



St John the Evangelist Newsletter



SUNDAY 10 APRIL 2022

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

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)

Sunday 10 April – Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Talk, Devotion and Benediction

Monday 11 April

12.00 Chrism Mass at Bristol Cathedral

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Tuesday 12 April

10.00 Mass and Stations of the Cross
– Fr Brendan Clover

Wednesday 13 April

10.00 Mass – Fr Robert Ward

Thursday 14 April - Maundy Thursday

19.30 Liturgy of the Last Supper and Watch of the
Passion – Fr Brendan Clover

Friday 15 April – Good Friday in the Lord's Passion

10.00 Stations of the Cross – Fr Brendan Clover

14.00 Liturgy of the Lord's Death

Saturday 16 April – Holy Saturday

10.00 Morning Prayer – Fr Brendan Clover

20.00 Liturgy of the Lord's Resurrection

Sunday 17 April – EASTER DAY IN THE LORD'S RESURRECTION

10.30 Solemn Mass – Rt Revd Mike Hill

17.30 Evening Prayer and Solemn Benediction

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

Isaiah 50:4-7 (*Reader: Mark*)

Psalm 22

R: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Philippians 2:6-11 (*Reader: Celia*)

St Luke 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49

Intercessor – Martin

Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear friends,

Holy Week is magnificent, challenging, powerful, exhausting, intriguing and utterly remarkable! Each year we dive out of our own space and time to be immersed in the great events of salvation – not as a memory or a story, but as a reality which changes our lives and world in a way beyond imagining. Much of this is achieved through the celebration of the liturgy.

The three days ('Triduum') of THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, are the climax of the whole Christian year – the celebration of the paschal mystery. The Jewish Pasch or Passover from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the Promised Land anticipated and prefigured our Passover from the darkness and slavery of sin to the light of new life in Christ. The three days make up one single celebration of our one Passover from death to life.

Each day we focus on a different aspect of that one Passover. On MAUNDY THURSDAY we celebrate the signs of the new covenant – the sacraments. We celebrate especially the Eucharist in which Christ gives himself for us: 'This is my body which will be given up for you.' The sacrifice of the 'new and eternal covenant' between God and his people. But also, since liturgy must flow out of and into life, we celebrate and show our love for others. The love we show is a sign of the covenant of love between us and God.

On GOOD FRIDAY we celebrate Christ as our Paschal Lamb who takes away the sin of the world.

On HOLY SATURDAY NIGHT – the most important moment of the year – we celebrate the fulfilment of Christ's Passover from death to life and our Passover with him to new life. The liturgy of the Triduum is the way we celebrate publicly the Easter Mystery. It commemorates not only the historical events but celebrates and makes present their saving effect for us in our parish in 2022.

I cannot overstate how important and significant these celebrations are for each one of us as we celebrate our membership of the Body of Christ.

Ever,

Fr Brendan



RECOMMENDED LENT READING

Entering the Twofold Mystery by Eric Varden

Erik Varden became Bishop of Trondheim in his native Norway in 2019. This, his second book, is a meditation on the religious life, on the life of Christ, and the call to live in community.

The Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book this year is

Embracing Justice by Isabelle Hamley. Isabelle is the Archbishop's former chaplain, now theological adviser to the House of Bishops. Her knowledge as an Old Testament scholar shines forth in the first three chapters on Genesis, Exodus and liberation. The remaining chapters deal with the Incarnation, the Crucifixion and Holy Communion.

in **The Way of the Franciscans - A Prayer Journey through Lent** Daniel Horan offers insights from Franciscans across the ages. There are questions for reflection or discussion.

Richard Harries, former Bishop of Oxford, offers us **Hearing God in poetry - Fifty poems for Lent and Easter**. Each chapter is a poem and a short reflection on the poet, poem and some gentle theology.

Henry Martin is a retired prison chaplain retired to France where he devotes his time to writing, painting, his husband and their dog. **Vincent van Gogh and the Good Samaritan** recalls Henri Nouwen's classic on the prodigal son.

SUNDAY EVENINGS IN LENT

Concluding this Sunday, 10 April, a series entitled 'Talk, Devotion, and Benediction - an opportunity for all to engage with the Festival Icons' at 5.30 pm in Church.



Easter Flowers

If you would like to contribute to the cost of Easter flowers, please speak to Margaret or Debra, or leave your donation on the plate, labelled 'Easter Flowers', which is at the back of the Church.

Annual Parish Meeting

Advance notice that our Annual Parish Meeting and APCM will be held on **Sunday 24 April** following the 10.30 Mass. If you have any items you wish to appear in the annual report, please let me have them **as soon as possible**.

Many thanks

Sue Rossiter

pccsecretary@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk

Please see the official notices of the APCM and the Election of Church Wardens which are towards the back of this newsletter.



