



St John the Evangelist

Newsletter

SUNDAY 30 JUNE 2024

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY, TRINITY 6

If you wish to contribute to the next edition of the newsletter, please email office@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk marking your email 'Newsletter Article' by **12 noon Thursdays weekly**.

Church Services (also on-line)

Saturday 6 July

10.00 Walsingham Cell Mass at St John's

Sunday 7 July – Fourteenth Sunday, Trinity 6

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer and Benediction

Monday 8 July

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Tuesday 9 July

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare

Wednesday 10 July

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Thursday 11 July – St Benedict

12.30 Mass - Fr Brendan Clover

Friday 12 July

10.00 BCP Mass– Fr Brendan Clover

Saturday 13 July

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston super Mare

Sunday 14 July – Fifteenth Sunday, Trinity 7

10.30 Solemn Mass – Rt Rvd Michael Tavinor

17.30 Evening Prayer

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

Ezekiel 2:2-5 (Reader: Jane)

Ps 122

R: Our eyes are on the Lord till he show us his mercy

2 Corinthians 12:7-10 (Reader: Judith)

St Mark 6:1-6

Intercessor – Martin



Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear friends,

I write this before I set out to vote. Politics has been dominating the headlines. But I've got a confession to make. I've been scrolling past these headlines on the hunt for topics that are more up my street.

I'm speaking to myself when I say it's important to return to the fundamentals. Whether you have loved the election coverage or not, it's a privilege and a responsibility to have the right to vote. As followers of Jesus, it's a way in which we join in his redemptive work, pursuing a means of governance that reflects his kingdom values and enables the flourishing of those around us. And that means we need to get informed, thinking wisely and prayerfully about which issues and policies will direct our votes. What God cares about is what we should care about. And his priorities transcend left-versus-right party politics. He commanded humankind to 'work' and 'take care' of the land (Genesis 2:15), to 'administer true justice', 'show mercy and compassion', and to 'not oppress the widow, the fatherless, the foreigner, or the poor' (Zechariah 7:9-10).

I know I need to think about these issues. Which policies will best align with God's pattern for human flourishing by celebrating good, punishing evil, pursuing peace, and protecting the oppressed? And which leaders would we be wise to submit to? Because ultimately, unless it directly contradicts biblical commands, we're called to obey and honour human governance (Romans 13:1-2).

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Once the new government is in place let every conversation be seasoned with grace. Let's avoid tribalism. Let's be open to hearing other perspectives. Because, under Christ's rule, there's no place for militant arguments with your friends and family or political slurs in the office. Finally, join me in praying for the new government: for wisdom in decision-making, for stability in our land, for good and honest governance with integrity, and policies that enable the flourishing of all.

Ever, and with love and prayers,
Fr Brendan

PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

Saturday 6 July	Thomas More and John Fisher – reformation martyrs. All around our world who are persecuted for their faith. Our blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of Walsingham and Our Lady of Itati in Argentina
Sunday 7 July	Our Church and parish and the residents of Kennaway Road and Baytree Road
Monday 8 July	The Air Ambulance, its pilots, medical staff and fundraisers on their behalf
Tuesday 9 July	Pupils at our school, their teachers, parents and guardians and all looking forward to the summer recess
Wednesday 10 July	The care homes in our parish, Elm View and Poets Mews, their residents and carers
Thursday 11 July	St Benedict of Nursia in Italy who founded the Benedictine order and was the founder of the monastery at Monte Cassino. He was the founder of western monasticism.
Friday 12 July	Anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne. We pray for peace amongst the various denominations in Ireland
Saturday 13 July	Our blessed Virgin Mary and her shrine in Walsingham. We pray for all the staff there, particularly Fr Graeme Rowlands, the interim priest administrator in his ministry to the pilgrims.
Sunday 14 July	Our Church and parish and the residents of Elm Tree Road, Orchard Road, The Paddock and Knightstone Court

MASS TIMES

Below are the Mass times for St John's.



Sunday – 10.30 am
Monday – 6.00 pm
Wednesday – 6.00 pm
Thursday – 12.30 pm
Friday – 10.00 (Book of Common Prayer)

On Tuesdays at 10.00 am and Saturdays at 10.00 am
Mass will be said at All Saints, Weston Super Mare, BS23 2NL

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 6 July	THIS WEEK! 14.00 – 16.00 – Summer Fayre
Saturday 13 July	Glastonbury Pilgrimage
Sunday 28 July	Celebration Sunday
Sunday 1 September	Parish BBQ
Sunday 8 September	Celebration Sunday – Education Day/King's Accession
Sunday 13 October	Harvest Festival
Saturday 16 November	Murder Mystery Evening with fish and chip supper
Sunday 24 November	Celebration Sunday – Christ the King



VOLUNTEERS PLEASE!

