

# St John the Evangelist Newsletter



SUNDAY 9 APRIL 2023

EASTER DAY IN THE LORD'S RESURRECTION

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## Church Services (also on-line)

### Saturday 8 April – Holy Saturday

10.00 Morning Prayer - Fr Brendan Clover

20.00 Easter Vigil – Fr Brendan Clover

### Sunday 9 April – Easter Day in the Lord's Resurrection

10.30 Solemn Mass– Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer and Benediction

### Monday 10 April

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

### Tuesday 11 April

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare

### Wednesday 12 April

18.00 Mass – Fr Robert Ward

### Thursday 13 April

19.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

### Friday 14 April

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

### Saturday 15 April

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare

### Sunday 16 April – Divine Mercy Sunday

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer

## Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear friends,

During the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night, the Church reads the account of creation as a prophesy. In the resurrection of Jesus Christ, we see the most sublime fulfilment of what this text describes as the beginning of all things. God says once again: '*Let there be light!*' The resurrection of Jesus is an eruption of light. Death is conquered, the tomb is thrown open. The Risen One is himself Light, the Light of the World, as the evangelist St John our heavenly patron describes him.

With the resurrection the Lord's day enters the night of history. Beginning with the resurrection, God's light spreads throughout the world and throughout history. Day dawns. This Light alone - Jesus Christ - is the true light, something more than the physical phenomenon of light. He is pure Light: God himself, who causes a new creation to be born in the midst of the old, transforming chaos into cosmos.

And what is true of the world order is also true of us. '*If anyone is in Christ,*' Paul tells us '*there is a new creation*'. May we be that new creation for the salvation of the world.

With my love and prayers,  
Fr Brendan

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

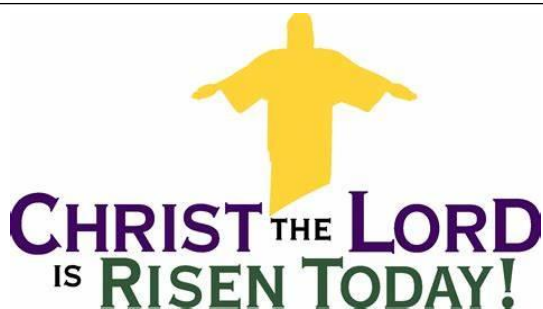
Acts 10:34a & 37-43 (Reader: Peter)

Psalms 118:1-2 & 16-17 & 22-23

**R: This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad**

Colossians 3:1-4 (Reader: Gary)

St John 20:1-9



## PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

<b>Saturday 8 April</b>	<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b> - the faithful departed
<b>Sunday 9 April</b>	<b>EASTER DAY</b> - Our church and parish and the residents of Oldfield and Claremont Gardens
<b>Monday 10 April</b>	We give thanks for those who care for and maintain our beautiful Church and grounds
<b>Tuesday 11 April</b>	The Christian Church and its members in New Zealand
<b>Wednesday 12 April</b>	We pray for the ability to show the world our joy in Christ's resurrection
<b>Thursday 13 April</b>	The Thursday market and its traders. St Martin – Pope and martyr and all persecuted for their faith
<b>Friday 14 April</b>	We pray for the parents of sons and daughters called to fight in wars they don't want, not knowing whether they will ever be reunited
<b>Saturday 15 April</b>	Our Blessed Virgin Mary and Our Lady of Walsingham and all other shrines dedicated to her
<b>Sunday 16 April</b>	<b>LOW SUNDAY</b> – Our church and parish and the residents of Newlands Green and Staples Close

### CHURCH CLEANING – SATURDAY 8 APRIL

Time is getting short to make our church look beautiful for the Easter celebrations. So, at 11.00 am on Saturday 8 April anyone not involved in flower arranging or other setting up for the special services please come with brushes, dusters and polish and help to make our church glow. The time is a little later than usual but we need to allow time for Morning Prayer.

Please come and help.

Sandra and Diane

## EASTER FLOWERS



If you would like to donate some money towards the cost of Easter flowers, please give your offering to either Gary or Nicola, the Church Wardens

## CHANGES TO MASS TIMES

Below are the new Mass times for St John's. These will take effect from Monday 10 April.