HOLY WEEK AT ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST CLEVEDON



PALM SUNDAY - 10 APRIL

10.30am **PROCESSION OF PALMS,
PASSION GOSPEL AND SOLEMN MASS**
5.30pm LENT COURSE LECTURE, DEVOTION
AND BENEDICTION



HOLY MONDAY - 11 APRIL

12 Noon **CHRISM MASS** AT BRISTOL CATHEDRAL
Celebrant: The Lord Bishop of Chichester
6pm MASS



HOLY TUESDAY - 12 APRIL

10am MASS and STATIONS OF THE CROSS



HOLY WEDNESDAY – 13 APRIL

10am MASS



MAUNDY THURSDAY - 14 APRIL

7.30pm **LITURGY OF THE LAST SUPPER,
WATCH OF THE PASSION**



GOOD FRIDAY - 15 APRIL

10am STATIONS OF THE CROSS
2pm **LITURGY OF THE LORD'S DEATH**



HOLY SATURDAY - 16 APRIL

10am MORNING PRAYER
8pm **LITURGY OF THE RESURRECTION**



EASTER DAY - 17 APRIL

10.30am **SOLEMN MASS**
Preacher: Rt Revd Mike Hill
5.30pm EVENING PRAYER AND SOLEMN
BENEDICTION

PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

Sunday 10 April	Our Church and parish and all who live in Newlands Green and Staples Close
Monday 11 April	The Church in New Zealand
Tuesday 12 April	Those who care for, and maintain our beautiful Church and grounds
Wednesday 13 April	St Martin Pope, martyrs and all persecuted for their faith
Thursday 14 April, Maundy Thursday	All facing a violent death
Friday 15 April, Good Friday	All murdered for preaching the Word of God
Saturday 16 April, Holy Saturday	The faithful departed
Sunday 17 April, Easter Day	Our Church and parish and the residents of Stonebridge

CHURCH CLEANING

THANK YOU, to all who turned out a couple of weeks ago to begin cleaning our church. It very quickly became obvious that it is going to take some time to get to grips with all that needs doing.

On Saturday 16th April, after Morning Prayer at 10.00 am we are going to meet again and this time we would like folk with long arms and very long feather dusters to dislodge some very big cobwebs from the dark corners of the church and in front of our beautiful stained glass windows.

The floor needs sweeping and washing. The wall tiles need washing and drying. Please come along with dusters, brushes, mops and lots of enthusiasm and energy. You will be rewarded with a gleaming church and maybe coffee and doughnuts!!

Thank you, Sandra and Diane.



CTiC United Service – Queens Square - Good Friday 15th April 11.45-12.15

We would love you to join us for a short service in Queens Square to celebrate the life of Jesus and that he gave his life on the cross for us. There will be a short talk, hymns/songs and prayers, and a time for laying flowers at the base of the cross with refreshments afterwards at Clevedon Baptist church

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

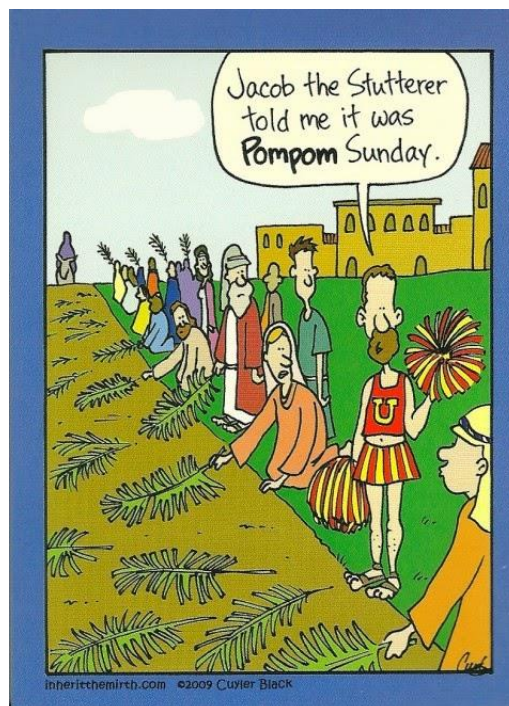
Tuesday 12 April and Wednesday 13 April	Easter Egg Hunt and Pop up Café in the Church (details later in this newsletter)
Sunday 17 April Easter Day	Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in the Vicarage after Mass
Sunday 24 April Friday 6 May St John's Patronal Festival	Annual Parish Meeting and APCM after Mass Festival Mass at 19.30: Revd. Canon Peter Newby, Canon of Westminster Cathedral will be our preacher followed by wine and refreshments in the Church Hall Lunch Time Concert
Saturday 7 May Sunday 5 June HM the Queen's Platinum Jubilee	Parish Picnic in the Church grounds
Sunday 26 June Saturday 16 July Sunday 24 July Sunday 21 August	Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass Summer Fête in the Church grounds Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass

Easter Biscuits

Last chance to order Betty's famous Easter Biscuits.

Please place your orders on Sunday.

