



St John the Evangelist

Newsletter

SUNDAY 21 JULY 2024

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY, TRINITY 8

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 20 July

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston super Mare

Sunday 21 July – Sixteenth Sunday, Trinity 8

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer

Monday 22 July – St Mary Magdalene

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Tuesday 23 July – St Bridget

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare

Wednesday 24 July

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Thursday 25 July – St James

12.30 Mass - Fr Brendan Clover

Friday 26 July - St Anne and St Joachim

10.00 BCP Mass– Fr Brendan Clover

Saturday 27 July

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston super Mare

Sunday 28 July – Seventeenth Sunday, Trinity 9

10.30 Solemn Mass – Rt Revd Miachael Langrish

17.30 Evening Prayer

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

Jeremiah 23:1-6 (Reader: Peter)

Ps 22

R: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want

Ephesians 2:13-18 (Reader: Alison)

St Mark 6:30-34

Intercessor – Kevin

Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear Friends,

Various conflicts in recent years have reminded us that when war breaks out, the normal decencies of life are soon forgotten. The good relations built up between neighbours give way to mutual suspicion and enmity. Even life-long ties can be sacrificed for that mystical sense of belonging to a particular tribe or people, to a particular religion or culture.

What is it that unites people? It may be a common culture, a shared task (such as defending one's country) or perhaps the experience of living under one ruler.

But these are changeable aspects of our lives. The ruler may lose power. The task may end. Even the culture can change and give way to something more pluralistic and less cohesive.

Real unity is based on friendship or love — seeking the good of others. The unity in a loving family is not something transient. It is based on relations of mutual caring that do not diminish with time.

In an ideal world, society might be bound by similar relations. Good government can make society more just but, unfortunately, no amount of legislation can ensure friendship and love.

The readings on Sunday remind us that Christ is the source of all true unity between human beings. In the first reading Jeremiah laments Israel's lack of good kings. A good king is like a shepherd whose task it is to prevent the flock from being scattered or lost. Jeremiah looks forward to a time when there will be a just and wise king to shepherd his people.

The gospel echoes this metaphor. For Christ is in fact this promised shepherd. St Paul reminds us in Ephesians that the shepherd of Israel is our shepherd too. Christ has removed the barriers between Israel and the Gentiles. The rest of Paul's letter will be concerned with identifying those human sins that threaten our unity in Christ.

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Don't BE
afraid:
JUST
Believe
Mark 5:36

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The bishops of the Church who follow in Christ's footsteps, obedient to his command to teach and baptize all nations, are the chief shepherds of Christ's flock. But we all share in their task of gathering and uniting God's people. Each meeting with a fellow human being is an opportunity to unite or to divide. Will our daily contacts with others be divisive or will they serve to unite? Will they increase mutual understanding and strengthen the bonds of friendship, or will they add to suspicion, prejudice and antagonism? Will we in our human contacts seek the security of defining ourselves over and against those 'others' who do not belong to our race, religion or culture and have no place in the little worlds we inhabit, or will we be willing to shed the skin of a narrow identity for a truly Catholic social vision, open to the working of God's Spirit in all men and women?

With Gospel love and prayers,
Fr Brendan

PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

Saturday 20 July	Our blessed Virgin Mary, her shrine in Walsingham and all shrines dedicated to the Mother of God
Sunday 21 July	Our Church and parish and the residents of Treefield Road
Monday 22 July	All recently bereaved, that they may find peace and comfort after the trauma of losing a loved one
Tuesday 23 July	All, who for whatever reason, are homeless and estranged from their families
Wednesday 24 July	The Order of St Lazarus and the work that they do to help alleviate leprosy and other skin diseases
Thursday 25 July	St James the Apostle and all pilgrims to his shrine at Santiago de Compostela. The Thursday market and all visitors to Clevedon
Friday 26 July	St Anne and St Joachim, parents of our blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday 27 July	The Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of Walsingham, Our Lady Fatima and all shrines dedicated to her
Sunday 28 July	Our Church and parish and the residents of Shelley Avenue

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

The Newsletter will be on holiday throughout August. Next week will be the last edition until 1 September. If you have any news relating to events/occasions taking place in August or in early September please let us have them by lunchtime on Thursday 25 July.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 28 July	NEXT WEEK! 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.



CHURCH BARBECUE SUNDAY 1 SEPTEMBER - 12.30

Sign up list at the back of Church.
Only £5.00 per person.
Special diets catered for - please speak to Sarah or Debra.

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

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 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.