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

### *Annual Reports for the APCM*

Our **Annual Report for 2022** is in preparation, ready for our **Annual meeting and APCM on Sunday 23 April**. If you have any reports or information for inclusion in this, please pass it to Sue as soon as possible and no later than **Saturday 8 April**. [pccsecretary@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk](mailto:pccsecretary@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk)

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>Sunday 9 April</b>	Celebration Sunday – Easter Day
<b>Sunday 7 May</b>	St John's Patronal Festival and Celebration of the Coronation of King Charles Bring and Share Picnic Lunch in the Church grounds (if fine) or Church Hall
<b>Monday 8 May</b>	Mass at 12.00 noon followed by fizz at the Vicarage
<b>Monday 8 May</b>	17.30 Solemn Evensong for the Coronation sung by Clevedon Choral
<b>Thursday 11 May</b>	Recital by Matthew Clark at 19.30 with a glass of wine afterwards Tickets £10.00 to include a glass of wine
<b>Friday 12 May</b>	Betjeman evening in the Church Hall at 19.30 with light refreshments Tickets £10 to include madeira and cake
<b>Saturday 13 May</b>	Festival Concert by Clevedon Choral Society
<b>Sunday 14 May</b>	Solemn Mass followed by the dedication of the refurbished Lower Hall and Kitchen
<b>Saturday 20 May</b>	Plant Sale – 10.00 – 12 noon in the Church grounds
<b>Sunday 25 June</b>	Parish Lunch to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of Fr Brendan's ordination
<b>Saturday 15 July</b>	St John's Summer Fayre – 14.00 – 16.00 in the Church grounds
<b>Sunday 13 August</b>	Parish BBQ, after Mass
<b>Saturday 16 September</b>	Quiz Evening, time to be confirmed, in the Church Hall
<b>Sunday 1 October</b>	Harvest Lunch – 12.30 in the Church Hall
<b>Saturday 2 December</b>	Christmas Fayre – 14.00 – 16.00 in the Church Hall



## 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

**Saturday 20 May - 10-12noon**

**NEW DATE!**

**A date has now been set for our plant sale to be held  
in the  
Church grounds.**

If you are taking cuttings  
or splitting plants this winter/spring, please do a few extra for  
the church plant sale.

### 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.



**THE ORIGINAL ROCK**



**...AND ROLL**

**Parish Safeguarding: DBS Check & Renewal Drop-In**  
**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2023 10.30am-12.30pm -Lower Church Hall**

June, Parish Safeguarding Officer is holding the above event for those members of our church community that need to renew their DBS Check in their current voluntary role at St John's. On-line applications can be completed on this morning, by bringing the relevant identification documentations (please see below) for verification on the morning.

If your last check was completed three years ago it is due for renewal now as the Church of England requirements have changed requiring renewals every 3 years instead of 5. June will be contacting those church members individually who's renewals are due.

If you subscribe to the DBS Update Service, please provide June with a copy of any email confirmation or written correspondence received this year confirming your subscription is still active.

If you have any questions about this matter, the drop in morning or require further information, please speak with June Fegredo, Parish Safeguarding Officer or email : [parishsafeguardingofficer@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk](mailto:parishsafeguardingofficer@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk)

The identification documents that are acceptable and required to complete the check are as follows:

**One** of the following:

- ☐ Current valid Passport
- ☐ Biometric Residence Permit (UK)
- ☐ Current Driving Licence – photo card (UK / Isle of Man / Channel Islands) (Full or Provisional)
- ☐ Birth Certificate (UK / Isle of Man / Channel Islands) (Issued within 12 months of birth) Full or short form acceptable including those issued by UK authorities overseas, such as Embassies, High Commissions & HM Forces. (Photocopies are not acceptable)
- ☐ Adoption Certificate (UK / Channel Islands)

Plus, any **two** of the following:

Current Driving Licence – photo card only (All Countries except Group 1) (Full or Provisional)

- ☐ Current Driving Licence – paper version (UK / Isle of Man / Channel Islands) (Full or Provisional)
- ☐ Birth Certificate (UK / Isle of Man / Channel Islands) (Issued after the time of birth)
- ☐ Marriage / Civil Partnership Certificate (UK / Channel Islands)
- ☐ Fire Arms Licence (UK / Isle of Man / Channel Islands)
- ☐ Immigration document, work permit or VISA (Issued outside of UK) (Valid only for roles whereby applicant is living and working outside of UK.)

