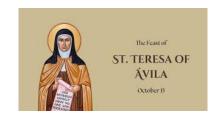


19th October 2025

We extend a warm welcome to Rev David Musgrave, and to our members, friends and visitors



For meditation:

Grant us, O Lord, purity of heart and strength of purpose, that no passion may hinder us from knowing your will and no weakness from doing it. In your light we may see light clearly, and in your service find perfect freedom; through Christ our Lord.

St Augustine of Hippo (354 – 430)

NEWS AND VIEWS

This week gone by brought on Wednesday 15th October St Teresa's Day. She was born in Avila in Spain in 1515 into a well-to-do noble family. When she was about 20 she became a nun of the Carmelite order. She found the convent life difficult but she persevered and gradually grew in her spiritual life. With encouragement of others she founded her own convent of St Joseph. She travelled widely throughout Spain and founded 17 other convents and also worked with St John of the Cross to found convents of friars. She combined a deep spirituality with practical wisdom and common sense. Her writings have helped many and in 1970 Pope Paul V1 named her as a Doctor of the Church, the first woman to be so honoured

FOR PRAYER

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and formed us in your own image. Teach us to discern your hand in all your works, and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who reigns, with you and the Holy Spirit, supreme over all creation, now and for ever. We remember in prayer today the congregations at Keynsham Victoria and Oueens Road.

LECTIONARY READINGS – 26 October

Joel 2: 23 -32

2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18

Psalm 65

Luke 18: 9 -14

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

I, the Lord, say that the time is coming when I will fill the land of Israel and Judah with people and animals. And just as I took care to uproot, to pull down, to overthrow, to destroy and to demolish them, so I will take care to plant them and to build them up..... The time is coming when I will make a new covenant with the people of Judah. It will not be like the old covenant that I made with their ancestors.... The new covenant that I will make with the people of Israel will be this: I will put my law within them and write it on their hearts. I will be their God and they will be my people.

Jeremiah 31: 27-28, 31, 33

DIARY

Thursday 23rd October

<u>Café</u> 9.30 – 12 noon

All welcome

Sunday 26th October

Morning worship 11.00am a lay led service continuing our Sacred Spaces theme. Teresa will lead us.

The Lord God said:

I myself will dream a dream within you.
Good dreams come from me, you know;
My dreams seem impossible, not too practical,
Not for the cautious man or woman;

A little risky sometimes, a trifle brash perhaps; Some of my friends prefer to rest comfortably in sounder sleep with visionless eye.

But for those who share my dreams I ask a little patience, a little humour, some small courage, And a listening heart – I will do the rest. Then they will risk and wonder at their daring,

Run and marvel at their speed,

Duild and stand in avec at the beauty of their

Build and stand in awe at the beauty of their building.

You will meet me often as you work –
In your companions who share your risk,
In your friends who believe in you enough
To lend their own dreams, their own hands, their own hearts to your building.

In the people who will find your doorway, stay awhile, and walk away knowing that they too can find a dream.

There will be sun-filled days and sometimes it will rain –

A little variety....

Both come from Me – so come, be content;

It is my dream you dream,

It is my house your build,

My caring you witness,

My love your share – and this is the heart of the matter.

Source unknown

Belief is a truth held in the mind. Faith is a fire in the heart.

Joseph Newton