

THE BENEFICE OF EAST CLEVEDON

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

Trinity 18 – 8th October 2023

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Wednesday communions

10.00am St Mary's
11.00am St Peter and St Paul's

Tuesday (10th October)
10.10am All Saints School Assembly

Wednesday (11th October)
10.00am Community Coffee Morning, All Saints Vestry

Thursday (12th October)
12.30pm Little Saints, All Saints Vestry

Saturday (14th October)
10.00am Coffee at the Court, Clevedon Court
7.00pm Quiz night, St Mary's Hall

Next Sunday (15th October)
8.00am All Saints Holy Communion
10.00am St Mary's Holy Communion
10.30am All Saints Holy Communion
11.15am St Paul's Morning Prayer
5.00pm St Peter and St Paul Holy Communion

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
increase in us your gift of faith
that, forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to that which is before,
we may run the way of your commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
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 5: 1-7

Let me sing for my beloved
my love-song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.
He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watch-tower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;
he expected it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.
And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and people of Judah,
judge between me
and my vineyard.
What more was there to do for my vineyard
that I have not done in it?
When I expected it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?
And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall,

and it shall be trampled down.
I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;
I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.
For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the people of Judah
are his pleasant planting;
he expected justice,
but saw bloodshed;
righteousness,
but heard a cry!

Matthew 21: 33-end

‘Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, “They will respect my son.” But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, “This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.” So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?’ They said to him, ‘He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.’

Jesus said to them, ‘Have you never read in the scriptures:

“The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord’s doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes”?

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.’

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

IN OUR PRAYERS...

In our benefice we pray for those who are sick; Roy Guest, Angela Sutton, Denise Richardson, Robb Robinson, Shirley Logan, Sandra Robinson, Sue Betts, Corinne Matthews, Emma Armstrong.

We pray for those who have recently died; Nicholas Percy, Juliet Haynes, Edward Turner.

In our year’s mind we remember, Joan Navarra, and we pray for all who are mourning the loss of loved ones at this time.

Notices

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. Grand Draw tickets can be bought on the day or in advance. Please contact Parish Office for more information.

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

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.

SERVICE OF LIGHT’, Wednesday, 1st November at 6.00 pm All Saints’ Church

A simple service to remember any loved ones who have died either recently or in years past. There will be an opportunity to light a candle in remembrance of your loved ones and see their name in the Book of Remembrance. Simple light refreshments will be available after the service. For more information please contact the Parish Office.