

Bible Readings

First Reading

Jeremiah 18. 1-11

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: 'Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words.' So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Blessed Thought

"There can no serious hurt happen to me,
For even though I slip from God's right hand,
I can but fall into His left"

(Heinrich Suso Waldeck, poet and priest)

Gospel Reading

Luke 14. 25-33

Now large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, 'Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish." Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

Second Reading

Philemon 1-21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, to Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

St Michael's Roof Appeal

Thank you very much for your generous support of this project. We are extremely grateful for all donations received so far to help save the special ceiling in St Michael's Church.

If you would like more information or would like to donate further, please contact the Church Office or look on the parish website for photos and an application form.

Collect for Today

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray
and to give more than either we desire or deserve:
Pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid
and giving us those good things
which we are not worthy to ask
but through the merits and mediation
of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

What's On



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Our Vision for the Parish of Three Saints

Our desire is to deepen our spiritual awareness and relationship with God so that we can serve our communities more effectively as His hands and feet, and also to develop our sacred spaces to make them welcoming, flexible and suited to the broad ranging needs of our communities.

(Taken from The Parish Profile 2018)

Churches Together

A Festival of FLOWERS AND QUILTS



12th -14th September 2019

Thursday 12th, Friday 13th: 10.00 a.m. - 5.0 p.m.
Saturday 14th: 10.00 a.m. 4.30 p.m.

Free admission.

Refreshments. Good car parking.

OUR LADY AND THE ENGLISH MARTYRS

HIGHBRIDGE ROAD,
BURNHAM - ON - SEA ,TA8 1LL

The All-Sorts Community Choir

Will be meeting up again after the summer break

- On Thursday 12th September
- From 7.30pm – 9.30pm
- At St Mary's Church, East Brent.

Everyone is welcome!
£3 per session

We are "all sorts" of ages, abilities and backgrounds, but what we all have in common is a love of singing.

We are a friendly, relaxed choir, who are always looking to welcome new people.

Please come along on 12th September or ring Sue Toon (01278 760753) for more details.

We look forward to seeing you.



Please note.
For this week only, 12th Sep, Choir will meet at 7.45pm. Thereafter we will meet at the normal time of 7.30pm.

Building work at St Christopher's

Scaffolding will be going up around the church from 16th September 2019 to carry out essential repairs to the nave roof.

The work will then take 4-6 weeks, depending on what they find underneath.

While all safety considerations have been made, please exercise due care around the churchyard.

Inside there will be dust sheets over the pews on the south side of the nave and organ. Please keep away from this area.

Services will continue as normal and access to the church will be unaffected.

Next Sunday

Café Style Church

35 mins of informal,
interactive praise and
worship

At 4pm
on Sunday 15th Sep
in St Mary's,
East Brent.

Refreshments from 3.30pm.



COM-FOR-TEA

Comfort Group

At times we all need a bit of

Compassion,

and a place to be as Open with others as we feel able.

To Meet to share worries, fears, joys
and triumphs. To build Friendships and beat loneliness.

An Opportunity to be ourselves

With Refreshments

and a cup of Tea in a safe, homely space,
where confidentiality and privacy will be respected.

Open to Everyone:

male or female, old or young, whether you go to church or
not, whether you have a faith or have none.

We meet at 2pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month,
starting from 19th September.



For further information, or to request a lift, contact:

Dot tel. 01278 760600 or

Anthony tel. 07701 081077 or

Email lpacare.tpots@gmail.co.uk

Supported by The Parish of Three Saints (TPOTS),
St Mary's, East Brent; St Christopher's, Lympsham;
St Michael's, Brent Knoll.



We are currently very short of the following -

- Tins of Meat
- Toilet Rolls
- Dog Food
- Nappies (size 4)
- Toiletries

Donations can be dropped on a Tuesday or
Saturday morning at the Methodist Church,
College Street, Burnham On Sea TA8 1AS

or in the foodbank collection box in any of our
three churches in TPOTS.

Thank you for your continued support.

Gluten-free wafers are available for communion. Please speak to a Steward or Churchwarden before the service.

**Blessed are you, Lord God of all Creation; through your godness we have this money to offer
..... to do your work in the world.**

During our worship an offering will be collected. If you wish to join with our offering there is a yellow envelope nearby for your contribution or you can, of course, simply add your donation to the bag that will be passed along the pew during our offertory hymn. Many of our Church Family make a regular contribution to the running and work of the Parish by Standing Order. If this is something you would like to find out more about, please see one of the Stewards or a Churchwarden.