Wednesday (8th February)

10.00am Community coffee morning, All Saints Vestry

Thursday (9th February)

11.30am Funeral of Avril Wilkinson, St Mary's

12.30pm Little Saints (All Saints Vestry)

Saturday (11th February)

11.00am Morning Recital, St Mary's Church

Next Sunday (12th February)

8.00am All Saints Holy Communion
10.00am St Mary's Morning Prayer
10.30am All Saints Holy Communion
11.15am St Paul's Holy Communion
5.00pm St Peter and St Paul Evensong

THE BENEFICE OF EAST CLEVEDON

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

3rd before Lent – 5th February

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Collect

Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, among the many changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; 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 58: 1-9a

Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,
to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me
and delight to know my ways,
as if they were a nation that practised righteousness
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;
they ask of me righteous judgements,
they delight to draw near to God.

'Why do we fast, but you do not see?
Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?'
Look, you serve your own interest on your fast-day,
and oppress all your workers.
Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight

and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today
will not make your voice heard on high.

Is such the fast that I choose,
a day to humble oneself?

Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?

Will you call this a fast,
a day acceptable to the Lord?

Matthew 5: 13-20

You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

'Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

IN OUR PRAYERS...

In our benefice we pray for those who are sick; Ray Weaver, Ray Willis, Dave Delaney, Becci McCready, Nicholas Percy, Lynne Ruddock, Marion Bragg, Kevin Hillier, Margaret Cole, Mary Gammon, Jayne Turner.

We pray for the long term sickand those in residential homes: Doy Marriott, Rose Hurley, John Bailey, Jill Middleton, Alan Smith.

We pray for those who have recently died; Jeremy Spratt, Avril Wilkinson, Marcia Gibson, Viv Manley, Olive White, Barbara Sholl-Evans.

In our year's mind we remember, Hilary James, Alexander Dainty, Jessie Warden, 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

Morning Recital at St Mary's Church, Saturday, IIth February at IIam To include classical and musical theatre favourites. Followed by tea and coffee.

Rachael Cooper – Soprano Accompanied by Sue Parker

Free admission, but donations to support Church funds would be welcomed

Ash Wednesday, 22nd February service, All Saints 6pm. Services also taking place in the usual mid week slots at St Mary's (10am) and Weston in Gordano (11am).

Music which moves me' Wednesday Lent meditations at St Mary's starting on Wednesday, 1st March.

Jesus Then and Now Lent small groups are taking place on Tuesdays and Wednesdays during Lent. For full details of dates and times please refer to the pink flyer given out in church or contact the Parish Office.

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.

Wednesday communions

10.00am St Mary's

II.00am St Peter and St Paul's (Boxwood Cottage)

Tuesday (7th February)

10.10am All Saints School Assembly

1.30pm Coffee (cake!) and Conversation, All Saints Vestry

(discussion group using Day by Day with God Bible notes)