Mortgage Statement (UK) \*(Issued in last 12 months)

- ☐ Bank/Building Society Statement (UK / Channel Islands) \* Monzo statements or statements printed from the internet are not acceptable

- ☐ Bank/Building Society Account Opening Confirmation Letter (UK) \*(within last 3 months)

- ☐ Credit Card Statement (UK) \* (within last 3 months)

- ☐ Financial Statement e.g. pension, endowment, ISA (UK) \*\* (within last 12 months)

- ☐ P45/P60 Statement (UK / Channel Islands) \*\* (within last 12 months)

- ☐ Council Tax Statement (UK / Channel Islands) \*\* (within last 12 months)

- ☐ Utility Bill (UK) - Not Mobile Phone \*(within last 3 months)

- ☐ Benefit Statement (UK) e.g. Child Allowance, Pension \* (within last 3 months)

- ☐ Document from Central/ Local Government/ Government Agency/ Local Authority giving entitlement (UK / Channel Islands) \*(within last 3 months) e.g. DWP, Employment Service, HMRC, Job Centre, Social Security

- ☐ EEA National ID Card – must be valid

- ☐ Cards carrying the PASS accreditation logo (UK / Isle of Man / Channel Islands) – must be valid ☐ Irish Passport Card – must be valid (Cannot be used with an Irish Passport)

- ☐ Letter from Head Teacher or College Principal (16-19 year olds in full time education in the UK) ☐ Non-UK Bank/Building Society Statement \* Branch must be located in the country in which the applicant lives and works

- ☐ Letter of Sponsorship from future employer Non-UK only – valid only for applicants residing outside UK at time of application



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)

### 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/>

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.



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**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.

## 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.**



## Do you have talents and experience to share?

After many years of loyal and dedicated service to this parish and the PCC, with much sadness we are saying farewell to our PCC Secretary, Sue and our Treasurer, Fiona at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in April. Sue and Fiona have done a fabulous job at keeping the PCC on track procedurally and financially. We thank them so much for all they have done for St John's Church.

We are now in search of replacements for Sue and Fiona, who are difficult acts to follow. However, both these roles are supported by the diocese who run an induction programme, regular updates, access to the diocese Finance Department and the Diocesan Secretary's office, plus buddies in similar roles in other parishes, and the support of the Churchwardens, PCC Chair and relevant sub-committees at St John's.

We hope the following provides a brief insight into the roles we are looking to fill:

### PCC Secretary

The primary responsibilities of a PCC Secretary are to support the PCC Chair in the preparation and organisation of meetings and to handle all correspondence on behalf of the PCC. The Diocesan Office contacts the parish from time to time to request specific information, every effort is made to keep this to a minimum and all meeting agendas are issued and minutes stored electronically using Microsoft Office.

### PCC Treasurer

You do not need to have been a treasurer of an organisation before. In many respects it is not too dissimilar from keeping good control of household finances, however, if you have an understanding of some accountancy practice it will be useful but not essential. This role implements decisions made by the PCC. This role is also supported with diocesan induction training for new treasurers, updates and continued support throughout the financial year for all financial procedures and processes.

For further information about both roles please speak with Nicola or Gary, Churchwardens.

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

1. Barnabas
2. Edward the Confessor
3. Stour
4. Argentina
5. November 1876
6. 1981
7. Stamen
8. Igor Stravinsky
9. Sirius
10. Trajan
11. House, Field, Harvest
12. James May
13. Argent
14. 1880s
15. Tenerife
16. Lucy Snowe

GORDON'S

a: Coleford Water; b: Courtway; c: Sidbrook

If you need to contact a Churchwarden please contact Nicola Coaker or Gary Lewis. Nicola can be 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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## NOTICE OF ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Parish of Clevedon St John the Evangelist

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held in Church on the 23 day of April 2023 at noon

For election of parochial representatives of the laity as follows –

1To the Deanery Synod 2 representatives.

