

St John the Evangelist

Newsletter



SUNDAY 3 SEPTEMBER 2023

TWENTYSECOND SUNDAY, TRINITY 13

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 2 September

10.00 Walsingham Cell Mass at St John's

Sunday 3 September – 22nd Sunday

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer with Benediction

Monday 4 September

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Tuesday 5 September

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare

Thursday 7 September

12.30 Mass – Fr Robert Ward

Friday 8 September – Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10.00 Mass – Revd Prebendary John Andrews

Saturday 9 September

10.00 Mass at All Saints, WsM

Sunday 10 September – 23rd Sunday

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

Jeremiah 20:7-9 (*Reader: Judith*)

Psalms 63:2 & 8-9

R: For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God

Romans 12:1-2 (*Reader: Peter*)

St Matthew 16:21-27

Intercessor - Debra

From Gary Lewis, churchwarden at St John's

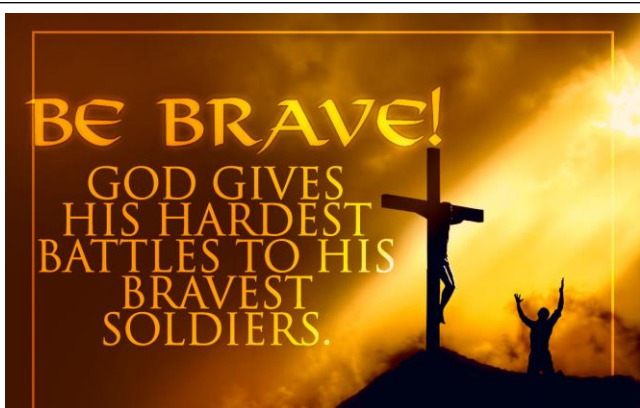
As Father Brendan takes a few well-earned days of leave, it is an opportunity for me to reflect back on a busy summer at the church. It has been good that despite many of us being away on holidays we have kept up our numbers. We also enjoyed an extremely well attended parish barbecue and celebrated the Feast of the Assumption with Bishop Paul. We all took pleasure in seeing the Bishop confirm three young and very active members of our congregation.

It was with sorrow and pride that we said farewell to Mike Callow. Mike's funeral, requiem mass and memorial services were a great consolation to his family and his long service as a bellringer was marked with a quarter peal last Sunday.

I contrasted this positive picture of church life with that presented by the recent poll of clergy for The Times Newspaper. What a bleak image that was, with one interviewee commenting that he was being ground down by 'the pressure of justifying the Church of England's position to increasingly secular and sceptical audiences.' I don't know if Father Brendan feels ground down, although I don't see much sign of it! If we feel more confident at St John's, it is because we have a real excitement and satisfaction in encountering God in worship in his house. As Father Brendan frequently reminds us, it is the most important thing that we can do in our lives. As a congregation we still have a great deal to do to communicate our excitement and faith out into the town and beyond, but we are starting from a context where we sense God at work in our parish.

See you at church soon.

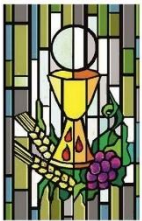
Gary



PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

Friday 1 September	Giles, hermit and patron saint of lepers. All sufferers of leprosy and other skin diseases. The Order of St Lazarus who raise funds to aid research into leprosy and related skin disease.
Saturday 2 September	The martyrs of Papua New Guinea 1901 and 1942 and the subsequent growth of Christianity in that area. Our blessed Virgin Mary and St John's Walsingham Cell who meet today
Sunday 3 September	Our Church, clergy and parish. The residents of St Michael's Avenue and Hillview Avenue
Monday 4 September	The beginning of a new academic year, all teachers and pupils that they work and learn together as a team
Tuesday 5 September	All who are on holiday or just taking a break from routine that they may be refreshed and revived
Wednesday 6 September	Allen Gardiner, founder of the American Missionary Society and all missionaries who work to bring people to Christ
Thursday 7 September	The Clevedon market traders, their customers and all visitors to Clevedon
Friday 8 September	Our blessed Virgin Mary and her parents, St Anna and St Joachim
Saturday 9 September	Our Lady of Walsingham, Fr Kevin – priest administrator – and his team of staff. All pilgrims to the shrine that their prayers may be answered
Sunday 10 September	Our Church and parish and residents of Coleridge Vale North, South and East.



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.

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

Saturday 16 September

Quiz Evening, time to be confirmed, in the Church Hall

Sunday 24 September

NEW DATE!! Harvest Lunch – 12.30 in the Church Hall NEW DATE!!

Saturday 2 December

Christmas Fayre – 14.00 – 16.00 in the Church Hall

GREAT NORTH RUN

June Fegredo is running the Great North Run on 10/09/2023 along with her son Daniel in memory of her Granddaughter, Ava Fegredo. Ava needed a heart transplant but sadly died 4 days short of her first birthday. The hospital staff and charity supported Ava and her parents over this most traumatic time. June and Daniel are raising funds so that the charity can continue their wonderful work. If you would like to donate, please follow the link. Many thanks.

