THE BENEFICE OF EAST CLEVEDON All Saints, St Mary's, St Peter and St Paul, St Paul's Third Sunday after Epiphany – 21st January www.eastclevedonchurches.co.uk Collect

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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 14: 17-20

After Abram's return, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. He blessed him and said,

'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!' And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

John 2: I-II

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the

brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee,

IN OUR PRAYERS...

In our benefice we pray for those who are sick; Roy Guest, Brigit de Waal, Terry Richards, Anna Mylam, Norma Selwyn.

We pray for those who have recently died; Sue Betts, Shirley Logan, John Bailey.

In our year's mind we remember, Donald Rankin, Olive White, George Morris, Brenda Holman, Mike Luker, Leslie Stephens, Viv Manley, Barbara King, Jeanne Luker, and we pray for all who are mourning the loss of loved ones at this time.

Notices

Ron Blackhurst's 80th - after the service at All Saints today we will be joining with Ron to celebrate his 80th birthday with bubbly and cake. Do stay if you are able to.

Churches Together In Clevedon Service, this evening, 6.30pm at Christchurch.

It will be celebrating the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity which this year is entitled 'Go and Do Likewise' and is based on the Parable of the Good Samaritan.

Saturday Morning Concert at St Mary's, I Iam Saturday, 27th January 2024

'Songs From The Shows'
Robin Tyacke - Baritone
accompanied by Pamela Rudge on piano

Free Admission with a Retiring Collection for Church funds. Coffee and tea provided.

SILENT AUCTION A Silent Auction will be held in St Mary's Church Hall on **Saturday 9 March from 10.30 till 12.00.** This is in aid of the well restoration fund. If you have any saleable items (not bric -a-brac) you would be willing to donate please contact William King (881101), and put the date in your diary! Thanks.

Sue Bett's Funeral will take place on Friday, 2nd February at II.45pm at St Paul's. Parking with be available in the field near the village hall, but please be aware that many people will have to stand outside in the churchyard, so if you would like to come please dress sensibly and be prepared to stand outside for at least an hour.

Wednesday communions

10.00am St Mary's

Tuesday (23rd January)

10.10am All Saints School Assembly

Thursday (25th January)

12.30pm Little Saints, All Saints Vestry

Next Sunday (28th January)

8.00am All Saints Holy Communion 10.00am St Mary's Morning Prayer 10.30am All Saints Holy Communion

No service at St Paul's

5.00pm St Peter and St Paul Evensong