



# St John the Evangelist

# Newsletter



SUNDAY 26 MAY 2024

TRINITY SUNDAY

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## Church Services (also on-line)

### Saturday 25 May

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston super Mare

### Sunday 26 May – Trinity Sunday

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Jeremy Hellier

17.30 Evening Prayer

### Monday 27 May – St Augustine of Canterbury

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

### Tuesday 28 May

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare

### Wednesday 29 May

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

### Thursday 30 May

12.30 Mass - Fr Brendan Clover

### Friday 31 May – Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10.00 BCP Mass– Fr Brendan Clover

### Saturday 1 June – St Justin

No Mass this day

### Sunday 2 June – Trinity 1

10.00 Solemn Mass – Bishop Michael Langrish

17.30 Evening Prayer and Benediction

### The Mass readings for this Sunday:

Deuteronomy 4:34-34 & 39-40 (Reader: Peter)

Ps 32

**R: Happy the people the Lord has chosen as his own**

Romans 8:14-17 (Reader: Alison)

St Matthew 28:16-20

Intercessor – Diane

### Words from Fr Brendan

Dear friends,

Thank you so much to all of you who came to my mother's Funeral Mass. There was an enormous sense of solidarity and prayer for her and for the repose of her soul. How much she loved St John's... It was so good that her funeral was here among a community she treasured for two years. And thanks to Sarah and the catering team for an unforgettable celebration lunch. We do hospitality so well.

This Sunday is the Feast of the Holy Trinity. The Church has the doctrine of the Holy and Undivided Trinity, and this doctrine developed over the centuries, taking form in the creeds. It developed in response to challenges from both within and outside the Church. The Church on the one hand is compelled by the truth of the Gospel of Jesus to acknowledge each Person of the Trinity, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, to be both God and Lord. This is the unique revelation given us by Jesus.

The Church on the other hand is forbidden by the universal faith, given in the ancient Law to Moses and constantly reiterated by the prophets of Israel, to say that there are three Gods or three Lords. Thus the Church teaches that there are three distinct Persons in one indivisible God. These Three are in co-equal and co-eternal relation, a relation of self-giving and love. The Father eternally begets the Son, who in time took upon himself our flesh for our redemption. The Father and the Son, united by the Spirit who proceeds from the Father, send that same Spirit into the world to draw the whole world back, through the Son, into the life of God.  
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Animating this doctrine of the Trinity is the most basic revelation of all; namely, that God is Love, and that in God himself is an eternal communion of Persons, each of whom is Love Almighty.  
With my thanks, love and prayers,  
Fr Brendan

## PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

<b>Saturday 25 May</b>	The Venerable Bede and all who transcribe scriptures. Our blessed Virgin Mary
<b>Sunday 26 May</b>	Our Church and parish and all residents of Chard Road, Wells Road, Tiverton Road and Honiton Road
<b>Mondy 27 May</b>	Philip Neri, founder of the Oratorians and all who inject joy and energy into our worship
<b>Tuesday 28 May</b>	All waiting for hospital treatment, especially those recently diagnosed with cancer
<b>Wednesday 29 May</b>	We pray for all who live alone and incapacitated with no-one to talk to
<b>Thursday 30 May</b>	We pray today for all who suffer from leprosy and other disfiguring skin diseases and those who look for cures and treatments
<b>Friday 31 May</b>	The Visitation of our Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth and all who hope and long for a child
<b>Saturday 1 June</b>	All members of the Military and Hospitalier Order of St Lazarus of Jerusalem who are on pilgrimage to the Holy Shrine at Walsingham
<b>Sunday 2 June</b>	Our Church and parish. The 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

### ***A Thank you from Fr Brendan's brother, Richard***

"I'd like to thank you, the staff, volunteers and congregation of St John's for the love and support you have shown recently after the passing of our mother Joan. The funeral Mass was a wonderful occasion for all to remember our wonderful mother. Because of ill health, I couldn't be with you but I was watching on Facebook and I was struck beyond belief by the number of people in the congregation and the wonderful singing you produced. The first hymn brought me to tears, thank you. The loving support you continue to give Brendan was evident for all to see. You are lucky to have a parish priest like my brother and he is lucky to have you all. I send you all, once again, my thanks and look forward to the day when I can be with you in your wonderful church. Best wishes, Richard."

## 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



## 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.

## 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 this link : <https://square.link/u/rz8AYA95> or the QR code below:



#### **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](mailto:fional.dixon@btopenworld.com)  
Angela Edgar [pcctreasurer@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk](mailto:pcctreasurer@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk)  
Nicola Coaker [churchwarden@st\\_johns-celvedon.org.uk](mailto: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.



"These are plenty complicated enough for now — why don't we save the Trinity stuff for later?"

