

St John the Evangelist

Newsletter



SUNDAY 23 JUNE 2024

TWELFTH SUNDAY, TRINITY 4

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 22 June - St Alban

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston super Mare

Sunday 23 June – Twelfth Sunday, Trinity 4

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer

Monday 24 June - Birth of St John the Baptist

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Tuesday 25 June

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare

Wednesday 26 June

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Thursday 27 June

12.30 Mass - Fr Brendan Clover

Friday 28 June – St Irenaeus

10.00 BCP Mass– Fr Brendan Clover

Saturday 29 June – St Peter and St Paul

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston super Mare

Sunday 30 June – Thirteenth Sunday, Trinity 5

10.30 Solemn Mass – Rt Revd Michael Langrish

17.30 Evening Prayer

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

Job 38: 1 & 8-11 (*Reader: Dilwen*)

Ps 106

R: O give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures for ever

2 Corinthians 5:14-17 (*Reader: Jane*)

St Mark 4:35-41

Intercessor – *Judith*

The heavens declare
the glory of God,
and the skies above
proclaim the work
of His hands.

Psalm 19:1 (NIV)



Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear friends,

My clergy colleagues will attest that it is not always the case that one returns from a Clergy Conference with new vigour and enthusiasm!

But I have to tell you that was exactly my experience after the Diocesan Conference on Monday last.

It's good, of course, to meet up with fellow workers in the vineyard, and the lunch was good too, but most impressive was the research presented to the Conference by Rachel Jordan-Wolf over two key note sessions. If you would like to watch a potted version of it try this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EPCVjYEdshw>

In short, the research suggests that, post-COVID, there is a much greater degree of openness to the Christian faith and the Christian church than has been the case for some time.

You can download and read the report by following this link via Google:

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People are searching for God, searching for a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. This must mean that the possibility of growth in our churches is stronger than it has been for some time. Our challenge is to speak about our faith with passion and enthusiasm in the hope that others will respond. That's the challenge and the problem. The problem is that we are British and often reticent to speak about the things which really matter to us. What can be done about it?

With my love and prayers,
Fr Brendan

PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

Saturday 22 June	St Alban, all pilgrims to the abbey church of St Alban. Our blessed Virgin Mary and all pilgrims to shrines dedicated to her
Sunday 23 June	Our Church and parish and the residents of Kenn Road and Davis Lane
Monday 24 June	Our school, its pupils and staff, parents, carers and guardians
Tuesday 25 June	The nursing homes in our parish, especially Elm View and Poets Mews
Wednesday 26 June	All doctors, nurses and staff who work at the medical practices in Clevedon
Thursday 27 June	St Cyril of Alexandria and all Orthodox Christians
Friday 28 June	All children and young people who are maltreated and abused – that they may receive help, care and guidance
Saturday 29 June	Armed Forces Day – St Peter and St Paul – our Blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday 30 June	Our Church and parish and the residents of Kennaway Road and Baytree 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 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



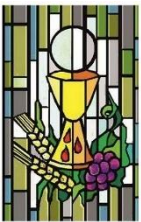
CHURCH SUMMER FETE

SATURDAY 6 JULY – 14.00 TO 16.00

We are hoping that the sun shines for our summer fete this year. We have a number of stalls that need people to man them and also people to help us set up and pack away. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church.

We are also looking for donations of

- * Bottles
- * Books
- * Plants
- * Toiletries
- * Items for the raffle hamper (please see the list at the back of Church)
- * Cakes
- * Jewellery



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 spare teatowels you would be prepared to donate to the Church Hall kitchen?

If so, please bring them to Church and give them to Sarah or Debra. Thank you.



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

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.

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.

The bar will be open afterwards.

To book use the link below: Direct link: <https://square.link/u/rz8AYA95>

Saturday 6th July

St John's Summer Fair

2-4pm

Bottles will be available to buy and tasting available.



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.

