



St John the Evangelist Newsletter



SUNDAY 14 APRIL 2024

EASTER 3

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 13 April

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston super Mare

Sunday 14 April – Easter 3

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Robert Ward

NO EVENING PRAYER

Monday 15 April

NO MASS

Tuesday 16 April

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare

Wednesday 17 April

NO MASS

Thursday 18 April

12.30 Mass - Fr Robert Ward

Friday 19 April

10.00 Mass from the Book of Common Prayer –
Revd Prebendary John Andrewes

Saturday 20 April

10.00 Walsingham Cell Mass at All Saints, Weston

Sunday 21 April – Easter 4

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer

Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear friends,

Firstly, this week, an encouragement to attend, or at least to hold in your prayers, our Bishop Paul, who will be welcomed into his role as an Assistant Bishop in the Diocese, at Evensong in the Cathedral Church of St Andrew on Sunday 14 April at 3pm. I know some of us are intending to be there. Because of this there will not be Evening Prayer at St John's at 5.30pm.

Next week I am taking my post-Easter holiday from Monday to Friday inclusive. I am grateful to Frs. Robert and John for covering the Thursday and Friday Masses. The Monday and Wednesday evening Masses will not happen in my absence. This Sunday we have the APCM at All Saints Weston-Super-Mare and I am grateful to Fr Robert for celebrating and preaching. We also have a visiting organist with us for the first time, Martin Firth, with whom I worked many years ago in my Bristol Cathedral days. Do please make him welcome! Sunday's gospel is set in the evening of Easter Sunday. The two disciples journeying to Emmaus have now hurried back to Jerusalem and report to the community of disciples that they recognized the Risen Lord 'in the breaking of bread'. Then suddenly Jesus himself is in their midst. The same person it is stressed – 'It is I indeed'. Now no longer bound by space and time but Lord of all space and all time. 'The Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end', as we proclaim at the consecration of the Paschal Candle at the Easter Vigil. A bodily presence, not a ghostly one: he eats food with them and invites them to touch him. And yet there is no expectation of his returning to his earthly public ministry. It is taken that he has moved into a new sphere of existence. There is both continuity and yet radical newness.

We tend to talk about the Resurrection, but this is misleading shorthand for the Resurrection of Jesus of
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The Mass readings for this Sunday:

Acts 3:13-15 & 17-19 (Reader: Judith)

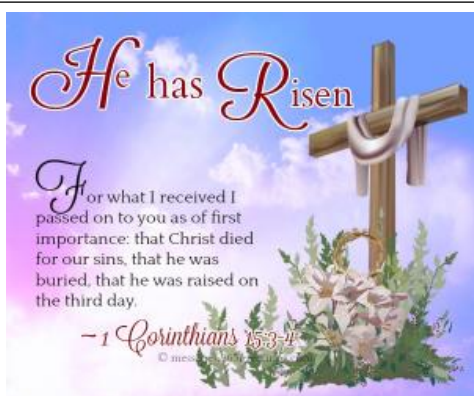
Ps 4

R: Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord

1 John 2:1-5 (Reader: Alison)

St Luke 24:35-48

Intercessor – Debra



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Nazareth. We are not just talking about a concept of life after death but proclaiming this person. But being this person makes it also a matter of universal impact, 'a new creation'. It is 'in Christ' that all things are to be made new and, as the gospel tells us, it is in Christ's 'name', his power and his presence, that the communion and mission of Christians is to be lived out.

At every Mass, as we celebrate the sacrifice of his passion and death, his resurrection and ascension, we have the elements of the scriptures, the sacramental meal, the real presence of Christ, fellowship/communion and empowering for mission. So too here as St Luke is leading us into the transition into the acts of our apostolic Church, we have had the heart-warming scriptures opened, the recognition in the breaking of bread and eating of fish, the bodily presence of Jesus and the fellowship communion and mission redirected '*and the pledge of future glory given to us*'.

May that glory be ours and may God bless you as Eastertide continues.

Fr Brendan

PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

Saturday 13 April	St Martin – pope and martyr and all persecuted for their faith. Our Blessed Virgin Mary and all shrines dedicated to her
Sunday 14 April	Our Church and parish and the residents of Stonebridge
Monday 15 April	All who have lost homes, families and livelihoods through natural disasters
Tuesday 16 April	All Christian poets and writers that they pass on their inspiration
Wednesday 17 April	Our emergency services who day by day deal with the aftermath of human tragedy
Thursday 18 April	Clevedon market, its traders and customers and the Market pastors
Friday 19 April	Parents whose babies die at birth, that they may receive the appropriate support and care
Saturday 20 April	Our Blessed Virgin Mary, her shrine in Walsingham, Fr Kevin, priest administrator and all who work and worship there
Sunday 21 April	Our Church and parish and the residents of Banks Close and Carice Gardens

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

Sunday 14 April	Celebration Sunday
Thursday 25 April	19.30 - PCC Meeting in the James Room
28 April to 5 May	St John's Festival Week
Sunday 5 May	Bring and Share Lunch
Wednesday 8 May	19.00 - Talk by Aidan Hart, iconographer
Sunday 19 May	Celebration Sunday – Pentecost
Sunday 19 May	Annual Parochial Church Meeting – after Mass in Church
Saturday 25 May	Plant Sale – TBC
Sunday 23 June	Celebration Sunday
Saturday 6 July	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

WANTED!

