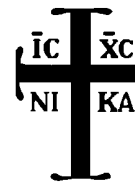




St John the Evangelist Newsletter



SUNDAY 3 OCTOBER 2021

27TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - TRINITY 18

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 October

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Sunday 3 October – Harvest Festival, 27th Sunday

10.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Said Evening Prayer from the BCP followed by Benediction

Monday 4 October – St Francis of Assisi

18.00 Mass - Fr Brendan Clover

Tuesday 5 October

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Wednesday 6 October

10.00 Mass – Revd Prebendary John Andrews

Thursday 7 October

12.30 Market Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Friday 8 October

10.00 BCP Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Saturday 9 October

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Sunday 10 October – 28th Sunday, Trinity 19

10.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Said Evening Prayer from the BCP

Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear friends,

It's been quite a week with the petrol crisis and two significant journeys to undertake, the first to Walsingham, and the second to Lancing College in Sussex to preach and celebrate the whole School Mass. Lancing College Chapel is the largest school chapel in the world and £1.3m has been raised recently to pay for a spectacular stone porch which completes it. The temporary west end, essentially bricks and boarding up, had been in place for almost one hundred years, demonstrating that some things take time to achieve! It was the feast of Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, and if you would like to hear what I said about them, by the wonders of modern technology, you can do so by clicking this link:

<https://soundcloud.com/lancingcollege/wednesday-29-september-2021-fr-brendan-clover-senior-provost-emeritus>

It will be very good to see some of you on Saturday at our Harvest Supper, and the Harvest Festival Mass is at 10.30am on Sunday. As I've said before it contains one or two surprises! You will need to be there to find out about them!

With my prayers and affection,
Fr Brendan

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

Genesis 2:18-24 (Reader: Helen)

Hebrews 2:9-11 (Reader: Martin)

St Mark 10;2-12

Psalms 128

R: May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.

(Intercessor: Debra)

Daily Prayer (The Office)

Evening Prayer is said publicly in church every day (except Wednesday) at 5.30pm.

Morning Prayer is said at 9.30am when there is a 10.00am Mass.



The Vicarage Telephone Number is 01275 879617.

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 at parishpriest@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk

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 David or 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.

It's Shoebox time again!

Operation Christmas Child is once again collecting shoeboxes full of small gifts to send to children in need around the world. Suggestions for gifts include toys, school supplies, hygiene items, hat, gloves, scarf - but no toothpaste or sweets, no liquids or glass. Further details and parcel labels from Sue Rossiter (tel. 01275 877710). Shoeboxes should be returned to church by Sunday 14 November. Alternatively you can pack a shoebox online at shoebonline.samaritans-purse.org.uk



Chat and Craft Group is meeting every Thursday afternoon drop-in between 2 and 4pm. Bring your own project along to work on, and chat to fellow crafters. Normally we have the kettle on, but while the electrics in the church hall are being worked on please bring your own drink. I will bring biscuits.

For more information talk to Sue at church or ring on 01275 877710.

CHARITY CAKE SALE

A big THANK YOU to everyone who kindly bought cake last week. £73 was raised for the charity 'Incredible Kids'

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

(All subject to there being no changes in covid restrictions)

- 4th Sunday of the month (not December) – Celebration Sunday – join us for a glass of wine / sherry and cake to celebrate any birthdays or anniversaries during the month
- **Saturday 2 October** – HARVEST SUPPER starting at 5:30pm – Tickets are available (Adults £6; Children >11 = £3, under 11 free) Maximum number 60 places, first come first served - (tickets must be purchased in advance)
- Saturday 13 November – MURDER MYSTERY Evening with Ploughman's supper starting at 7pm. Further details to follow and if you are interested in reading a part, please let Fiona know.

Harvest Festival will be celebrated NEXT WEEK on **Sunday 3 October**. Gifts of long-life food and hygiene items will be donated to Clevedon Food Bank. By donating an item or two you can help to provide food for people in crisis. You can help transform more lives with a financial donation too. The top ten items currently on the Food bank list are:

- tubes of pringles
- sponge puddings
- tinned fruit
- tinned custard
- tea bags
- coffee
- hot chocolate
- tinned meat
- tinned vegetables
- shampoo



Please bring your gifts to Mass on 3 October. If you are unable to get to Church but would like to donate to the Harvest offering, please contact Sue Rossiter, Nicola or Nick.

AND DON'T FORGET the **Harvest Supper** next Saturday evening – 2 October - starting at 5:30pm in the Church Hall. Tickets are available (Adults £6; Children >11 = £3, under 11 free) Maximum number 60 places, first come first served - (tickets must be purchased in advance)

RAFFLE PRIZES

If you are able to donate a small raffle prize for the Harvest Supper, that would be much appreciated. Please speak to Fiona or Nicola.

FUND RAISE AS YOU SHOP

We have registered St John's with easyfundraising, 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 easyfundraising 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/>



Donations to Clevedon Food Bank can be put in the Food bank bin at Tesco, taken to the Food Bank in Knowles Road on Mondays or Fridays between 9.30 and 11.30 am, or added to your local street collection. **There is also a basket in the porch at Church for your goods. Please deposit them when entering the building. Thank you. Sue**



Many of you will know that we sponsor a child through the charity Embrace – her details are in the Church porch. If you would like to further support the work of Embrace in the Middle East, please take a moment to look at their online brochure, which is full of beautiful cards and alternative gifts. The link is <https://shop.embraceme.org> or call 01227 811646

ANSWERS TO CELIA'S LATEST QUIZ

THIS AND THAT

1. Great Fish
2. 22 Sept. 1955
3. Dijon
4. The Chase
5. Celtic
6. David Livingstone
7. Guillemot
8. George Eliot
9. Alkali
10. The Queen
11. Burkina Faso
12. Alastair Cook
13. Oscar Wilde
14. William III and Mary
15. Acer
16. Aled Jones

GORDON'S POSERS

- a: Swear it; **Oath**
b: Sweep up in this pasture; **Broomfield**
c: Black bird valley; **Crowcombe**
d: Wash your dirty linen here. **Flax Pool**

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.

Please follow us on our new 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.

For those a bit more 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 Nick Dixon. Nicola can be contacted on 07940759891 or email her at churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk
Nick's email address is churchwarden2@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk Thank you.

If you have any safeguarding questions or issues please email parishsafeguardingofficer@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk

Sunday 3 October 2021 – 18th Sunday after Trinity (Proper 22)

Heart Examination (also Harvest Sunday)

Bible readings – Psalms 26 1-7

Questions

Who are the key people who help you grow in your faith?

What actions and attitudes distinguish a person of God?

What does it mean to walk in faithfulness?

Prayer suggestion: - Ask God to help you be a more faithful person

God, we thank you for a wonderful and beautiful world.

We thank you for the love and care of our parents.

Help us care for the world

And make sure that we do not spoil it for others

Amen

This week's challenge: - Find someone to mentor you in your faith

Activity suggestions:

- YCM Harvest activity sheets
- Bible chat mat for harvest
- Puzzles, word searches and colouring in the Young Church Mag (YCM) for this week based on Mark 10: 2-16

If you do not have access to a printer and would like the activity sheets printed out and delivered to you, please contact me (Fiona) and I'll arrange for you to receive copies.

Good Luck from St. John's Sunday Club Team (Sue & Fiona)