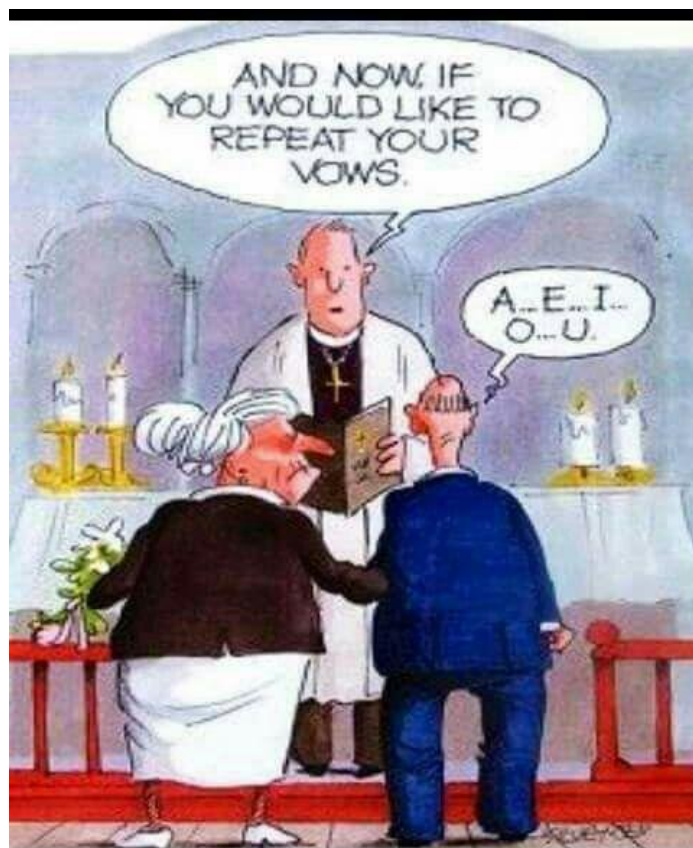


On-line Giving

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

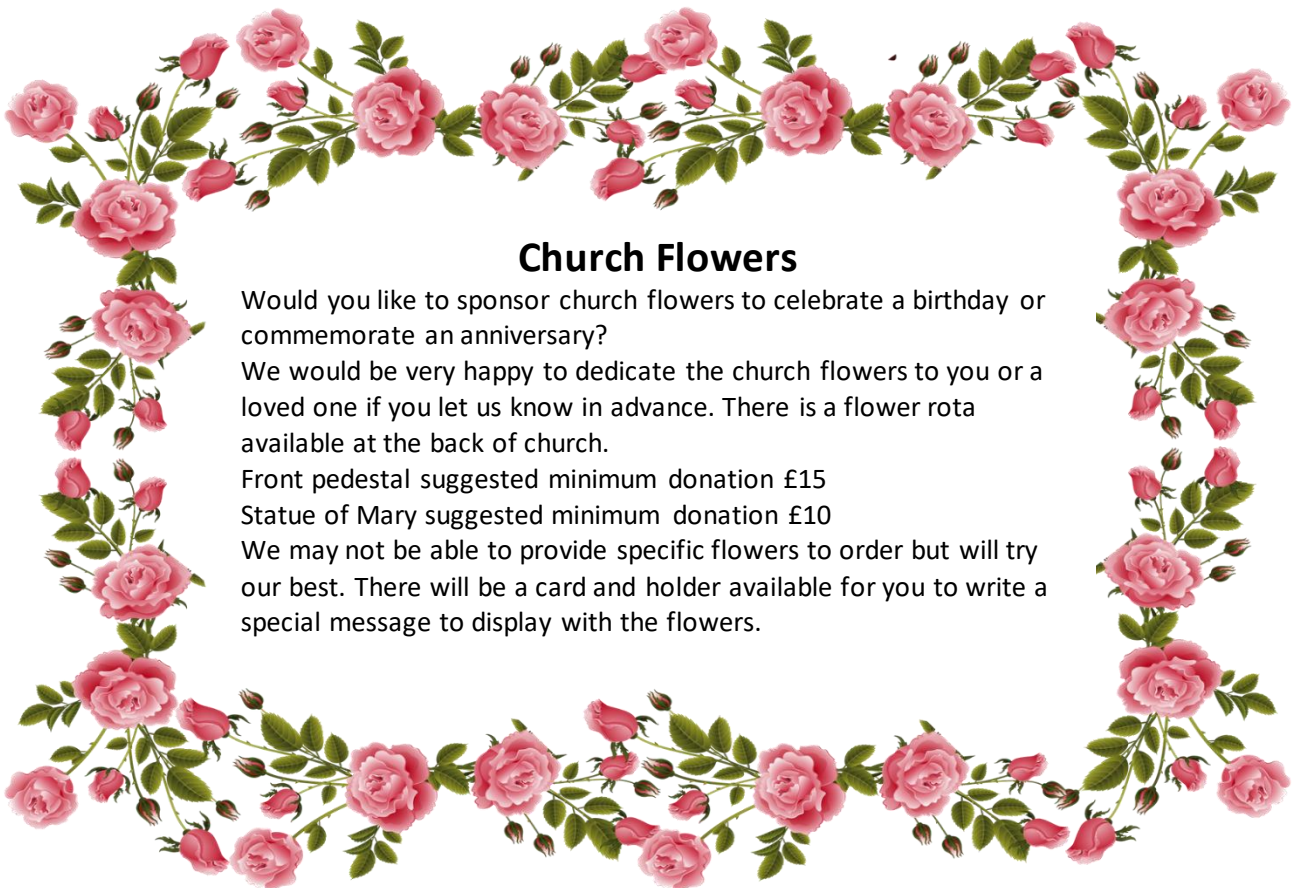


Church Flowers

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.

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/>



Celia Quiz!!

1. What is the name of the angel in the Bible's Apocrypha book Tobit?
2. In which reign was permission given for clergy to marry?
3. Which river runs below London?
4. Which tennis player has won eight men's singles titles at Wimbledon?
5. Which area of France helped pay for the building of Clevedon's Roman Catholic Church?
6. When were GCSE exams introduced?
7. Which organ does a spider use to create webs?
8. Who is the actress star of TV's Silent Witness?
9. In which country was St Brendon born?
10. Which country first imported tea to us?
11. Which weed with a bright yellow flower is said to help tell the time?
12. Who is Shakespeare's King of the Fairies?
13. What completes the saying "Clear moon-----" ?
14. When were the monarchies of England and Scotland united?
15. What was Zimbabwe's name from 1964-79?
16. Where was the composer of the Four Seasons, Vivaldi, born?

GORDON'S POSERS

a: Less sea by the sound of it; b: Good place to convalesce; c: Opposite Downton.

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.



moonlight memory walk

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Saturday 5 October 2024

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