

## St John the Evangelist **Newsletter**



**SUNDAY 10 JULY 2022** 

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

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#### **Church Services (also on-line)**

#### Saturday 9 July

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

#### Sunday 10 July - FIFteenth Sunday

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer

#### Monday 11 July – St Benedict

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

#### Tuesday 12 July

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

#### Wednesday 13 July

10.00 Mass - Fr Robert Ward

#### Thursday 14 July

12.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

#### Friday 15 July - St Swithun

10.00 BCP Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

#### Saturday 16 July

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

#### Sunday 17 July - Sixteenth Sunday

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

Deuteronomy 30:10-14 (Reader: Helen)

Psalm 69

R: Seek the Lord, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.

Colossians 1:15-20 (Reader: Cameron)

St Luke 10:25-37

Intercessor - Martin

Faith is to believe what we do not see, and the reward of this faith is to see what we believe.

Augustine

#### **Words from Fr Brendan Clover**

Dear friends,

After a meeting of the Worship Committee this evening I am writing about two elements of our worshipping life.

The first is easy to deal with. We will shortly be reintroducing the Offertory Procession when the elements (the bread and the wine) are brought to the altar on Sunday mornings by members of the congregation. In ancient times bread and wine were received by the deacons who placed by them on the altar. Members of the local congregation were normally in charge of baking the bread and acquiring wine, so this served as a practical time within the liturgy for the necessary elements for Mass to be presented. The faithful are encouraged at this time to join the offering in a spiritual way and place our own hearts on the altar, so that we might be transformed in a mystical way into the "body" of Christ.

'To partake of this food of God, to sit at this banquet of love, all indeed are invited; but among the attending guests, the honoured and preferred are the "poor" in spirit, the humble and the lowly, — in short, all that have emptied their hearts and divested them of the love of the goods of this earth, and who, therefore, hunger and thirst after the imperishable food of heaven. These "poor in spirit will eat" at the table of the Lord and be "filled." The second discussion was around the Common Cup. Currently there is the opportunity to intinct the host in the Precious Blood. Some do; some don't. Most churches have reverted to the common cup, drinking from the chalice. This is not obligatory because the Lord is totally present in the Host and he is totally present in the Precious Blood, and to receive Holy Communion in one kind has been mainstream at least in the Roman Catholic church for years. With the increase in the number of COVID cases locally, and having regard to those of us who may feel vulnerable, we have decided to keep on doing what we are doing: to offer the chalice for you to intinct the host, or for you to receive in one kind only. We think it is important that you know we are keeping the situation under review, but at this time we are advocating the status quo. With my love and prayers,

Fr Brendan

#### **PRAYER DIARY**

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

Sunday 10 JulyOur church, our parish and the residents of Shelley AvenueMonday 11 JulySt Benedict of Nursia, the father of Western monasticism

Tuesday 12 July The anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne and for peace between all denominations in

Ireland

Wednesday 13 July The air ambulance and all its pilots, doctors and mechanics

**Thursday 14 July** John Keble, priest. Bastille Day and French people throughout the world

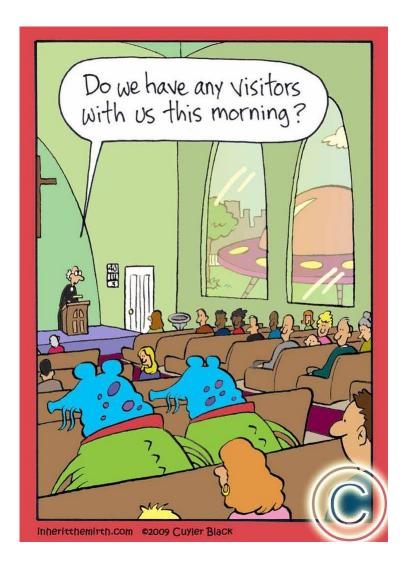
Friday 15 July
St Swithin, St Bonaventure and all churches under his patronage. World Youth Skills Day
Our Lady of Walsingham and Our Lady of Mount Carmel in the Holy Land and all churches in

this land who bear her name

Sunday 17 July Our Church, our parish and the residents of Griffin Road and Parnell Road

#### **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.



APPEAL for small (and quiet) children's toys or jigsaws to go into the play sacks we are planning to place at the back of the Church. Please speak to Nicola if you think you may be able to help and/or have something suitable.



#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

(All subject to there being no changes in Covid restrictions

Saturday 16 July Summer Fête in the Church grounds Sunday 24 July Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass Monday 1 August 2.00 – 4.00 Summer Workshop – Build a Water Rocket **Tuesday 2 August** 2.00 - 4.00 Summer Workshop – Willow Weaving: Make a bird feeder **Sunday 14 August** Parish BBQ at The Vicarage after Mass **Tuesday 16 August** 2.00 – 4.00 Summer Workshop – We're going on a Bug Hunt Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass Sunday 21 August Australian Evening – an entertaining talk with Aussie wine and extras **September TBC Sunday 30 October** Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass **Sunday 20 November** Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass

Fr Brendan and the members of the PCC are appealing for folk with enthusiasm to share their talents, and experience to join one of our four sub committees:

**Finance** Increasing parish income, grant applications

Fabric Maintenance, Repair and upkeep of our church building and hall

Worship

**Community** (formerly Social) Out reach within our community and outside the parish, including

Children's School Holiday activities and parish celebrations and fund raising events

Please give very serious consideration to offering your time in God's service on one of these committees

#### SUMMER WORKSHOPS FOR CHILDREN

Three FREE summer workshops will take place in and around the Church/Church Hall on 1, 2 and 16 August between 2.00 and 4.00 pm. There will be a pop-up café serving tea/coffee/squash and cakes.

