

THE BENEFICE OF EAST CLEVEDON

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

St Mary's Harvest Festival – 8th October 2023

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Tuesday 10.10am	(10th October) All Saints School Assembly
Wednesday 10.00am	(11th October) Community Coffee Morning, All Saints Vestry
Thursday 12.30pm	(12th October) Little Saints, All Saints Vestry
Saturday 10.00am 7.00pm	(14th October) Coffee at the Court, Clevedon Court Quiz night, St Mary's Hall
Next Sunday 8.00am 10.00am 10.30am 11.15am 5.00pm	(15th October) All Saints Holy Communion St Mary's Holy Communion All Saints Holy Communion St Paul's Morning Prayer St Peter and Paul Holy Communion

Collect

Eternal God,
You crown the year with your goodness
And you give us the fruits of the earth in their season:
Grant that we may use them to your glory,
For the relief of those in need
And for our own well being;
Thorough Jesus Christ our Lord,
Who is alive and reigns with you,
In the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, now and for ever.

Deuteronomy 8: 7-18

For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you.

Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid waste-land with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself,

'My power and the might of my own hand have gained me this wealth.' But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

Luke 12: 16-30

Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

He said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them.

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.

Please do join us for the Bring and Share Harvest lunch in the hall at 12 noon.

Notices

The pulpit pedestal flowers are in loving memory of Colin Webb, requested by his wife Lois.

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. 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.

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.

Wednesday communions

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