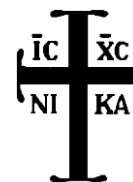




# St John the Evangelist

## Newsletter



SUNDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2022

THIRD BEFORE ADVENT

If you wish to contribute to the next edition of the newsletter, please email [office@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk](mailto:office@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk) marking your email 'Newsletter Article' by **12 noon Thursdays weekly**.

### Church Services (also on-line)

**Saturday 5 November**

**NO MASS**

**Sunday 6 November – Third before Advent**

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Robert Ward

18.00 Faure's Requiem Mass – Clevedon Choral Society

**Monday 7 November**

18.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

**Tuesday 8 November – All Saints of England**

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

**Wednesday 9 November**

10.00 Mass – Revd Prebendary John Andrews

**Thursday 10 November – St Leo the Great**

12.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

**Friday 11 November – St Martin of Tours**

10.00 BCP Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

**Saturday 12 November**

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

**Sunday 13 November – Remembrance Sunday**

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evensong

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

2 Maccabees 7:1-2 & 9-14 (Reader: Helen)

Psalm 17

***R: I shall be filled when I awake with the sight of your glory, O Lord***

2 Thessalonians 2:16 – 3:5 (Reader: Celia)

St Luke 20:27 (28-33); 34-38

Intercessor – Debra

### Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear friends,

When you read this our Parish Pilgrimage will be in Walsingham. For some it will be their first encounter with this holy place, others of us have been visitors for years. A candle burns for our parish - that is for you - in the Holy House. You can find out about the shrine here's a link <https://www.walsinghamanglican.org.uk/>. Please pray for us. We will pray for you. If you have any specific intercessions you would like offered at the Shrine, please WhatsApp them to me and I will include them at our Masses. I am grateful to Fr Robert for covering Sunday's morning Mass. Please don't forget the visit of Clevedon Choral Society to sing Faure's Requiem at 6pm on Sunday evening. The Bible teaches in the Book of Revelation, Isaiah's prophecies, (and many other places) that the final event is the Resurrection of the Dead, and the merger of heaven and earth. Heaven will come down to earth, healing and re-creating it and making all things new. We will rise to new life and live again on a new earth, an earth in which all things spiritual and heavenly are visible and surround us. In other words, we will see God everyday. He will no longer be hidden, but will be our constant light. And yet it is not time for that final Resurrection and New Earth/Heaven yet. Meanwhile, we wait here on earth, and we wait with Christ after we die.

So. When a person dies now in Christ, they go to be with him. While with him they are waiting. The most vivid place that this is described in Scripture is in the Book of Revelation. The Martyrs are saying "how long, O Lord?" This is a reference to [Psalm 13](#), which speaks of crying out in death, yet trusting in the Lord. Those who die in Christ are at peace, and yet are waiting. Their existence is not yet complete.

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When we work, we work.  
When we pray, God works.

Hudson Taylor

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Paul says they wait with us for the Resurrection. A human being will never be complete without a renewed, Resurrected body walking on a new earth. We were made for that. That is who we are in our fulness. So while they are at peace and rest in Christ, they long for the Resurrection with us.

Now we know that we are One Body with those in Christ who have died. Christ is not divided between heaven and earth. He holds us all together, living and dead, in one communion of the saints. So, in that sense, we are with them, and they are with us.

With all of this in mind, it is right and good to pray *for* those who are “asleep in Christ.” We are praying for them as they await his Resurrection, and that we might follow their examples of faith until that day too.

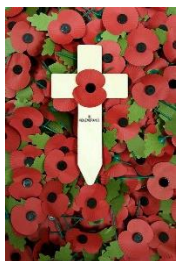
With the assurance of my prayers,

Fr Brendan

## PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

<b>Saturday 5 November</b>	Our Lady of Walsingham and all pilgrims to the Shrine, particularly our own St John's Cell
<b>Sunday 6 November</b>	Our Church and parish and the residents of Wickfield and Hayward Close
<b>Monday 7 November</b>	All sufferers of cancer and their carers and nurses
<b>Tuesday 8 November</b>	Saints and martyrs of England
<b>Wednesday 9 November</b>	Margery Kempe, a contemporary of Julian of Norwich and all women who forsake everything earthly for their faith
<b>Thursday 10 November</b>	Our Thursday market, its traders and customers. Leo the Great – Bishop of Rome
<b>Friday 11 November</b>	Martin of Tours and all who care for the poor and destitute
<b>Saturday 12 November</b>	Our Lady of Walsingham, the shrine dedicated to her, Fr Kevin, priest administrator and his team. St Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr.
<b>Sunday 13 November</b>	Our Church and parish and the residents of Windsor Close, Newport Close and Bradford Close



### Remembrance Sunday – 13 November

There is a tray of Royal British Legion poppies at the back of the Church. Please give generously. The tray will be removed on 14 November.



