

THIS WEEK

Monday 9am Walking for Health Group
4pm Handbell ringing

Tuesday 9.30am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 10.15am Holy Communion
11am Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thursday 7.30pm **The Challenge of Acts**
Bible study at St Clement's Session 2

Friday 7pm Choir Practice.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Saturday 4th October 7pm Quiz Night with
pie and peas in the hall

Sunday 5th October Harvest Festival at both
churches, followed by auction of produce.

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ST. CLEMENT'S CHURCH

21st September 2025

14th Sunday after Trinity

TODAY'S HYMNS

593 At the name of Jesus
784 Stand up, stand up for Jesus
664 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
562 Inspired by love and anger
265 There's a Spirit in the air

TODAY'S READINGS

Amos 8: 4 – 7
1 Timothy 2: 1 – 7
Luke 16: 1 – 13

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened
for us a new and living way into your
presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast
wills to worship you in spirit and in truth;
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

16 Then Jesus¹ said to the disciples, 'There
was a rich man who had a manager, and
charges were brought to him that this man
was squandering his property. ²So he
summoned him and said to him, "What is this
that I hear about you? Give me an account of
your management, because you cannot be my
manager any longer." ³Then the manager
said to himself, "What will I do, now that my
master is taking the position away from me?
I am not strong enough to dig, and I am
ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do
so that, when I am dismissed as manager,
people may welcome me into their homes."
⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by
one, he asked the first, "How much do you
owe my master?" ⁶He answered, "A hundred
jugs of olive oil." He said to him, "Take your
bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty." ⁷Then
he asked another, "And how much do you
owe?" He replied, "A hundred containers of

wheat.” He said to him, “Take your bill and make it eighty.” ⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.’

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 our parishes of St Clement’s and St Mary’s and for all who visit our churches for worship, fellowship or social activities.

The World:

Give thanks for the wonderful world which God has created. Pray that we will all remember that He made us stewards of his creation and thus we have a duty to protect the earth and all that is in it.

The King and Government:

Pray for the health and well-being of King Charles, Queen Camilla and all members of the royal family. Pray for all those with political power and influence that they may act with integrity and for the benefit of all.

Community:

Pray for voluntary organisations and charities working in our community, and all the people who give their time, skills and experience to support people in need and to enhance our town and surroundings.

The Sick:

We hold in God’s care all those we know who are sick, including Alastair Moore, Shirley Heap, Annette Ulian, Mary Bolton, Eileen McKay, Keith Branshard, Elaine Blezzard, Beryl O’Neil, Alison Griffiths, Frank Kilroy, Eddie Taylor, Hilary Arnold, Christopher Brown and Shannon Sweeting. May they find healing in body, mind and spirit.

The Departed:

Pray for any 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:

Fanny Calderbank, Dorothy Dadswell, Beryl Bazley, Thomas Rhodes, Alice Rogerson, Doreen Grice, Lily Richardson, Fred Mellor, Elsie Fildes, George Dawson, Lancelot Hilton, May Smith, William Maher, Francis Cokayne, Irene Jones, John Buckley, Carol Williams.

POST COMMUNION

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

NEXT WEEK’S READINGS

Amos 6: 1a,4 – 7

1 Timothy 6: 6 – 19

Luke 16: 19 –end

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today’s flowers have been donated by Margaret Hilton in loving memory of her Mum.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Our annual coffee morning in aid of this very worthwhile charity will be on

Wednesday, 24th September from 11am.

As well as tea and coffee there will be lots of lovely cakes for sale to eat at the time or take home for later. Donations of cakes very welcome.