If you would like to take one of the Communion elements to the altar during the offertory hymn, please let one of the sidespeople know when you come into Church on Sunday morning.

Wells Cathedral Parish Pass

You may have seen in the news, that Wells Cathedral has announced changes to its admission guidelines with free passes for parishioners in the Diocese of Bath and Wells and local people, and a new entry charge for tourists.

Entry remains free to enter for worship, prayer, and to light a candle and free passes are available for parishioners in the diocese. Information about the Parish Pass and how to apply for it is available from the Wells passes section of the Wells Cathedral website. You will note that the application form for a Parish Pass does require a signature from a churchwarden or incumbent.

Sick List

If you need to let the clergy know of anyone who is unwell and/or is needing pastoral care, please email office@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk or mention this to Betty, our Sickness Point of Contact (SPOC), after the service outside of the church building. Any requests will be passed on to Fr Brendan and names will be added to the sick list.

Website

The website address is www.stjohns-clevedon.org.uk/
The website is a dynamic tool, full of information, photo galleries and other facts about our Church and the people in it. Please send any comments or ideas to Fr Brendan

St John's 100 Club

The 100 club is an easy way you can help raise money for St. Johns. It only costs £12 per year (equivalent to £1 / month) and you will be entered into a drawer every month with a chance to win a prize. Over the last 15 years the 100 club, has raised over £12,000 for the church and has paid out almost £8,000 in prizes. Providing we have more than 80* people join we will pay out £40 in prizes each month and any profit over £510 will be paid to the Church but there is no upper limit, the more the merrier and the more money that will be raised for the church.

The three prizes are:

- 1 st Prize - £25
- 2 nd Prize - £10
- 3 rd Prize - £5

*If there are less than 80 members, there will be no 3rd prize.

If you join the Club, please contact any of the organisers to enquire about joining, application forms can be located at the back of the church on the leaflet table. Talk to any of us in church or by emailing using one of the email addresses below.

Fiona Dixon fional.dixon@btopenworld.com
Angela Edgar pcctreasurer@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk
Nicola Coaker churchwarden@st-johns-celvedon.org.uk

There are spare numbers available to buy. Please contact one of the organisers Details above.

For those technically minded, here is the QR code for our online giving. Simply scan the code with your smartphone QR scanner and be magically directed to our 'givealittle' page.



If you need to contact a Churchwarden please contact Dilwen Miller or Gary Lewis.

Dilwen can be emailed at churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk

Gary's email address is churchwarden2@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk

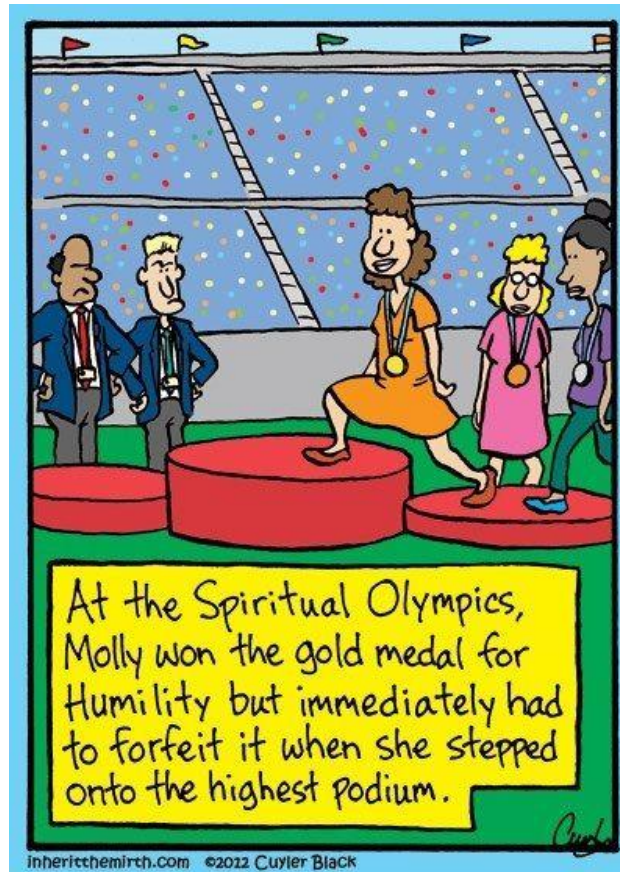
If you have any safeguarding questions or issues, please email parishsafeguardingofficer@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk



The Vicarage telephone number is 01275 879617

Please follow us on our website at: www.stjohns-clevedon.org.uk/ or at www.achurchnearyou.com/church/11185/ or on YouTube 'St John's Clevedon' or on Facebook: St John the Evangelist Church, Clevedon or join our WhatsApp group.

