 872618 prayer4clevedon@gmail.com

Wednesday communions

10.00am St Mary's

Tuesday (21st November)

10.10am All Saints School Assembly

Thursday (23rd November)

12.30pm Little Saints, All Saints Vestry

Next Sunday (26th 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 followed by Parish Conversation

5.00pm St Peter and St Paul Evensong

THE BENEFICE OF EAST CLEVEDON

2nd Sunday before Advent – 19th November

New Parish Office email address: eastclevedon04@outlook.com

Collect

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Zephaniah I: 7, 12-end Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, 'The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm.' Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there.

That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation,

a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Matthew 25: 14-30

'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have,

more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

IN OUR PRAYERS...

In our benefice we pray for those who are sick; Roy Guest, Denise Richardson, Shirley Logan, Jean Jones, Anthony Jones, Fr. Ron Farrell, Andrea Greening, Bridget de Waal, Terry Richards.

We pray for those who have recently died; Sandra Green.

In our year's mind we remember, Bob Newton, Joy Sinclair, Barry Walker, Joan Jarvis, and we pray for all who are mourning the loss of loved ones at this time.

Notices

New Parish Office email address: eastclevedon04@outlook.com

Please update your address book accordingly.

Pew sheets will not be able to be sent out by email for the next couple of weeks but we hope this can be resumed by the end of the month.

All Saints Christmas services and events flyers are at the back of church. We would be <u>so</u> grateful for help in delivering these around the parish. Please use the sheet supplied to tick off the road/s that you have taken. Many thanks.

Lunchtime Advent Hymn Meditations at St Mary's, Wednesdays 6th, 13th and 20th December at 12 noon. Each week an Advent hymn will be chosen and its message looked at as part of the Advent story, followed by a short Act of Worship. At 12.30pm there will be a light lunch in the hall for a donation of £3.00.

Christmas Coffee morning, Saturday December 2nd, 10.30am in St Mary's Hall. There will be a raffle and bring and buy stall. Entrance fee of £5.

Folk at Christmas at All Saints on Friday 8th December at 7.30pm – BadgerSet are back with their festive Christmas concert at All Saints' Church. Doors open at 7pm. Tickets are now on sale—£10 including seasonal refreshments— and, if previous years are anything to go by, they will sell out pretty rapidly. They are available now from the Parish Office (01275 873257), Mo King (07377 387722) or Monica Gore (01275 791764)