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Angela Edgar pcctreasurer@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk
Nicola Coaker churchwarden@st-johns-celvedon.org.uk

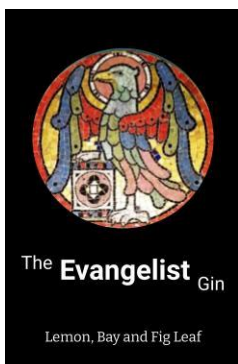
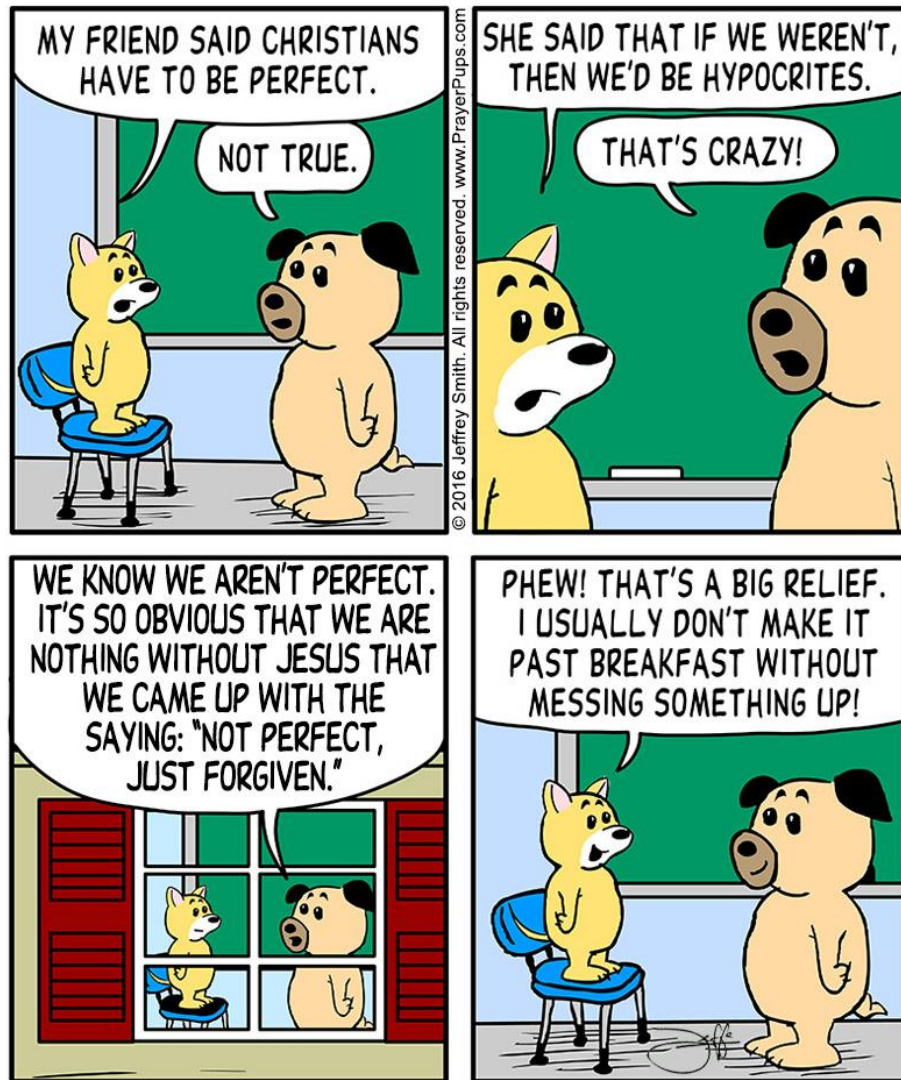
There are spare numbers available to buy. Please contact one of the organisers Details above.

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.



PRAYER PUPS BY JEFFREY SMITH



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.