The postal address for St John the Evangelist Church is
Queens Road, Clevedon, North Somerset, BS21 7TH



Chat and Craft Group

continues to meet every Thursday afternoon in the Church Hall between 2 and 4pm. Bring your own project along to work on, and chat to fellow crafters. A drink and biscuits will be available. For more information, talk to Sue at church or ring on 01275 877710.



Fund Raise as You Shop

We have registered St John's with easy fundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 4,000 shops and sites will donate to us when you use easy fundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself!

Although you may only raise a few pence with every purchase, these donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stjohntheevangelistclevedon/>

The Evangelist Gin

Our fund-raising gin is now ready to buy!

Developed in conjunction with The Clevedon Distillery, made and bottled for
St John the Evangelist Church.

Available to buy from The Clevedon Distillery, Market Hall, 5 Alexandra Road, Clevedon.



The Evangelist Gin, 50cl £31.00

A contemporary gin, inspired by the wild landscape of Patmos, Greece, abode of St. John the Evangelist. Locally foraged fig leaves and bay (from the grounds of the church itself) give a verdant note to this gin. Soaked in fresh lemon peel, it makes for an easy to drink G&T or enjoyed neat with plenty of ice.

THE BACK PEW - JEFF LARSON



Numbers 28:7 Offer 1 quart of wine with each lamb. Louis the Lamb survived these times of offerings by regularly outwitting his owner.

On-line Giving

Here is the link to our on line facility:
<https://givealittle.co/campaigns/b8e3af98-2c05-4dfb-bd27-570f15c91a21> This link has been added to our Website, our Church Near You page and all our YouTube and other online offerings including social media. Please feel free to share it with all your friends to help with the ongoing good work of our Parish and the exciting outreach plans for our near future (not to mention the maintenance of our beautiful building and Hall!!!) The QR code appears further on in this newsletter.