Small plant pots (suitable for an individual seedling) and multi-pot trays (NOT seed trays). Please see picture below. Sarah is collecting these.

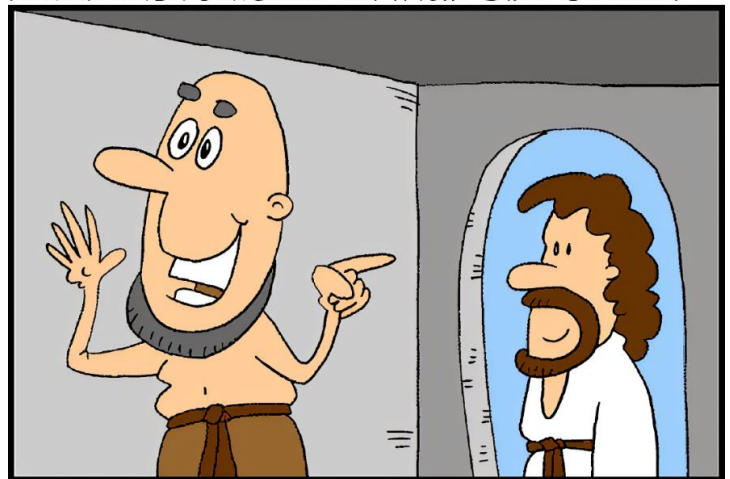


AND IF YOU ARE A GARDENER

and are about to sow seeds (flower or vegetable) or divide older plants or take cuttings, please consider doing a few extra to donate to the Parish Plant Sale on 25 May.



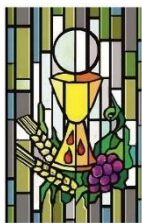
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Thanks to Paul

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HEY HONEY, MY BEST FRIEND IS HERE AND HE SAYS I HAVE TO DROP EVERYTHING AND GO FISHING



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.

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 Nicola or Gary or email office@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk

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

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.



Calling all bakers! If you would like to provide a cake(s) for one of our regular Celebration Sundays, please add your name to the list at the back of Church. Alternatively, if you would like to celebrate a special occasion (perhaps an anniversary, birthday or exam success) please put your name against the relevant date and bring along your cake (it doesn't have to be homemade) on the day. Any questions, please speak to Sarah or Debra.



Website

Please log into our website with as much frequency as you are able in order to bring it up the Google ratings...

It is <https://www.stjohns-clevedon.org.uk/>

The website is a dynamic tool, so please send any comments, criticisms or ideas to Fr Brendan

On-line Giving

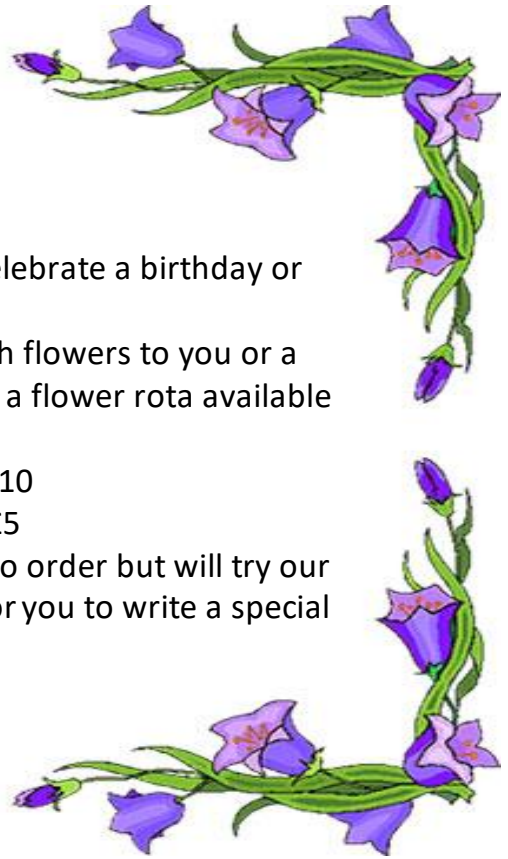
Here is the link to our on line facility:

<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.

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.



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 £10

Statue of Mary suggested minimum donation £5

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.

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/>

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 Nicola Coaker or Gary Lewis. Nicola 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: <https://www.stjohns-clevedon.org.uk/> or at www.achurchnearyou.com/church/111185/ or on YouTube 'St John's Clevedon' or on Facebook: St John the Evangelist Church, Clevedon or join our WhatsApp group.



Celia Quiz !!

1. Who was chosen to replace Judas as a Disciple?
2. When did the Farthing cease to be legal tender?
3. What is a group of giraffes called?
4. Shall We Dance is a song from which musical?
5. Which artist painted sunsets from Clevedon Pier?
6. Which inventor organised the first ever news transmission in 1898?
7. Which modern day country was once called Abyssinia?
8. Who directed the film Jaws?
9. Which state of the USA has a Union Jack as part of its flag?
10. In which decade was the first newspaper printed in Britain?
11. What is the county town of Rutland?
12. Croquet, tug-of-war, cricket and motor boat racing have what in common?
13. In the rhyme 'The king was in his counting house counting out his money' to which king does it refer?
14. Which Prime Minister headed a coalition from 1916 - 1922?
15. What makes plants green?
16. Master Chef and which other TV contest were first broadcast in 2005?

Gordon's Posers

- a. Angry lock openers; b. fish+circle+village; c. Raquet sport for those vertically challenged