To the Parochial Church Council 3 representatives.

For the appointment of the Independent Examiner or Auditor.

For the consideration of:

(a) a report on changes to the Roll since the last annual parochial church meeting  
(b) an Annual Report on the proceedings of the parochial church council and the activities of the parish generally;

(c) the financial statements of the council for the year ending on the 31st December preceding the meeting;

(d) the annual report on the fabric, goods and ornaments of the church or churches of the parish;

(e) a report of the proceedings of the deanery synod; and

(f) other matters of parochial or general Church interest.

In this Notice, 'parish' means an ecclesiastical parish.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Minister of the parish

# Notes

1 Every lay person whose name is entered on the Church Electoral Roll of the parish (and no other person) is entitled to vote at the election of parochial representatives of the laity.

2 A person is qualified to be elected a parochial representative of the laity if –

(a) his or her name is entered on the Church Electoral Roll of the parish and, unless he or is under 18, has been entered there for at least the preceding six months;

(b) he or she is an actual communicant (which means that he has received Communion according to the use of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with the Church of England at least three times during the twelve months preceding the date of the election);

(c) he or she is at least 16; and

(d) he or she is not disqualified as referred to in paragraph 3 of these Notes.

3 (1) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a churchwarden or a member of a parochial church council, a district church council or a joint council if the person is disqualified from being a trustee of a charity (and the disqualification is not subject to a waiver which permits membership of a parochial church council, district church council or joint council).

(2) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council, a district church council, a joint council or a deanery synod if the person is included in a barred list (within the meaning of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006).

(3) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council, a district church council, a joint council or a deanery synod if the person has been convicted of an offence mentioned in Schedule 1 to the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 (with that expression being construed in accordance with Rule 71(2) of the Church Representation Rules).

(4) A person's disqualification under sub-paragraph (3) may be waived by the bishop of the diocese by giving the person notice in writing.

(5) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council if the person has been disqualified from holding office under section 10(6) of the Incumbent (Vacation of Benefices) Measure 1977.

43 A scheme is in operation in this parish which provides that any person entitled to vote in the elections of parochial representatives of the laity to the parochial church council or to the deanery synod or to both may apply on the appropriate form to the Minister of the parish (or other person signing below) for a postal vote. The completed form must be received before the commencement of the annual parochial church meeting.

## NOTICE OF A MEETING FOR THE ELECTION OF CHURCHWARDENS

Parish of Clevedon St John the Evangelist

A meeting for the election of churchwardens will be held in the Church on 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April 2023 at Noon.

This meeting may be attended by:

1. All persons whose names are entered on the church electoral roll of the parish and
2. All persons resident in the parish whose names are entered on a register of local government electors by reason of such residence.

Under section 5A of the Churchwardens' Measure 2001,<sup>1</sup> an appeal against the election of a churchwarden may be made by any person entitled to take part in this meeting or by a candidate in the election. An appeal may be made against the election of any person on any of the following grounds:

1. That the person was not duly elected,
2. That the person was not qualified to be a candidate at the time of election,
3. That before the election was held, the person misrepresented a material fact in connection with the election,
4. That the conduct of the election was such as to affect its outcome,
5. That it has been determined that an error was made in the roll or that question is awaiting determination, and that error would or might be material to the election result;
6. That a vote which was allowed should have been disallowed, or that should have been disallowed was allowed, but only if that would or might have been material to the election result.

Any person who wishes to make an appeal should consult the Minister or the lay chair of the deanery Synod as to the appropriate procedure.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Minister

Dated \_\_\_\_\_

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<sup>1</sup> Substituted by Church Representation Rules (Amendment) Resolution 2020/406, Part 2 rule 10(3) (consequential amendments) (July 2020). The full text is available at [www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2020/406](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2020/406)