

THIS WEEK

Monday: 9.45am - Walking for Health Group
4pm Handbell ringing
Tuesday: 9.30am - Morning Prayer
6pm – Brownies meet in the Parish Hall
Wednesday: 10.15am - Holy Communion
11am – Macmillan Coffee Morning
Friday 7pm Choir practice

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 1st October 7pm Bible Study –
'The Vision of Ephesians' at St Clement's
Saturday 3rd October 10am Working party
for the church, hall and curacy house.
Sunday 4th October Harvest Festival

**The auction which had been advertised
for 3rd October has been cancelled.**

ALTAR FLOWERS

This week's flowers have been donated by
Andrea, Daniel and Rachel in loving memory
of Stan Hill.

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ST. CLEMENT'S PEWSHEET

20th September 2026
16th Sunday after Trinity

TODAY'S HYMNS

453 Lord enthroned in heavenly splendour
629 Father hear the prayer we offer
676 Immortal invisible
785 Such love
394 Tell out my soul

TODAY'S READINGS

Jonah 3.10- 4.end
Philippians 1: 21-end
Matthew 20: 1-16

THE COLLECT

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear
the prayers of your people who call upon
you; and grant that they may both perceive
and know what things they ought to do, and
also may have grace and power faithfully to
fulfil them; 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 said 'For the kingdom of heaven is like
a landowner who went out early in the
morning to hire labourers for his vineyard.
² After agreeing with the labourers for the
usual daily wage, he sent them into his
vineyard. ³ When he went out about nine
o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the
market-place; ⁴ and he said to them, "You
also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you
whatever is right." So they went. ⁵ When he
went out again about noon and about three
o'clock, he did the same. ⁶ And about five
o'clock he went out and found others
standing around; and he said to them, "Why
are you standing here idle all day?" ⁷ They
said to him, "Because no one has hired us."
He said to them, "You also go into the
vineyard." ⁸ When evening came, the owner
of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the
labourers and give them their pay, beginning
with the last and then going to the first."
⁹ When those hired about five o'clock came,
each of them received the usual daily wage.

¹⁰ Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹ And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹² saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." ¹³ But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage?" ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

INTERCESSIONS

The Church:

Pray for our bishops David, Mark and Matthew, archdeacon Karen and area dean Peter. Pray for our parishes of St Clement and St Mary, for our congregations and for people outside our church community who are looking for faith and meaning in their lives.

The World:

Pray for people living with the adverse effects of climate change, those whose crops have failed, those whose homes have been lost in fire or flood, and all who are dealing with excessive heat or cold. Pray that all nations will work together to reduce the damage that our actions cause to creation.

The King and Government:

Pray for King Charles, Queen Camilla and all the royal family. Pray for the government and MPs, and local authorities that policy makers will be guided by wisdom, justice and compassion for all.

Community:

Pray for the children and young people in our community, that they will know that they are loved and valued. Give thanks for the work of teachers, youth workers and all who mentor and support the young.

The Sick:

We hold in God's care all those we know who are sick, including Alastair Moore, Eileen McKay, Elaine Blezzard, Beryl O'Neil, Alison Griffiths, Emma Coulson, Michael

Looby, Melinda Jones, Chris Jones, Karen Barlow, Gwen Welsh and Debbie Jones. May they find healing in body, mind and spirit.

The Departed:

Pray for Sandra Godwin, Elaine Cartwright, Sandra Graham and all who have died recently and for the families and friends who grieve for them. May all who have gone before us rest in peace and rise in glory.

Anniversaries:

Jack Royals, Muriel Clarke, 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.

POST COMMUNION

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Ezekiel 18: 1-4, 25-end

Philippians 2: 1-13

Matthew 21: 23-32

Autumn Bible Study Series The Vision of Ephesians

An opportunity to explore St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians together, based on a book called 'The Vision of Ephesians' by Tom Wright. It will deepen and broaden your understanding of one of the most profound texts in the New Testament, while prompting a deeper awareness of your role within the new humanity that God is creating in Jesus.

The sessions will run on 1, 8, 15 & 22
October at 7pm.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

This Wednesday from 11am. Come and join us for a chat, a cuppa and a cake (to eat here or take home for later). Please support this worthwhile cause which helps so many of us in the difficult times of our life.