<https://greatnorthrun2023.enthuse.com/pf/daniel-fegredo>

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 Points of Contact (SPOC's), 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.

Chat and Craft Group

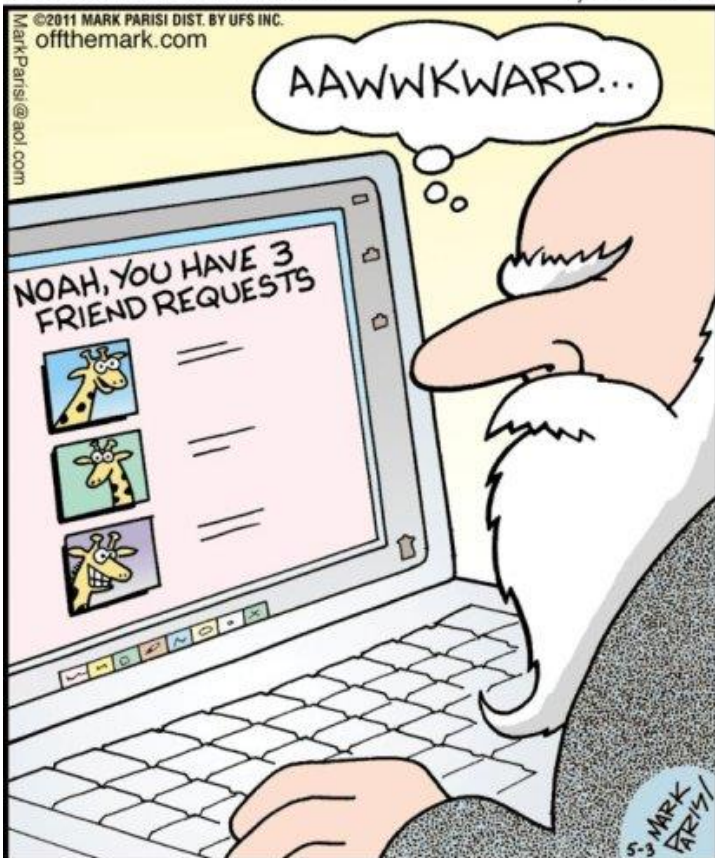
continues to meet every Thursday afternoon in the Church Hall between 2 and 4pm. Bring your own project along to work on, and chat to fellow crafters.

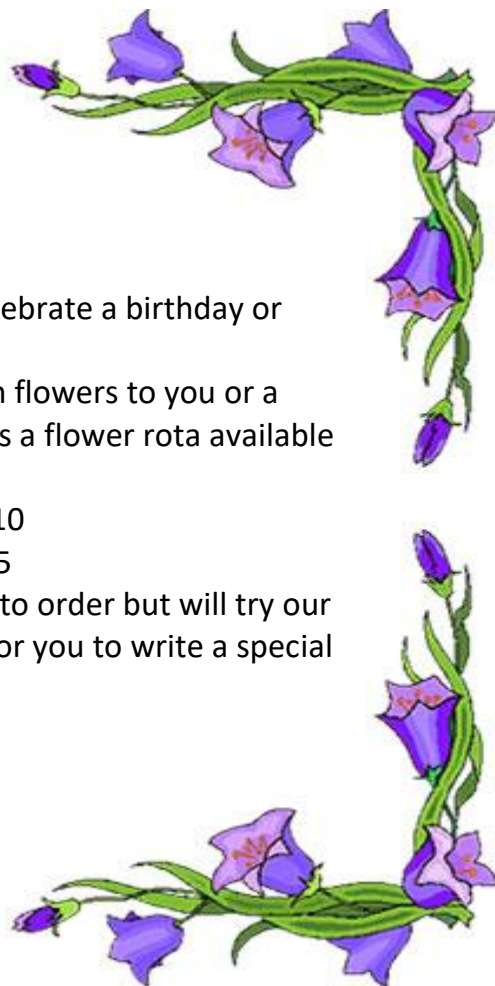
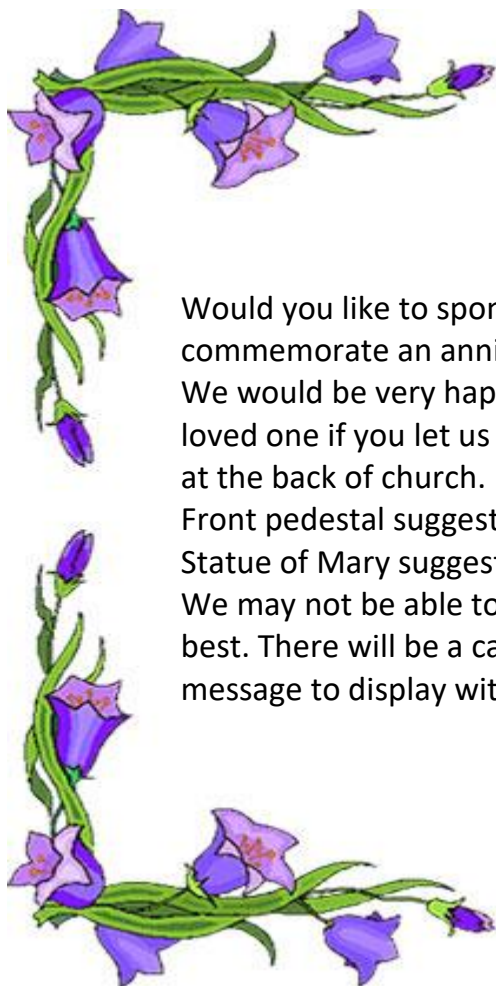
A drink and biscuits will be available. For more information, talk to Sue at church or ring on 01275 877710.