### 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.

## Sick List

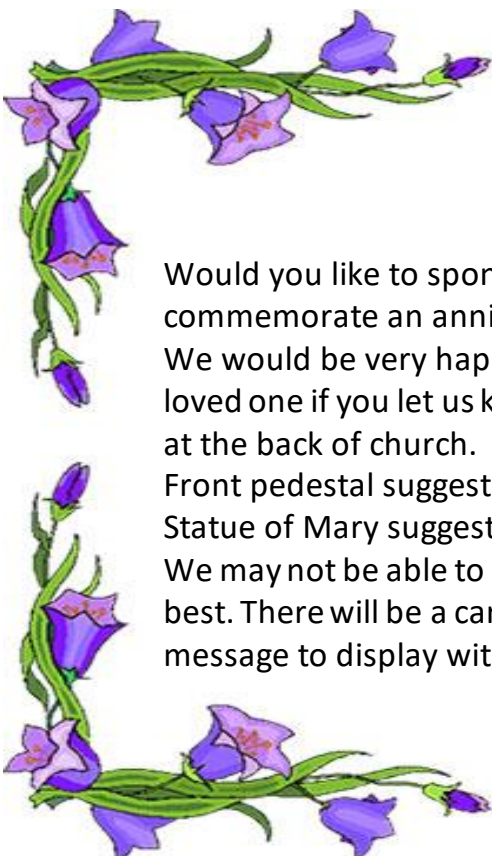
If you need to let the clergy know of anyone who is unwell and/or is needing pastoral care, please email [office@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk](mailto:office@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk) or mention this to Betty, our Sickness Point of Contact (SPOC), after the service outside of the church building. Any requests 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 Nicola or Gary or email [office@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk](mailto:office@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk)



## Church Flowers

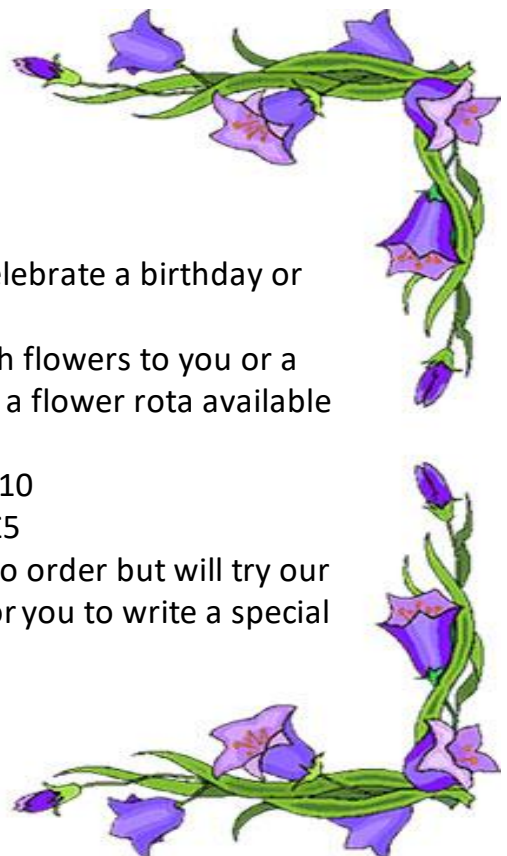
Would you like to sponsor church flowers to celebrate a birthday or commemorate an anniversary?

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 or Dilwyn Miller.

Dilwyn's email address is [churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk](mailto:churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk)

Gary's email address is [churchwarden2@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk](mailto:churchwarden2@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk)

If you have any safeguarding questions or issues, please email [parishsafeguardingofficer@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk](mailto:parishsafeguardingofficer@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk)

**The Vicarage telephone number is 01275 879617**

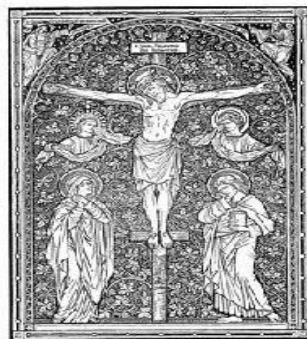


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## **SMF** The Society for the Maintenance of the Faith

*"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 15<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2024**

**12 NOON**

**PREACHER: THE RT REVD JOHN FORD**



## ***Celia Quiz !!***

### QUIZ

1. How many people were Baptised after Peter preached at Pentecost?
2. Which Dutch navigator has an Australian state named after him?
  3. Where are England's highest mountains situated?
  4. In which resort is Faulty Towers in the TV comedy?
5. A plaque in Elton Road, Clevedon commemorates people who worked there 1943-1961 to develop which medical product?
  6. In which country are the ruins of Carthaginian civilization?
  7. What is the common name of a small, green Australian parrot?
    8. Who wrote the opera Carmen?
    9. Where did the Pied Piper play?
    10. What was an early type of taxi?
    11. Bulgaria is situated on which Penninsular?
    12. Which artist painted 210 Coca Cola bottles?
    13. What is the name of the yellow gemstone?
  14. Who succeeded Oliver Cromwell as Lord Protector in January 1659?
  15. Indigo is next to blue and what other colour in the rainbow?
  16. In which venue does The Oaks horse race take place?

### **GORDON'S POSERS**

- (a) Think outside of it when stuck;
- (b) Ogling from an inebriate;
- (c) Charles Dickens created this touring group leader