Wednesday communions

10.00am St Mary's

I I.00am St Peter and St Paul's

Tuesday (26th September)

10.10am All Saints School Assembly

7.00pm Monthly Bible Study, All Saints Vestry

Thursday (28th September)

12.30pm Little Saints (All Saints Vestry)

Next Sunday (1st October)

8.00am All Saints Holy Communion 10.00am St Mary's Holy Communion

10.00am St Peter and St Paul Harvest Festival (MP)10.30am All Saints All age Harvest Festival (HC)

11.15am St Paul's Morning Prayer

THE BENEFICE OF EAST CLEVEDON

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

Trinity 16 – 24th September

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Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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.

Jonah 3: 10-end of 4

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the Lord and said, 'O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.' And the Lord said, 'Is it right for you to be angry?' Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, 'It is better for me to die than to live.'

But God said to Jonah, 'Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?' And he said, 'Yes, angry enough to die.' Then the Lord said, 'You are concerned

about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

Matthew 20: 1-16

'For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

IN OUR PRAYERS...

In our benefice we pray for those who are sick; Roy Guest, Angela Sutton, Denise Richardson, Robb Robinson, Shirley Logan, Archie Lee (infant).

We pray for the long term sick and those in residential homes: Doy Marriott, John Bailey, Alan Smith, Douglas and June Holland, Vivian and Pat Stokes, Dave Delaney, Jean Fowler.

We pray for those who have recently died; Nicholas Percy.

In our year's mind we remember, Edith Westcott, Jean Carrad, Norah Hollier, Sr Lydia Corby, and we pray for all who are mourning the loss of loved ones at this time.

Notices

Monthly Bible meeting will meet in All Saints Vestry this Tuesday, 26th September at 7pm. All welcome from across the benefice.

Hotwell Howlers Concert 7.30pm at All Saints Church, Friday 29th September. There will be an interval where wine and soft drinks and nibbles will be on offer. There is no charge for this concert, but donations for our project this year, Weston Hospice Care, would be most welcome.

St Mary's Harvest Recital, St Mary Walton Church – Saturday 7th, October at I I.00am

lan Hubbard introduces young friends presenting well known Voice and Piano items from a range of musical genres followed by tea/coffee. Free admission, but donations to support church funds welcomed.

QUIZ at St Mary's Hall in aid of the Well Restoration fund, Saturday 14 October at 7.00 pm. Entrance £10 per person to include wine and light refreshments. Teams of 2 to 6 people. To help with catering please let Yvonne Flanagan or William King know (881101) if you are able to come.

Coffee at the Court, Saturday 14th October from 10am—12 noon. Tickets £3 on the door to include refreshments (accompanied children free) There are a variety of stalls including cakes, preserves, toys, cards, scarves and bags.

Please contact the stall holders on the flyers which were circulated if you can offer donations or help on the day.

Grand Draw tickets are available on the table at the back of All Saints and the Parish Office. They can be bought on the day or in advance. Please help yourself and pass on to others! Thank you.