The workshops are Build a Water Rocket (9-13 year olds), Willow Weaving Bird Feeders (10+ year olds, though younger children are welcome to take part with parental help) and We're Going on a Bug Hunt (3-10 year olds). Children must be accompanied by an adult who must remain in the Church grounds.

Please see the Diary above. If you are able to help with serving refreshments or making a cake, please speak to Sarah Lewis.



#### ST JOHN'S SUMMER FETE

#### **NEXT SATURDAY 16 JULY**

Our church fete is on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2-4pm. We are looking for donations for stalls; bags are in the back of church for your donations. We are looking for the following:-

- Books
- Toiletries
- Food items for a raffle hamper (first prize)
- Other raffle prizes e.g. chocolates, wine etc
- Bottles (all sorts e.g. from tomato sauce to spirits!)
- Offers of cakes (please see the list and sign up to offer) for cake stall and refreshments
- Jewellery
- Plants (to be brought on the day)
- Bags
- Scarves

We are especially short of toiletries and high quality food items for the food hamper. All donations (with the exception of cakes) should be brought to Church **this Sunday**, **10 July**.

If you have offered your help with setting up or staffing a stall, please come ready to begin at 11.45 am.



### SUNDAY 14 AUGUST AT THE VICARAGE

Tickets for the annual BBQ will be on sale from Sunday 17 July. The cost is £5.00 per person, under 16's eat for free. The ticket will cover the cost of meat and essential BBQ fare (bread rolls, a simple green salad, ketchup etc). Hot food will be available from 12.30 pm. If you would like to supply a more elaborate salad, or a dessert, please add your name to the list which will be in Church next Sunday. Please speak to Nicola or Debra for further information.





# St John's Church Summer Fete Queen's Road Clevedon. Saturday 16th July 2-4pm.

Stalls Refreshments Children's games Bouncy Castle Grand Raffle Tombola



**Clevedon Foodbank** is still in need 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.

During the 6-week school summer holidays, they anticipate that they will give out over 300 lunch bag parcels to school-aged children to fill the gap without school meals. The majority of the items listed below will be used in the lunch bag parcels. If you would like to donate any of the items, it would be appreciated.

Cereal Fruit juice
Tinned pasta Rice pudding

Tinned vegetables Custard Tinned tuna Rice

Pasta sauce Cooking sauce
Biscuits Tinned meat
Soap Shower gel

Washing up liquid

Over 90% of the food distributed by foodbanks in The Trussell Trust network is donated by the public – that's why your food donations are absolutely vital to their ability to give everyone referred to them a balanced and nutritious three day supply of food.

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

#### **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 Queen) 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.

#### **CELIA'S LATEST QUIZ**

#### ANSWER ME THIS - - -

- 1.In which decade did the YMCA first become active in Clevedon?
  - 2. Who was the last Saxon king of England?
  - 3. Which insect's droning sound can reach 100 decibels?
  - 4. Which actor played George VI in The King's Speech?
- 5. In the Bible to whose home did Peter go to after his imprisonment?
- 6. The first vaccine Jenner introduced was to combat which condition?
  - 7. Which is the only species of bird that can fly backwards?
    - 8. What is the nickname of Bristol Rovers?
    - 9. By what title is the 45th wedding anniversary known?
  - 10. In which year was the first session of the United Nations held?
    - 11. Which Irish county has the main town Ennis?
    - 12. Currer Bell was the nom de plume of which author?
- 13. Which radio show upstaged the first TV commercials in September 1955?
- 14. In what year was the Act Of Union between England and Scotland signed?
  - 15. What county contains England's ten largest lakes?
    - 16. What was Beethoven's only opera?

#### **GORDON'S POSERS**

a:simply verdant; b:Sack missing; c:meadow for archery; d:Ahoy! both of you

**Chat and Craft Group** continues to meet every Thursday afterr 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 <a href="https://www.stjohns-clevedon.org.uk/">https://www.stjohns-clevedon.org.uk/</a>

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/

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 be contacted on 07940759891 or email her at <a href="mailto:churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk">churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk</a>
Gary's email address is <a href="mailto:churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk">churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk</a>
Thank you.

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



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#### Sunday 10 July 2022 – 4th Sunday after Trinity

#### **Obey the Lord**

Bible reading: Deuteronomy 30: 9-14

#### **Questions**

Do you find it easy or hard to obey God's commandments?

How do you think God feels when you get it wrong?

What comfort and hope can you take from verses 11-14?

Prayer suggestion: - Ask the Holy Spirit to help you be more obedient to God

Lord Jesus

You love everyone

And are concerned when anyone suffers.

Help us to care for all who are in need or in trouble

Amen

This week's challenge: Do something radical that is obedient to God

#### **Activity suggestions:**

- Activity sheets for Proper 10
- Puzzles, word searches and colouring in the Young Church Mag (YCM) for this week based on Luke
   10: 25 37

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