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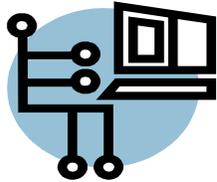
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Office Opening hours this week:

Tuesday - Friday

9am - 3pm

(closed for lunch between 1 & 2pm)

Please check church websites for updates:

St John's: stjohns-glastonbury.uk

St Ben's: www.stbens.ukpc.net

St Mary's, Meare: is.gd/stmarymeare



Join in with the Church of England's Services
of Daily Prayer at:

[churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/
join-us-service-daily-prayer](http://churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer)

**A prayer for all those affected by
Coronavirus**

God of compassion,
be close to those who are ill,
afraid or in isolation.

In their loneliness, be their consolation;
in their anxiety, be their hope;
in their darkness, be their light;
through him who suffered alone on the cross,
but reigns with you in glory,
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



Please keep the following people & their families in
your prayers:

Amber
Liz Affleck-Edwards
Diana Asbridge
Neill Bonham
John Brunson
Fr. Robert Featherstone
Joan Green
Bishop Peter Hancock
Michael MacGeoch
Valerie Moreton
Rick Pudner
Sylvia Ray
Sister Liz Rees
Jean Rooney
Bonnie Tillbrook
Jenny Townhill
Rosemary Turnbull
Jodi Wall
Elizabeth Wallace-Dunlop
Brian & Freda Williams

*Please also hold Michele Kitto in your prayers as she is
Ordained Deacon on Saturday 26th September.*

RIP Kathleen Collett
Larry Schenck
John Wynn



Welcome to the Benefice of Glastonbury with Meare

Sunday 13th September 2020

The Fourteenth Sunday After Trinity

10am: Holy Communion
in St John's Church

11.15am: Morning Worship
in St Mary's Church, Meare

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

Romans 14: 1-12

Do Not Judge Another

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.'

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Matthew 18: 21-35

Forgiveness

Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.'

The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant

'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'



Notices:

Nick thanks everyone for their prayers over the last few weeks and is almost fully recovered. Many thanks. **Barbara & Nick Reade**

The Mary & Margaret Charity AGM is to be held on:



**Thursday 17th September
At 7pm**

via Zoom. If you would like to attend, please email Liz Pearson at: liz_pearson@btinternet.com and the link will be sent to you.

Thank you. **Liz Pearson**

Diary:

Tuesday 15th September:

9am: Morning Prayer, St John's

10am-12noon: St John's Church open

Wednesday 16th September:

11am: Staff meeting (Via Zoom)

Thursday 17th September:

9am: Morning Prayer, St John's

10am-12noon: St John's Church open

12noon: Funeral for Kathleen Collett,
Yeovil Crematorium

7pm: St Margaret's Chapel AGM

Saturday 19th September:

10am - 12noon:

St Ben's Church open