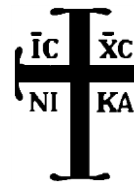




St John the Evangelist Newsletter



SUNDAY 10 OCTOBER 2021

28TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - TRINITY 19

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)

Saturday 9 October

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Sunday 10 October – 28th Sunday, Trinity 19

10.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Said Evening Prayer from the BCP

Monday 11 October

18.00 Mass - Fr Brendan Clover

Tuesday 12 October

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Wednesday 13 October

10.00 Mass – Fr Robert Ward

Thursday 14 October

12.30 Market Mass – Fr Robert Ward

Friday 15 October – St Teresa of Jesus

10.00 BCP Mass – Revd Prebendary John Andrews

Saturday 16 October

10.00 Mass – Revd Prebendary John Andrews

Sunday 17 October – 29th Sunday, Trinity 20

10.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Said Evening Prayer from the BCP

Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear friends,

First of all, on behalf of you all, may I say an enormous thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make the Harvest Supper such a success. A lovely time was had by all, and the food was great.

Next, thank you to the churchwardens who rose gallantly to the challenge of the Sketch from Riding Lights on Sunday morning. And thank you to everyone who decorated the church for the Festival. It really was a team effort!

Some of us are shortly to go to Walsingham on Pilgrimage, and we need a brief planning meeting on Sunday after Mass in the Lady Chapel. John and Fr Robert will be taking the services while we are away, and I'd like to thank them in advance. This Sunday, as I have three preachments on Friday and Saturday this week (bad planning I know), John Andrews will be reflecting on the readings in the sermon slot.

With my prayers and affection,

Fr Brendan

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

Wisdom 7:7-11 (*Reader: Alison*)

Psalms 90

R: Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.

Hebrews 4:12-13 (*Reader: Judith*)

St Mark 10:17-27

Intercessor - *Diane*

Daily Prayer (The Office)

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

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



The Vicarage Telephone Number is 01275 879617.

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 at parishpriest@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 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.

It's Shoebox time again!

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 14 November. Alternatively you can pack a shoebox online at shoeboxonline.samaritans-purse.org.uk



Chat and Craft Group is meeting every Thursday afternoon drop-in 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.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

- 4th Sunday of the month (not December) – Celebration Sunday – join us for a glass of wine / sherry and cake to celebrate any birthdays or anniversaries during the month
- Saturday 13 November – MURDER MYSTERY Evening with Ploughman's supper starting at 7pm. Further details to follow and if you are interested in reading a part, please let Fiona know.

Harvest Festival – **Thank you** to all those who donated Harvest gifts last Sunday. They have been taken to the local food bank. Thank you also, to those who attended the (brilliant!) Harvest Supper.

On behalf of the Social Committee, and PCC, I would like to thank everyone who donated purchased raffle tickets at the Harvest Supper. Through your generosity we managed to raise £103 for "incredible Kids" <https://incrediblekids.org.uk/>
Thank you all so much, Fiona.





WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE

There will be a short meeting after Mass on Sunday morning for those who are going to Walsingham. Please congregate in the Lady Chapel.

THANK YOU!

Dear Friends at St John's

Thank you all so much for helping us celebrate our Golden Wedding anniversary last weekend. Your good wishes and thoughts helped make it special.

Thanks indeed to the cake makers extraordinaire and to Fiona for sorting out the wine and drinks.

My god daughter, having watched the service on YouTube expressed a wish that she could "transplant St John's to Heald Green" (Cheshire, where she lives)! My other god daughter was so engrossed in the service that at the appropriate time she shouted "We will". Thanks therefore to Kevin for getting the service out on YouTube, our geographically remote family and friends were able to share the service with us.

As ever, Fr Brendan combines deep spirituality with fun and humanity, and we all know he likes a party, (he said so in a sermon a few months ago!). Thank you all again. Best wishes, Mike and Alison

100 Club

The winners of St. John's 100 club for September were:

1st prize – No. 87 – Betty 2nd Prize – No. 57 – June 3rd Prize – No. & - Tony

Thank you everyone for your support.

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 FUND RAISING



The Social Committee has made the difficult decision not to hold a Christmas Fair this year due to the difficulties of holding such an event in a Covid safe way. Instead, we hope to have a BIG raffle, legally licenced and with printed tickets which we can sell to our family, friends and neighbours. It has been suggested we offer a cash prize of £100, but if anyone has a better idea, please speak to Fiona. We will need lots of other prizes, so if you have any unwanted and unused presents, please bring them to Church. Your donations can be given to either Judith or Debra. If you would like to make a contribution to the main cash prize, please speak to Fiona.

Virtual Plant Stall

Fiona Slade has kindly made available the following plants which will make wonderful House Plants and are purple....just in time for Advent!!

They can be delivered free of charge and all we ask are donations which can be given in person or online at our giving page (see above).

If interested, and House Plants are the 'in thing' at the moment, please let us know by dropping a line at office@stjohns-clevedon-org.uk The plants are Purple Shamrock (Left 3 available) and Tradescantia (Right 9 available). Thank you.



CELIA'S LATEST QUIZ

Good luck! Answers next week.

BE THOUGHT - FULL

1. By about how many did the population of Clevedon increase in the 19th century to become a town not a village?
2. What title did Oliver Cromwell bestow on himself as Head of State?
3. Which river enters the Atlantic at Lisbon?
4. Kate Ford plays which Coronation Street character?
5. How many Asian Churches did John write to specifically in Revelation?

6. Who was the first female President of Ireland?
7. Which continent is a guinea pig native to?
8. Which artist painted The Monarch of the Glen?
9. Which silvery white metal is used to make magnets?
10. When in the 20th century were Identity Cards issued in Britain?
11. Managua is the capital of which South American country?
12. The lead singer of Duran Duran?
13. Which popular writing utensil was patented in Hungary in 1938?
14. Who led the revolt of the Roman slaves and gladiators in 73AD?
15. Which is Britain's smallest species of bird?
16. Of which novel is Good Wives a sequel?



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. Sue**



Many of you will know that we sponsor a child through the charity Embrace – her details are in the Church porch. If you would like to further support the work of Embrace in the Middle East, please take a moment to look at their online brochure, which is full of beautiful cards and alternative gifts.

The link is <https://shop.embraceme.org> or call 01227 811646

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.

Please follow us on our new 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.

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.



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

Sunday 10 October 2021 – 19th Sunday after Trinity (Proper 23)

Where Are You God?

Bible readings – Psalms 22: 1-4 (also Mark 10: 17-31)

Questions

Have you ever felt abandoned by God?
How do you think David felt when he wrote these words?
How could these verses provide comfort for you during challenging times?

Prayer suggestion

Ask God to draw near to you in challenging times

God, we thank you for all that you have given us.

May we be generous to others

And care for any who are in need

Amen

This week's challenge

Go to a special place and write a list of all the truths you know about God

Activity suggestions

- Activity sheet for proper 23
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- Puzzles, word searches and colouring in the Young Church Mag (YCM) for this week based on Mark 10: 17 -31

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)