

# St John the Evangelist Newsletter



# SUNDAY 6 JUNE 2021

# TENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

If you wish to contribute to the next edition of the newsletter, please email <u>office@stjohns-</u> <u>clevedon.org.uk</u> marking your email '**Newsletter Article'** by <u>12 noon Thursdays weekly</u>.

## Church Services (also on-line)

Saturday 5 June – St Boniface **10.00** Mass – Fr Brendan Clover Sunday 6 June – Tenth Sunday **10.30** Mass – Fr Brendan Clover 17.30 Said Evening Prayer from the BCP Monday 7 June 18.00 Mass - Fr Brendan Clover **Tuesday 8 June 10.00** Mass – Fr Brendan Clover Wednesday 9 June 10.00 Mass – Revd Preb. John Andrews Thursday 10 June -**12.30** Market Mass – Fr Brendan Clover Friday 10 June 10.00 BCP Mass – Fr Brendan Clover Saturday 12 June 10.00 Mass in – Fr Brendan Clover Sunday 13 June – Eleventh Sunday 10.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover **17.30** Said Evening Prayer from the BCP

The Mass readings for this Sunday: Genesis 3:9-15 (*Reader: Diane*) 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 (*Reader: Peter*) St Mark 3:20-35 Psalm 130 **R: With the Lord there is mercy and plenteous redemption.** (Intercessor: Judith)

#### 100 Club Winners

<u>April</u> 26. Julie 65. Marc 20. June

May 88. Alison 86. Betty 02. Karen

As usual winnings have been posted to them.

## Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear friends,

How lovely it was to have some time together after Mass on Sunday, time to chat and socialise! It has been a very long time coming. And as I write this, we still have Corpus Christi to look forward to!

But the cycle of feasts and fasts we have been enjoying or enduring came to an end on Trinity Sunday, for this feast summarizes all that has gone before – namely the revelation of God that has come to us through Jesus Christ. Now we return to our encounter with Mark's Gospel, supplemented by some key texts from the Gospel of John (this is because Mark is the shortest of the synoptic gospels). This Gospel was written in Rome at around 65AD, and we believe that when Matthew and Luke sat down to write their versions, they had Mark in front of them. Put the three Gospel texts side by side in a 'synopsis' and you'll see the point because much material and the structure of these three Gospels are clearly related. The only question is this: where did the material Matthew and Luke share come from? A separate source? We don't really know... but it certainly matters as in Mark the Gospel begins with the baptism of Jesus, there's no mention of Christmas or Epiphany! I'll leave you to ponder the implications of this! Suggestions on a postcard!

If you would like some homework: try reading Mark's Gospel cover to cover in one session, and write down your feelings about it when you get to the end...

Ever,

Fr Brendan

Our Church is offering a **Friday After School Club** (as a pilot project) after half term, from 11th June. All pupils at St John the Evangelist School are welcome, but if in reception through to year 2 they need to be with a sibling or a parent helper.

Pupils will be collected from St John the Evangelist School at the end of the school day each Friday and will be walked to St John's Church Halls for refreshments and activities in the Church Hall and the beautiful Church Grounds.

Parents are invited to collect their children from the Church Hall between 5.30pm and 6pm. As this is a pilot project, in order for us to cover our costs, the charge will be £3 per pupil per session, £2 for siblings. Payment can be made via a QR code, or a link which will be supplied.

Please let the school know if you would like your child to attend, before half term, and if anyone would like to volunteer to be part of this new enterprise, please let the school know.



The Vicarage Telephone Number is 01275 879617.

# WEBSITE

We now have a new website. Please log into it 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

# **Daily Prayer (The Office)**

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

From September on the first Sunday of the month there will be Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament after Evening Prayer.

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

# **ON LINE GIVING**

Here is the link for our new 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. Thank you to Fiona for implementing this.

# 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.

# **Pilgrimage**



One of the victims of the pandemic was our planned Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Walsingham, England's Nazareth. The Shrine opens up again - alleluia - in July and we have booked twelve places for the weekend of 22/23/24 October. If you would like to come please let Peter Woolf know. The costs will be confirmed as soon as possible. We will try and stop at Ely on the way there for Mass in the Cathedral's Lady Chapel.

## DIOCESAN SYNOD ELECTION 2021

Now is the time to elect our representatives to the Diocesan Synod for the next three years. if you would like a say in how the diocese moves forward then please consider standing for election. The synod meets three times a year, sometimes in Wells, sometimes in different places round the diocese, but more recently on Zoom.

