



St John the Evangelist

Newsletter



SUNDAY 19 MAY 2024

PENTECOST

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 18 May

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston super Mare

Sunday 19 May – Pentecost

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer and Benediction

Monday 20 May

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Tuesday 21 May

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare

Wednesday 22 May

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Thursday 23 May

12.30 Mass - Fr Brendan Clover

Friday 24 May

12.00 Funeral Mass– Fr Brendan Clover

Saturday 25 May – St Bede the Venerable

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston super Mare

Sunday 26 May – Trinity Sunday

10.00 Solemn Mass – Fr Jeremy Hillier

17.30 Evening Prayer

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

Acts 2:1-11 (Reader: Roger)

Ps 103

R: Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth

1 Corinthians 12:3-7 & 12-13 (Reader: Helen)

St John 20:19-23

Intercessor – Dilwyn



Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear friends,

A busy Sunday this week with the the 10.30am Mass, the APCM after Mass, and the Baptism of Arthur Mortimore at 2pm. Evening Prayer will be said before the Blessed Sacrament and concludes with Benediction.

Pentecost is the feast of the birthday of the church and we shall indeed be celebrating new beginnings in our community.

Next Friday 24th May at Noon is my mother's Funeral Mass followed by a lunch in her honour. Many of you have already told me that you will be attending, but if you would like to come to the lunch could you please sign the list at the back of the church so that we don't waste food? As I have said before very few family will be able to be there for various reasons, mainly age and infirmity, so your presence will be very welcome. Mum's body will be received into church at 4.30pm on Thursday, and at 5.30pm Vespers of the Dead will be recited. As Mum's body will be in church the normal 10am Mass on Friday 24th May WILL NOT TAKE PLACE and is replaced by the Funeral Mass at Noon.

Thank you so much to all of you for your condolences and good wishes. Your support and encouragement at a difficult time mean so much to us.

With my love and prayers,
Fr Brendan

PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

Saturday 18 May	Our school, its pupils, staff, parents and carers
Sunday 19 May	Our Church and parish and the residents of Somerton Road, Ilminster Close and Porlock Close
Monday 20 May	St Dunstan – the author of the Coronation Oath and all who helped to spread Christianity in this land
Tuesday 21 May	Those addicted to alcohol and drugs, those who suffer abuse by addicts and those who seek to cure them
Wednesday 22 May	All doctors, nurses and paramedics
Thursday 23 May	The market traders and their customers and the market chaplains ready to talk and listen
Friday 24 May	John and Charles Wesley and the Methodist ministry
Saturday 25 May	The Venerable Bede and all who transcribe scriptures. Our blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday 26 May	Our Church and parish and all residents of Chard Road, Wells Road, Tiverton Road and Honiton Road

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 19 May	Celebration Sunday – Pentecost
Sunday 19 May	Annual Parochial Church Meeting – after Mass in Church
Saturday 25 May	10.00 – 12.00 - Plant Sale
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

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING AND VESTRY MEETING

SUNDAY 19 MAY – THIS WEEK!

The APCM and Vestry Meeting will take place immediately after Mass on Sunday 19 May. This is an important event in the life of our Church and one at which you can be involved. Please see Gary's message below – Shine Your Light. A copy of the Annual Report and Accounts can be seen by clicking on this link <https://stjohnsclevedonorguk.sharepoint.com/:w/s/StJohntheEvangelistChurch/EXTilskyEMpNvD6VoreG6ZEB332pXMxBINUInL00FG7Hlg?e=dtgbi>

nomination forms are available at the back of St John's Church for the following positions:
Churchwarden
PCC Member
Deanery Synod Representative

Questions should be submitted in advance of the APCM meeting to PCC Secretary@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk by Tuesday this coming week. Any questions asked at the APCM meeting will be answered after the meeting closes.

SHINE YOUR LIGHT

We all know the bit in the sermon on the Mount where Our Lord cautions us about hiding our lamps under a bushel basket but instead commands us to let our light shine. We have opportunities for shining lights this spring here at St John's Church! Our Annual Vestry Meeting and APCM is coming up on Sunday 19th May and there are some roles that we need to fill.

Nicola has reached the end of the advisory six years' service as churchwarden and is also ready for a break from PCC. She has kindly agreed to remain Chair of our Finance Committee. I am eager to stand again as churchwarden and I hope that there will be someone in the congregation willing to stand too. The role is both demanding and rewarding. I have loved it so far and obviously Father Brendan is an enormous pleasure to work with. If you would like to find out more about the warden's role, please speak to Nicola, Father Brendan or me and we will tell you more.

