THIS WEEK

Monday 9am Walking for Health Group 4pm Handbell ringing Tuesday 9.30am Morning Prayer Wednesday 10.15am Holy Communion 11am Welcome Coffee Morning Friday 7.00pm Choir practice

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Sunday 7th September 12noon Parish BBQ **Thursday 18th September** 7.30pm at St Clement's. First of 4 sessions of Bible study on the Acts of the Apostles.

Wednesday 24th September 11am Macmillan Coffee Morning.

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ST. CLEMENT'S CHURCH 27th July 2025

6th Sunday after Trinity

TODAY'S HYMNS

702 Lead us heavenly Father

696 Jesus, where'er they people meet

116 Be thou my guardian

629 Father hear the prayer we offer

676 Immortal invisible

TODAY'S READINGS

Genesis 18: 20 - 32

Colossians 2: 6 - 15[16 - 19]

Luke 11: 1 –13

THE COLLECT

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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.

Amen

THE GOSPEL

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' ² He said to them, 'When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

- ³ Give us each day our daily bread.
- ⁴ And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.' ⁵ And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶ for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." ⁷ And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my

children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." ⁸ I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

⁹ 'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹ Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹² Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

INTERCESSIONS

Please Pray for:

The Church:

Pray for our bishops David, Mark and Matthew, our archdeacon Karen and all clergy and laity working in our churches. Pray for Farnaz being baptised into the church family today.

The World:

Pray that all world leaders may be guided by the Holy Spirit to work for peace and justice for all people, especially those living in war zones. Pray that all of us will be inspired to work towards caring for the earth and limiting damage to eco systems and the climate.

The King and Government:

Pray for the health and well-being of King Charles, Queen Camilla and all members of the royal family. As Parliament enters the summer recess, pray for MPs and government ministers.

Community:

Pray for families going away on holiday, that they may find it a time of refreshment and renewal. Pray for those unable to take a holiday that they too will find opportunities for leisure and entertainment.

The Sick:

We hold in God's care all those we know who are sick, including Andrew Farnsworth, Alastair Moore, Shirley Heap, Annette Ulian, Mary Bolton, Eileen McKay, Keith Branshard, Elaine Blezard, Maureen Daly, Beryl O'Neil, Alison Griffiths, Frank Kilroy, Neil Barnes and Eddie Taylor. May they find healing in body, mind and spirit.

The Departed:

Pray for Joyce Gardner, Steven Conreen and any others known to us who have died recently and for the families and friends who grieve for them. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Anniversaries:

Alan Wharton, Bernard Bond, Barbara Hughes, George Bedford, Mary Johnson, Ellen Gee, James Walton, Florence Harrison, Jack Morrison, Doreen Howard, Annie Crofts, Mary Horrocks, Philip Whittaker, John Howells, Hilda Stanley

POST COMMUNION

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 12-14, 2: 18-23 Colossians 3: 1 – 11 Luke 12: 13 –21

ALTAR FLOWERS

Last week's flowers were donated by Marilyn for a friend who has recently died.

This week's flowers are in memory of my nephew Steven Conreen from Jules Conreen-Wood.

100 CLUB

Today is the last draw in the current 100 Club. If you want to be in next month's draw you need to pay again. A single payment of £15 gives you the chance to win one of 3 prizes - £25, £15, and £10 – each month for the next year.

See Andrea for details.