The next meeting is scheduled for 28 July. Anyone on the electoral roll can stand for election, but they need to be nominated by our Deanery Synod members Kevin and Sue. Speak to them if you feel you could undertake this for us. **Closing date 30 May – this week!** 

# UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS

Please note, this is a provisional list and all are Covid restriction dependant.

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Celebration Sunday Bring your own hot drinks - wine, sherry and cakes will be served

**Sunday 27th June - Parish Picnic in the Church Grounds after 10.30am Mass.** Bring your own picnic, drink and garden, picnic, or deck chair.

## Saturday 17th July - Parish BBQ -4.00 pm

In the parish grounds, details to follow.

# **Votive Candles**



We will continue to ask for a show of hands at the beginning of the service. This is to indicate how many votives our members and visitors would like lit by a Server and extinguished at the end of the service. This will continue until Covid-19 restrictions change. Thank you. for your co-operation.

## Wellspring Counselling Service continues to offer vital support

Wellspring Counselling has been caring for people across North Somerset since 1994. The service provides affordable, professional counselling for adults as well as donation-based counselling for young people aged 11 to 18.

Wellspring has counsellors available to help adults with a wide range of concerns, including anxiety, depression, relationship issues, abuse and bereavement. All counsellors are professionally trained, have regular clinical supervision and engage in Continued Professional Development.

If you think counselling could benefit you please call the reception team on 01275 810879 or email reception@wellspringcounselling.org.uk For more information visit www.wellspringcounselling.org.uk

## Here are the answers to last week's quiz from Celia.

#### MIXED BUNCH

- 1. 42ft
- 2.1916
- 3. Crow
- 4. Richard III
- 5. Beautiful Gate of The Temple
  - 6. Charles Lindberg

#### 7. Canada

- 8. Oxford (1954)
  - 9. Dreams
- 10. John Logie Baird (TV pioneer)
  - 11. Portugal
  - 12. Nevil Shute
  - 13. Sackbut
  - 14. Plymouth
  - 15. Aardvark
  - 16. Beat The Chasers

#### And the answers to Gordon's posers.

- 1. Badger's shade Brockley
- 2. Cemetery for chickens Henbury
- 3. Scratching a living here? Itchington
- 4. Ecclesiastical eminence Churchill

## Covid-19 Restrictions (Updated 17<sup>th</sup> May)

#### Please be reminded the following applies to our worship in church so we can remain open.

• If you have symptoms please stay at home and worship with us on-line (all our services are Livestreamed).

- Masks must be worn (if you cannot wear a mask please consider a visor)
- Please use the hand sanitizer provided on entering the church and when reading at the lectern
- Please provide your contact details for Track and Trace or use the QR code
- Please follow the one-way system using the direction arrows on the aisles
- The government and Church of England Guidelines prevent any socialising in church apart from within your own households or bubbles, otherwise the two-metre 'rule' applies for communal worship.
- Please refrain from speaking to anyone before the service.
- Once seated please remain in your seat.
- At the end of the service please leave via the South Door.
- <u>Please refrain from entering the Vestry</u>, this is for Clergy and Servers only.
- Keep the South doorway clear for others to exit and do not re-enter the church once left.
- Please be reminded the rule of 30 applies outside the church.



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.

If you need to contact a Churchwarden please contact Nicola Coaker or Nick Dixon. Nicola can be contacted on 07940759891 or email her at <u>churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk</u> 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

Please follow us on our new website at: <u>https://www.stjohns-clevedon.org.uk/</u> or at

<u>www.achurchnearyou.com/church/111185/</u> 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.



## St John's, Sunday Club

#### Sunday 6 June 2021 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity

## **Owning Up**

#### Bible readings – Genesis 3: 8-15

#### **Questions**

What have you done wrong that you found hard to own up to?

How did God punish the man and his wife? What would you have done?

Is following God about rules or about being in a relationship with him?

#### **Prayer suggestion**

Pray that our relationship with God grows more each day

Lord Jesus, we would like to be on your team To fight against evil and to do good Help us to be your friend And to work for you and your kingdom. Let us not give into evil but seek to help you. Amen

#### This week's challenge

Be prepared to own up when you make mistakes

#### **Activity suggestions**

• Puzzles, word searches and colouring in the Young Church Mag (YCM)

for this week based on Mark 3: 20-35

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)