We also have three PCC vacancies and an additional Deanery Synod Vacancy (that ex officio gives the holder a seat on the PCC). We would love someone from our church to be our representative on churches Together in Clevedon and we have been trying to recruit a Health and Safety Officer for some time. These roles are less of a time commitment than warden but also very important to the running of our parish life. Could you do one of them?

There is a theory of organisations that says if you have 100 members you have enough people to fill all the slots required without burning out the few enthusiasts. With routinely 60 communicants on a Sunday and twice that at festivals I think that we might be nearly at the point of having 100 active church members. I am always struck by the many hands that make light work at any church event, we usually have loads of people moving the chairs and sweeping up. I'm really hoping that spirit of 'getting stuck in' will be seen with people coming forward to take up our vacant leadership roles next month.

Gary

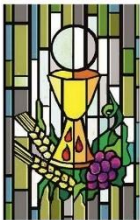
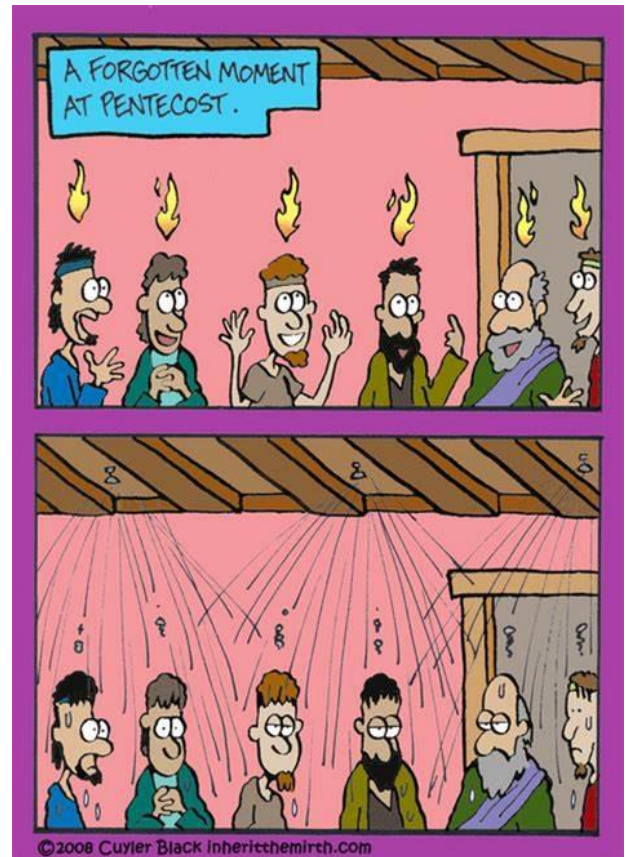
PLANT SALE

SATURDAY 25 MAY – 10.00 – 12.00
IN THE CHURCH GROUNDS



Please bring any plants, cuttings or seedlings you have nurtured to the James Room (lower hall) on **Friday 24 May** between **15.00 and 16.00** OR bring them to the Church **before** 10.00 on Saturday 25 May.

THANK YOU!



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 sides people 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.

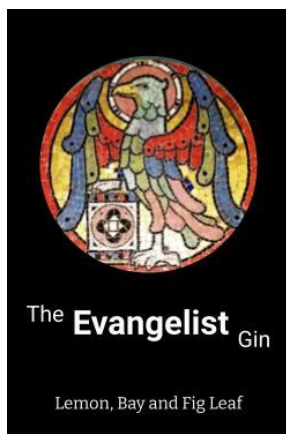
Entry remains free to enter for worship, prayer, and to light a candle and free passes are available for parishioners in the diocese. Information about the Parish Pass and how to apply for it is available from the Wells passes section of the Wells Cathedral website. You will note that the application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

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.

Where and when you can try The Evangelist Gin

Sunday 30th June

Evangelist Gin Tasting Evening at The Clevedon Distillery

19.00 – 20.30

We will taste and compare The Evangelist Gin with three others, discuss the genesis of gin and how different gins are designed to be drunk in different ways.

Saturday 6th July

St John's Summer Fair

2-4pm

Bottles will be available to buy and tasting available.