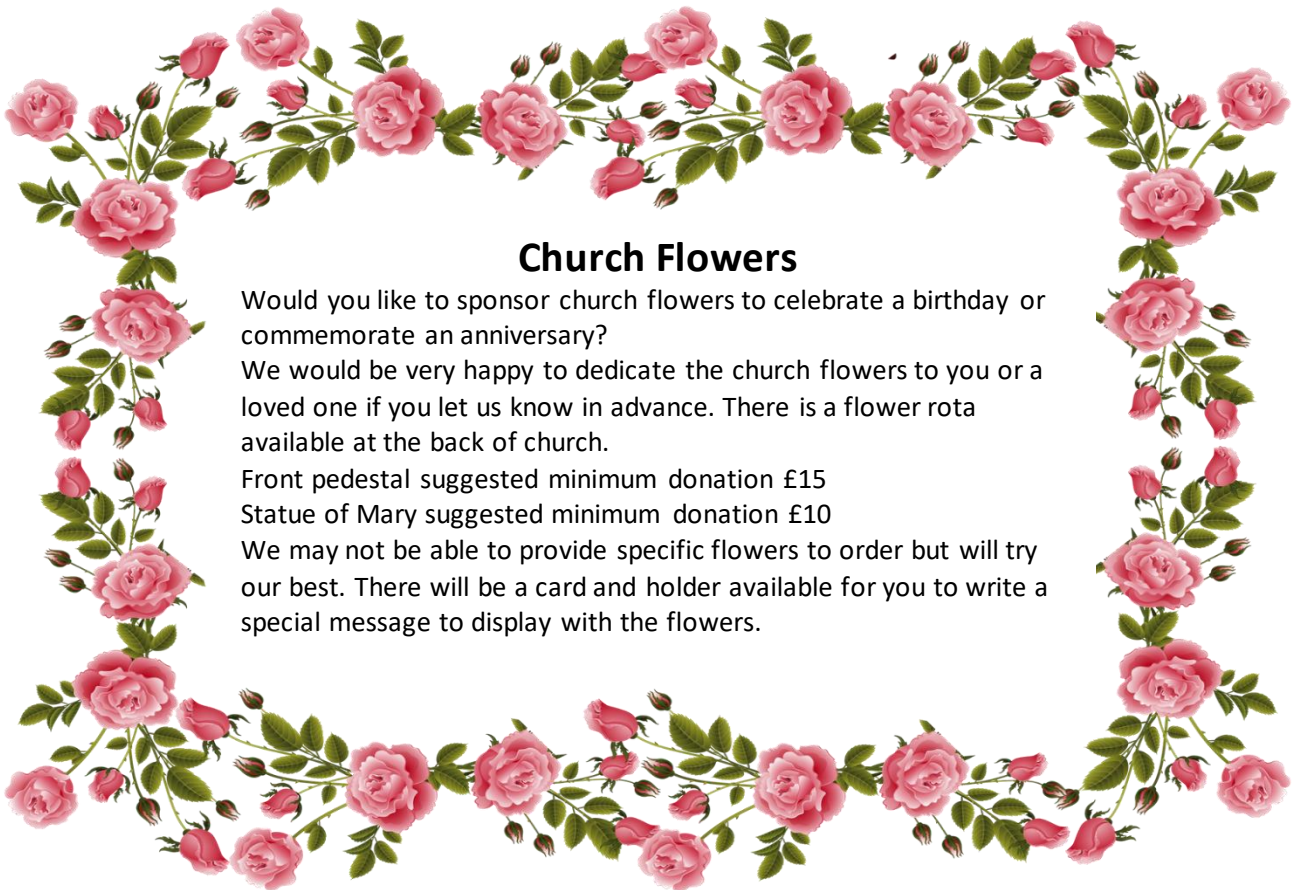
Do you have any pearls of wisdom which could be used in the newsletter? They don't need to be religious; perhaps a special gardening tip, favourite recipe or an interesting story you'd like to share with your Church family. You can even remain anonymous if you wish. If so, please speak to Dilwen or Gary or email office@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk

Church Flowers

We have a talented and willing group of flower arrangers who work hard to ensure that there are beautiful flowers in church each week to enhance and complement our worship. We are very thankful that members of the congregation are willing to support us by sponsoring flowers for special occasions and memorials.

With the cost of flowers increasing, we want to ensure that sponsored flowers are as good as we can make them and ask that there is a minimum donation of £15.00 for the main pedestal and £10.00 for the flowers next to Our Lady. Please speak to Sarah if this is a problem but if you would still like to have flowers dedicated to a loved one.

We are happy to write a card to accompany the flowers so that we can all celebrate with you during our daily services.



Church Flowers

Would you like to sponsor church flowers to celebrate a birthday or commemorate an anniversary?

We would be very happy to dedicate the church flowers to you or a loved one if you let us know in advance. There is a flower rota available at the back of church.

Front pedestal suggested minimum donation £15

Statue of Mary suggested minimum donation £10

We may not be able to provide specific flowers to order but will try our best. There will be a card and holder available for you to write a special message to display with the flowers.



Celia Quiz !!

1. In Acts how many Deacons did the disciples choose to distribute food to widows?
2. The world's first emergency phone number - 999 - was established in London in which decade?
3. Which river flows through Leeds?
4. Who wrote the novel Black Beauty?
5. Sir John de Cleveland built which local house in 1320?
6. Who published the first English text of the New Testament in the 1520s?
7. Which song bird nests on the ground and sings in flight?
8. Which 17th century composer wrote six operas, sonatas, minuets, voluntaries and marches?
9. Where is England's longest leisure pier?
10. How many monarchs has England had of the House of Windsor?
11. Which waterway links the Atlantic and Pacific oceans?
12. Against which country will England be playing cricket Tests this summer?
13. In money slang how much is a monkey?
14. Where in Somerset would you go for your health in the 17th century?
15. Which is the largest living rodent?
16. Which TV programme has included Lingerie Week?

Gordon's Posers

a: First man after Bobby the footballer; b: Cross here to go a' courting; c: Not St. John's location but near an old workplace



moonlight memory walk



Walk in *memory* of your loved one

Walk in the beautiful surroundings of Salthouse Fields and Clevedon Pier for an uplifting evening while supporting families with every step

Saturday 5 October 2024

Register today www.chsw.org.uk/moonlight