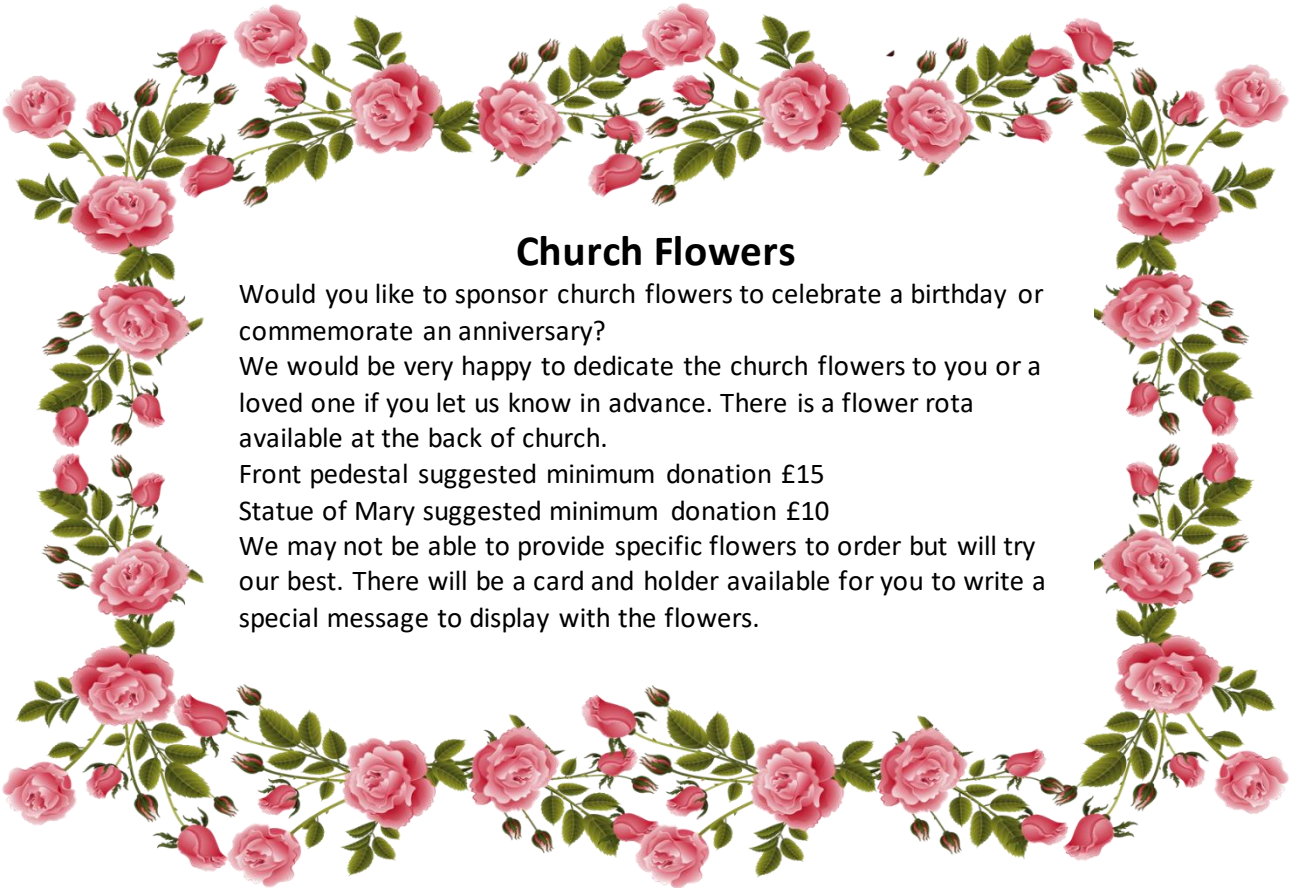
On-line Giving

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

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.

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



Celia Quiz!!

1. Church, Dial, Hangstone, Strawberry - what are the names of the other three Clevedon hills?
2. When were Driving Tests introduced into the UK?
3. Which county has England's ten largest lakes?
4. On which play is the musical My Fair Lady based?
5. James, Judas, Simon and Joseph are the names of whom given in St. Mark's Gospel?
6. Which 17th century King was ousted by his daughter and nephew?
7. Which bird of prey is the fastest member of the animal kingdom?
8. Who has won 20 Grand Slam tennis men's singles?
9. How is Lady Grey different from Earl Grey tea?
10. Who presented the Statue Of Liberty to the USA in 1883?
11. Which is the only female animal to have antlers?
12. Which 17th century epic relates the story of Adam and Eve?
13. If you say to someone "Pax Vobiscum" what are you wishing them?
14. When were advertisements first added to our television programmes?
15. Which is the Long Island of Scotland?
16. Which chef is demonstrating summer recipes in a new TV series?

GORDON'S POSERS

- a: Upon a pillow if sleepy; b: Opposite of West dry spot; c: Opposite East place to live.

Clevedon Quaker Meeting invites you to an Open Day

George Fox 1624-2024

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Let your life speak

Clevedon Meeting House

15 Albert Road, Clevedon BS21 7RP

Saturday 20 July at 10am-4pm

To commemorate the 400th anniversary of the birth of George Fox. Exhibition of his life and short film of the early years of Quakerism. Refreshments available.

EXTRAVAGANZA II!

**A feast of musical
delights!**



SATURDAY 20TH JULY

3 PM – 4.15 PM

**A showcase for the superb vocal and
instrumental talents of Weston Choral
Society.**

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, BS23 2NL.

FREE ENTRY!

**Followed by tea, coffee, cakes and a
great raffle!**



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

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