All donations to church funds.



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.

Clevedon Foodbank is still in of donations to support people in need in Clevedon and the surrounding area. Rising prices for electricity, gas, petrol and food add to the difficulties of those affected by illness, disability, bereavement, unemployment or low wages.

The foodbank would appreciate donations of the following:

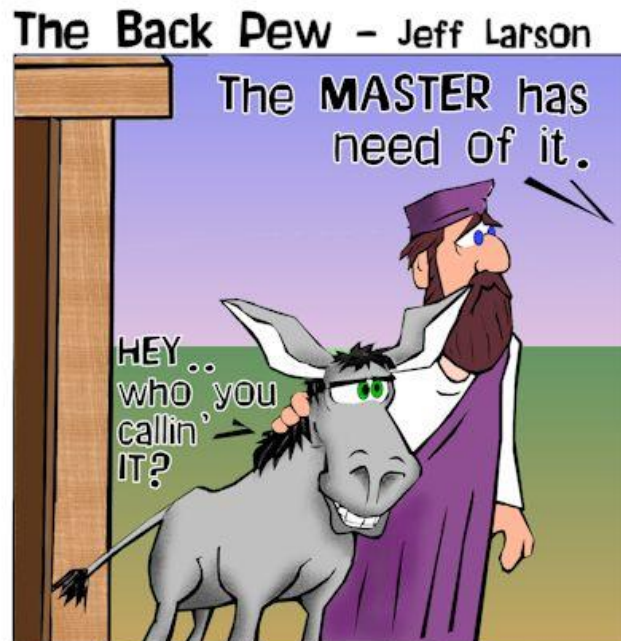
Tinned fruit
Instant Coffee
Instant Mash Potato
Toilet Rolls
Microwavable Rice
Jam
Long Life Milk
Cat food
Tinned pasta
Toiletries
Laundry Powder/ Liquid

Donations of food may be brought to church and put into the purple bin in the porch, taken to the Food Bank depot in Knowles Road on Monday or Friday mornings, or put into the collection bin at Tesco's in Clevedon (Sainsbury's in Portishead, Waitrose in Nailsea). Tesco's add 20% to the value of donations.

For more information and how to ask for help if you need it, see their website at clevedondistrict.foodbank.org.uk, or contact them on info@clevedondistrict.foodbank.org.uk or tel. 07722 769529



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. 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.



and Jesus sent 2 disciples into town to get a donkey for Jesus to ride that first Palm Sunday. **Mt 21** but the chosen donkey copped an attitude over his assigned role.

CELIA'S LATEST QUIZ

THINK ABOUT IT

1. Nard
2. 1807
3. Goldcrest
4. Six
5. March 1864
6. 1981
7. Shikoku
8. 1972
9. Ebony
10. 1901
11. Asteroid Belt
12. Born Free
13. Temperature
14. Plantagenet
15. Root
16. Michael Palin

GORDON

a:North End

b: Batch

c:Kings Weston;

d:Horfield

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

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 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



The Vicarage telephone number is 01275 879617

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.

Easter Egg Trail, Easter Crafts and Pop-up Cafe



Looking for something fun to do during the Easter Holidays with the children?

St. John's Church, Clevedon are running Easter egg trails for all ages and children's Easter crafts with a pop-up café for mums and dads.

£2.50 per child

@St. John's Church, Queen's Road
Clevedon BS21 7TH.

Tuesday 12TH April and Wednesday
13TH April 2-4pm.



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

NOTICE OF ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Parish of

CLEVEDON ST JOHN

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held in **church**

on the **24** day of **April** 20**22**

For election of parochial representatives of the laity as follows -

~~1 To the Deanery Synod~~ ~~representatives~~

To the Parochial Church Council **8** 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 OR 2 a report on the numbers entered on the new Roll;

(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;

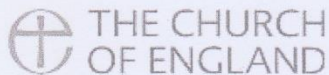
(e) a report of the proceedings of the deanery synod; and

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

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

Signed _____

Minister of the parish



NOTICE OF A MEETING FOR

THE ELECTION OF CHURCHWARDENS

Parish of CLEVEDON ST JOHN

A meeting for the election of churchwardens will be held in

Church

on 24 day of April at 11.15 am (after Mass)

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 2001,¹ 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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¹ 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

Sunday 10th April 2022 – Palm Sunday
Crucified

Bible reading: Luke 23: 1 - 49

Questions

Why is Good Friday called Good Friday?

How do you think Jesus' friends felt as they watched him facing death?

Could Jesus have stopped this happening?

Prayer suggestion: - Thank Jesus for going to the cross for you.

*Jesus, we welcome you with joy
And with shouts of Hosanna
For you are our King and the Prince of Peace
In our hearts, in our homes and in the world.
Amen.*

This week's challenge: Read the whole Easter story this week (Luke chapters 22-24)

Activity suggestions:

- Activity sheet for Palm Sunday

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