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

100 Club-Winners

April

1st - 47 Jessica

2nd -75 Ava

3rd -58 Liz G

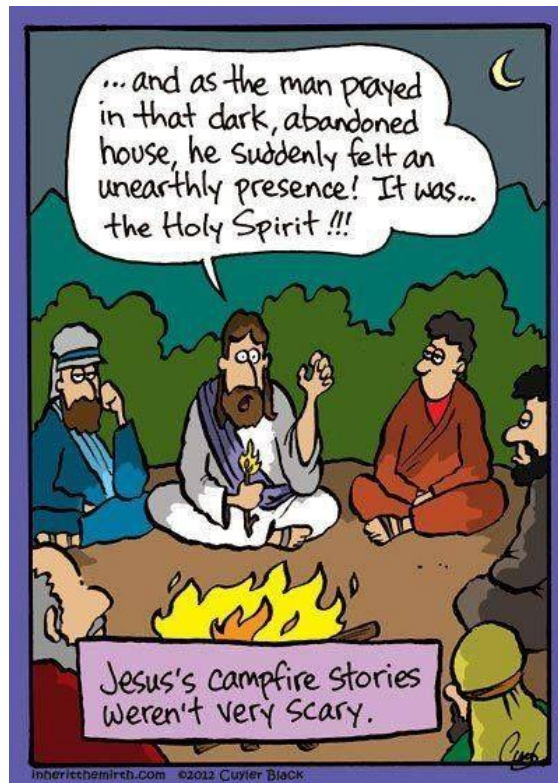
May

1st - 44 Janet S

2nd - 110 Hannah C

3rd - 60 John B

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



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.



Sick List

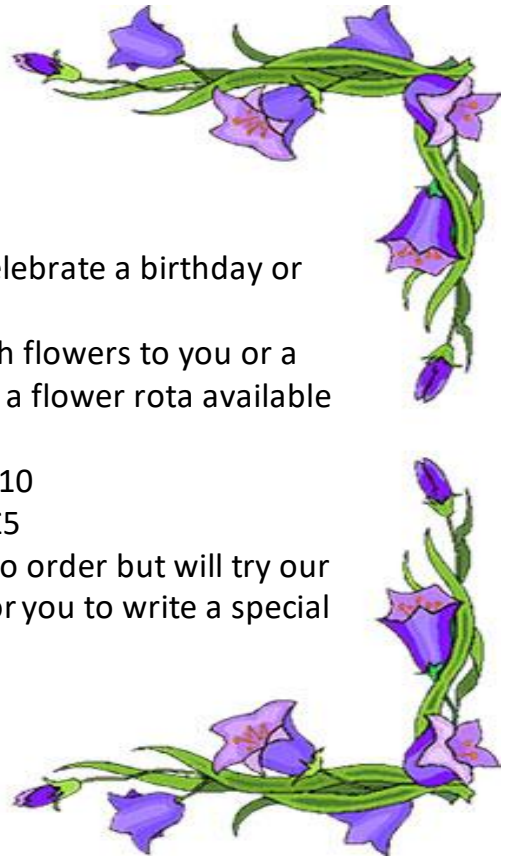
If you need to let the clergy know of anyone who is unwell and/or is needing pastoral care, please email office@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk or mention this to Betty, our Sickness Point of Contact (SPOC), after the service outside of the church building. Any requests will be passed on to Fr Brendan and names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

Website

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

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



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 Gary Lewis.
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 Answers!!

1. Old English for Cleave or Cleft and Don Hill an Iron Age fort at Wains Hill
2. Egypt
3. Winds
4. Timothy Dalton
5. Ruth's mother-in-law in the Book of Ruth
6. Ottoman
7. Bat
8. Pygmalion
9. La Manche
10. ASDA
11. Aire
12. Grasmere
13. Hexagon
14. Athelston
15. 54

SMF The Society for the
Maintenance of the Faith

"The object of the Society shall be to promote and maintain Catholic teaching and practice within the Church of England."

**ANNUAL
FESTIVAL MASS**



**AT ST MAGNUS THE MARTYR
LONDON BRIDGE**

by kind permission of the Rector

SATURDAY 15TH JUNE 2024

12 NOON

PREACHER: THE RT REVD JOHN FORD

Concert at St.John's – advance notice

The singing group 'Quintus and Friends' will be giving a short afternoon concert at **4pm** on Sunday June 16th here at St.John's. Titled 'Sacred and Profane' this highly accomplished group are celebrating some of the finest music from the Golden Age of English music – the Tudor period. Anthems by Byrd, Gibbons, Tallis and Tomkins will be followed by some madrigals from the same period, and organist John Davenport will be providing some organ music contemporary with these composers.

Entry is FREE but donations to the Jessie May Children's Hospice at Home will be very welcome. 'Quintus and Friends' are directed by Dr. Martin Firth, one of our new organists on the rota here, and would very much appreciate your support of this charity.

