Diary for this week 14th - 19th October

Mon 3.30pm Learner Bell Ringers practice

7.15pm Ladies' Group in Church House

Tues 9.00am Morning Prayer at St Bridget's

10.30-4.30pm The Meeting Point in The Parish

Hall (Yoga 11.00, Lunch 1.00pm)

Weds 9.30am Bible study on Zoom

3.30pm Children's choir in Church House

6.45pm Bell Ringers practice

7.00pm Bridge Club in Church House

Thurs 9.00am-12.00pm Pupil Chaplains Training Session

in Church House

7.30pm Prayer for the Vacancy on Zoom

Fri 9.30am St Andrew's Art Group in Church House

12.30pm Thanksgiving service for the life

Elizabeth Ridge at St Bridget's

6.40pm Choir practice

Sat 10.30am-4.00pm Private booking in Ch House

There is also Morning Prayer on Zoom Mon and Thurs each week – see email or contact the office for the link.

Next Sunday: 20th October (21st Sunday after Trinity)

9.15am Morning Prayer St Bridget's

10.45am Informal Worship with Communion

Church House

5.00pm Evensong St Andrew's

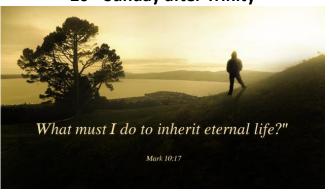
Giving to St Andrew's or St Bridget's To support our churches the easiest way is through bank transfer to Backwell PCC: sort code 60-14-49 account No. 41004027 (alternatively, try the contactless station); to Backwell PCC Missions & Charities: Sort code 60-14-49; Account no. 41004035; quoting "Sisters"; to St Bridget's to Chelvey PCC: Sort Code 60-14-49 account No. 05021715.

The Sisters' Harvest Appeal It's the time of year for The Sisters' annual Harvest Appeal & they would be grateful for any donations of tinned/dried food, nappies & toiletries. Donations can be left in the box in the link Alternatively you can make a financial donation – see the notice in the porch for more information. Thank you to everyone who donated at the Harvest service last week.

Autumn Fair at St Bridget's Saturday and Sunday 26th & 27th October 10-4pm. Refreshments, raffle, free admission. Range of local artists and craft people will be selling ceramics, pottery, knitwear, pictures, prints, cards, glass and basket work. Country Markets will be selling baked goods and preserves.

Welcome to The Benefice of Backwell and Chelvey with Brockley

13th October 2024 20th Sunday after Trinity



Welcome to our services today

9.00am Little Lambs Baby & Toddler Grp Church House

9.15am Morning Worship St Bridget's

Hymns: 2, 565, 427, 598

10.45am Sung Eucharist St Andrew's

Hymns: NEH 271, NHWS 228, 64, 17, NEH 445

Anthem: God of my life (Barnard)

Coffee will be served after the 10.45am service. We will be streaming the 10.45am service on our YouTube channel: https://youtube.com/live/DSWmMQY8A8U

Services and prayer during the week

Morning Prayer 9am Mon & Thurs on Zoom; also Tues at St Bridget's in person.

General Information...

St Andrew's and St Bridget's with St Nicholas'

https://www.backwellchelveybenefice.org.uk/ http://www.stbridgetschelvey.co.uk/

Rector

Vacancy – contact the Benefice Office (details below)

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Please submit any notices for the weekly sheet by 9.30am on Thursdays.

Collect and Readings...

Collect for the Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

God, our light and our salvation: illuminate our lives, that we may see your goodness in the land of the living, and looking on your beauty may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Readings for this week...

Hebrews 4.12-end Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Mark 10.17-31 As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, 'Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: "You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother."' He said to him, 'Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.' Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, 'You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!' And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, 'Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.' They were greatly astounded and said to one another, 'Then who can be saved?' Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.' Peter began to say to him, 'Look, we have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.'

For your prayers this week...

In the Anglican Communion: We pray for The Episcopal Church in the Philippines

Zambia: We pray for our link church of St Andrew's, Ndola North and for their school building project. **In this Diocese:** Lord of life, as we remember King Edward the Confessor, we pray for King Charles and all who lead our nations, that they may confess the faith and work for the common good of all your people.

In the Deanery: We pray for the Parish of Portishead, & for Revd Rob Eastwood-Dewing and the ministry team Oct/Nov/Dec charity: The Sisters of the Church October Prayer Cycle: The Croft, Ladymeade, Chelsfield, Combe Side, Waverley Road, Station Close

Church Groups: During October we pray for our branch of Mothers' Union, and their support for families.

October Baptism Anniversaries: Caspar Backwell Junior School: We pray for our Pupil Chaplains, all Year classes, their teachers and classroom assistants. Those who are sick or in need: Becky Jones, Estelle Wong, Jess Wong, Ed Hewitt, Grace Myahalaleel, Barbara Harland, Jenny Webb, Mike & Carol, Brenda Cooke, Lucy Goodland, Julian Barnett, Jane Hepburn, Alan, Judith Brown.

Those who we keep in our prayers: Sue Ashman, Zofia Matyjasik, Maureen Barnett, Vicky Dunscombe Those who have died: Vivian Scott, Elizabeth Ridge Anniversary of death: Ronald Salisbury

Contemporary Ethics Forum The next in this series run by St Peter's Portishead (and on-line) is being held on Monday 14th October at 7.00pm. No tickets required. See the poster in St Andrew's or with the weekly e-mail.

National Week of Prayer 12th – 20th October. CARE hosts a special prayer Zoom Monday 14th October at 12.00pm as part of this nationwide call to prayer. Sign up for this event at https://care.org.uk/events

Growing Good workshop Saturday 2nd November 10.00am to 1.00pm in Flourish House, Wells. The workshop will explore the Growing Good Toolkit and offer practical tips on hospitality. Contact Martin if you plan to attend (for lift sharing).

Somerset International Festival of the Arts Simon & Liv would like to thank all those who helped at the Somerset International Festival of the Arts last weekend for the wonderful support and work undertaken throughout the festival. The weekend was a great success and they look forward to returning again next year.