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by Mark Parisi





Church Flowers

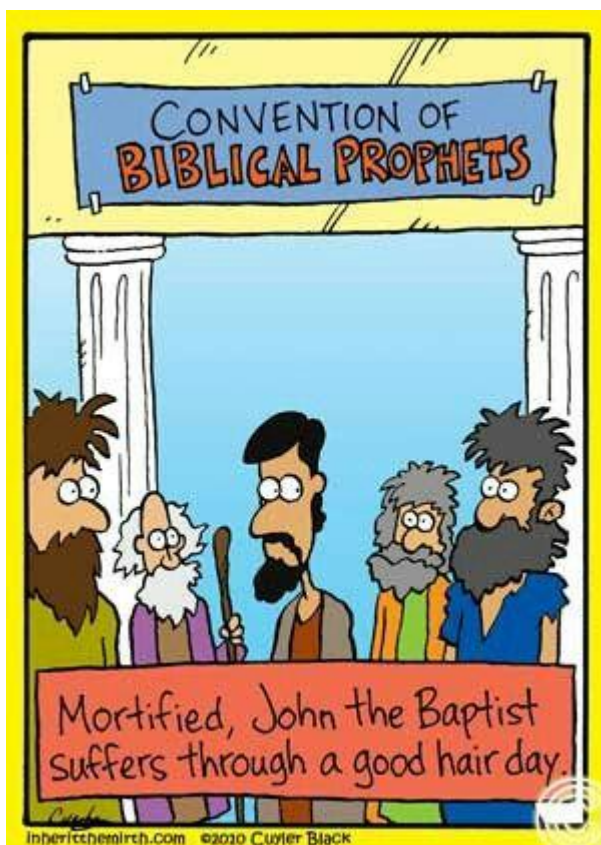
Would you like to sponsor church flowers to celebrate a birthday or commemorate an anniversary?

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.



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

Celia Quiz time !!

1. When did Clevedon have its first Picture House?
2. In which century was the Encyclopaedia Britannica first published?
3. Which central American country was formerly called British Honduras?
4. Which English painter was noted for his pictures of horses?
5. In the Old Testament which son of Tobit was helped by the Archangel Raphael?
6. When did the Gold Rush occur in America?
7. Which species of bird includes the Foghorn and the Leghorn?
8. Who is the central male character in Emily Bronte's Wuthering Heights?
9. Which country's currency is the shekel?
10. Which city other than Pompeii was damaged by Vesuvius in AD79?
11. Which line on a map connects places of equal atmospheric pressure?
12. Which footballer was transferred from Tottenham Hotspur to Bayern Munich for £86m?
13. Which game involves horse chestnut seeds?
14. Who refused to deny his beliefs at the Diet Of Worms in 1521?
15. What is the common name of the Mediterranean plant Rosa Moschata?
16. Which composer wrote the music for West Side Story?

GORDON'S POSERS

a: mine in a valley; b: mine and a joint; c: heavy headwear

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

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.



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/>

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.

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

The Office Number is 07522 494 504

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.



The poster features a purple background with a large yellow crescent moon and several yellow stars. In the top right corner is the logo for 'children's hospice SOUTH WEST', which includes a green silhouette of a family. The title 'moonlight memory walk' is written in a white, stylized font. A large circular inset shows a group of people, including children and adults, wearing purple t-shirts and colorful, feathery wings. A smaller circular inset shows a display of lanterns with messages. At the bottom, the text 'Walk in memory of your loved one' is followed by 'Saturday 7 October 2023'. Below this, it says 'Join us in Clevedon for an uplifting evening whilst supporting local families with every step'. The registration information 'Register today www.chsw.org.uk/moonlight' is provided. At the very bottom, there is a small smiley face icon, the text 'Making the most of short and precious lives across the South West', and the number 'Registered Charity No. 5009324'. A row of colorful smiley face icons is also present.

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