**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.



## CLEVEDON FOOD BANK NOTICES

### OPENING HOURS OVER CHRISTMAS (please note in your diary...)

#### OPEN:

Clevedon

**Monday 19th** - Friday 23rd December 2022

**Friday 30th December** (open normal times thereafter)

Yatton Foodbank Open as normal 9.30am - 11.30am


Nailsea Foodbank - open as normal Fridays 12.30-2.30

Portishead Foodbank - open as normal Fridays 12 pm - 2 pm

#### CLOSED:

**Monday 26th** December (Boxing Day)

For emergencies outside those times, our mobile phone (07722 769529) will be monitored and we will endeavor to get back to you as soon as possible.

Donation/activity	Most helpful if with us by
<b>Advent calendars:</b> these mean so much more if they're in children's hands at the right time!	Last two weeks in November, please!
<b>Donations of vouchers:</b> As a change to previous years we will no longer be accepting Christmas gifts- we have asked for vouchers (£5 & £10) High street, Supermarkets.  For anyone wishing to donate direct - these are our bank details Clevedon and District Foodbank CIO Account Number: 41477102 Sort Code: 40-17-50	Friday 1st December, please...  
<b>Donations of Christmas food:</b> please check our website and social media for the most-wanted items – this will be regularly updated.	The first week of December, please! (Please check the sell-by/use-by dates are long enough...)

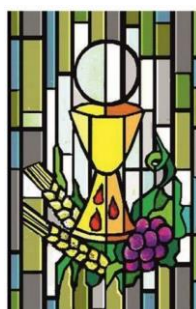


With Christmas in mind, Clevedon Foodbank would particularly appreciate gifts of :-

Tins of ham	Pringles, or similar tubs of crisps
Tins of salmon	Christmas puddings
Savoury biscuits and crackers	
Chocolate logs	Christmas cakes
Supermarket food vouchers	

Your donations can be brought to Church (as soon as possible please) and left in the plastic bucket in the porch. They will be delivered to the Food Bank by the first week of December.

### 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.

### Plant Sale May/June 2023

Please start thinking about this. If you are taking cuttings or splitting plants this autumn, please do a few extra for the church plant sale.



## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

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

<b>Sunday 30 October</b>	Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass
<b>Saturday 19 November</b>	Christmas Fayre in the Church Hall – 2.00 to 4.00 pm. Details to follow.
<b>Sunday 20 November</b>	Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass
<b>Saturday 3 December</b>	Christmas Wreath Making in the Church Hall – 10.00 to 12.00 am. Details to follow.
<b>Saturday 3 December</b>	Children's Christmas Trail. 2.00 to 4.00 pm. Details to follow.
<b>Sunday 11 December</b>	Children's Christmas Trail. 2.00 to 4.00 pm. Details to follow.
<b>Friday 6 January</b>	Details to follow.
<b>Saturday 18 February</b>	Jumble Sale in the Church Hall – 14.00 to 16.00. Details to follow.

## **Offertory Collection**

A recent review has resulted in a decision to continue with a retiring collection for all services, the collection plate is located just inside the church entrance, as is our Electronic Payment Card Reader for those of you who prefer not to carry cash (very much like the King) and wish to donate to the work of St John's.

Thank you to all the members of our church community near and far, who regularly make generous donations to the work of our church through the Planned Giving Scheme and have consented to gift aiding their donations to increase the amount we can receive into our church funds.

Planned Giving Scheme standing order forms are available inside the south door entrance. If you wish to join this scheme, please ask for more details from Nicola or Gary, Churchwardens or Fiona, PCC Treasurer. Thank you.

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)

### **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 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.



## **ADVANCE NOTICE !!**

PLEASE PUT THIS DATE IN YOUR DIARIES – IT IS THE DAY BEFORE ADVENT SUNDAY. WE NEED TO GIVE OUR BEAUTIFUL CHURCH A DEEP CLEAN BEFORE ADVENT BEGINS SO THAT WHEN CHRISTMAS COMES WE ARE ALL READY WITH A CLEAN AND TIDY CHURCH.

The floors need sweeping, the cobwebs dislodging, brass cleaned, furniture polished – if we have lots of volunteers it will be a fun morning and much will be achieved.

There will be coffee and refreshments but they will be rewards for lots of elbow grease.

**PLEASE JOIN US AFTER MASS ON SATURDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER.** Sandra Coker and Diane Woolf



# St John's Christmas Fayre

## in the Church Hall, Queen's Road, Clevedon, BS21 7TH

### Saturday 19 November

### 2.00 to 4.00 pm

Grand Raffle, sweets and chocolate raffle, refreshments, stalls including books, cakes and preserves, crafts, jewellery, Christmas decorations, and bottle tombola

#### Jam jars



We are looking for jam jars (no lids necessary) to make preserves for the Church Christmas Fayre. Please leave at the back of church.

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.

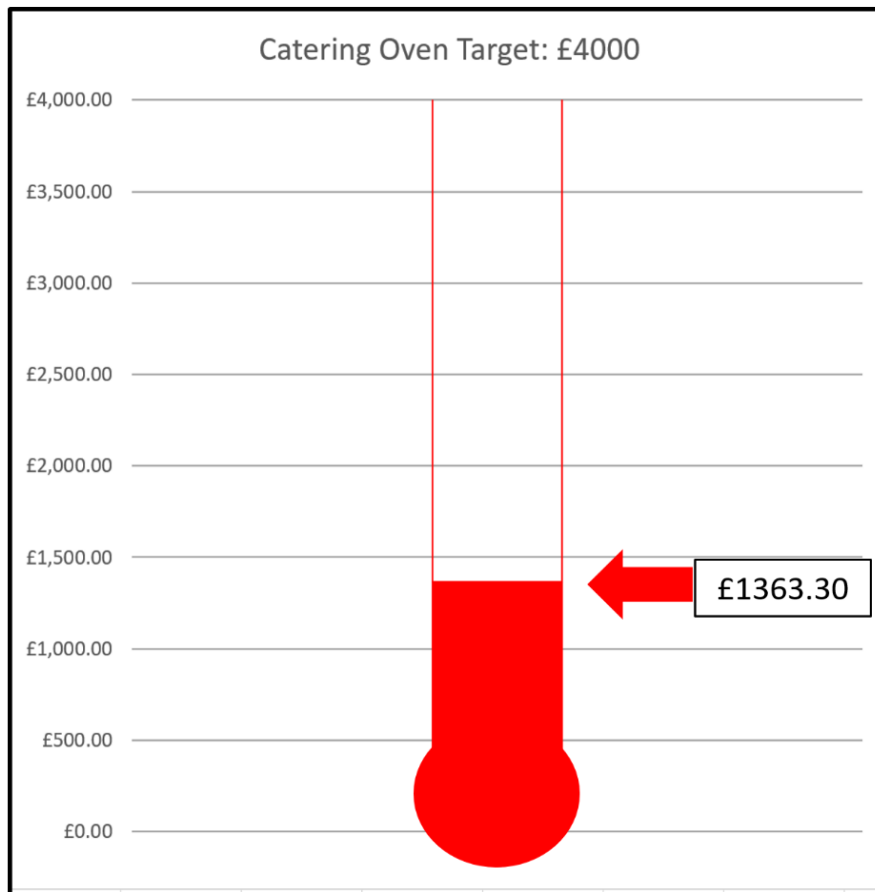


#### Fund Raise as You Shop

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/>



## Christmas Wreath Workshop

Saturday 3rd Dec 2022

10.00am-12.00pm.

St John's Church Hall, Queen's Road,  
Clevedon.

All materials and tuition provided

£25.00

Includes light refreshments.

All proceeds to St John's Church Hall  
Restoration Fund.

To book email:

[SarahLewis@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk](mailto:SarahLewis@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk)





### 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.

## It's Shoebox Time!

**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 13 November. Alternatively you can pack a shoebox online at [shoeboxonline.samaritans-purse.org.uk](https://shoeboxonline.samaritans-purse.org.uk). The intention this year is to send boxes to Ukraine, and to nearby countries such as Moldova and Romania which have taken lots of refugees. Thank you.



### 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

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 emailed at [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**

**The Office Number is 07522 494 504**

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# **And last but by no means least .....**

## **Celia Quiz answers !!**

1. Silas
2. 1950
3. Algeria
4. Daley Thompson
5. 12th
6. 1888
7. Lurcher
8. Doc. Martin
9. Partial Solar Eclipse
10. Cato Street
11. Eden Project
12. Seven
13. Sanskrit
14. Plymouth Hoe
15. Troup
16. Lionel Bart

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a: Locking ; b: Odd Down; c: Ashcombe