

St John the Evangelist

Newsletter



SUNDAY 16 APRIL 2023

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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 15 April

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare

Sunday 16 April – Divine Mercy Sunday

10.30 Solemn Mass– Fr Mark Smith SCP

17.30 Evening Prayer

Monday 17 April

NO MASS

Tuesday 18 April

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare

Wednesday 19 April

NO MASS

Thursday 20 April

12.30 Mass – Fr Robert Ward

Friday 21 April

10.00 Mass – Revd Prebendary John Andrews

Saturday 22 April

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare

Sunday 23 April

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer

Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear friends,

What fabulous Holy Week and Easter services and a lovely party in the grounds on Easter Day! Many thanks to everyone who worked so hard for all of this: readers, servers, organists, church cleaners and decorators, and you all, God's faithful people in this place. I hope I haven't forgotten anyone!

This Sunday is sometimes called 'Divine Mercy Sunday'. '*Peace be with you*' Jesus says as he greets his apostles. Peace is a gift of God. The Creator has himself written the law of respect for life on the human heart, and when the merciless logic of arms prevails in Ukraine and elsewhere, only God can redirect hearts to thoughts of peace, only he can give the energies that are necessary to be freed from hatred and the thirst for revenge and to undertake the process of negotiation for an agreement and for peace.

The Liturgy on Sunday invites us to see in Divine Mercy the source of authentic peace that the risen Christ offers us. The wounds of the risen and glorious Lord are the permanent sign of God's merciful love for humanity. From the wounds of Christ flows a spiritual light that enlightens consciences and pours into hearts comfort and hope.

With Easter blessings and my prayers,
Fr Brendan

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

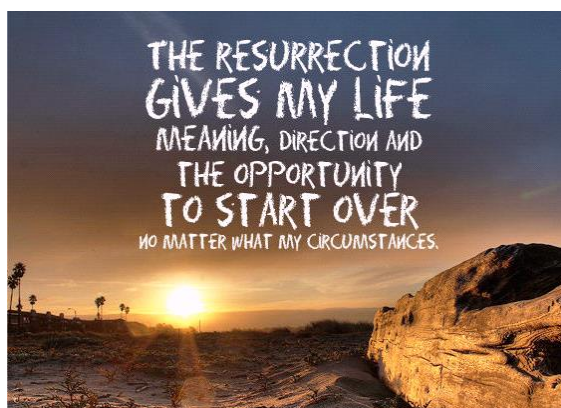
Acts 2:42-47 (Reader:)

Psalms 118:2-4, 13-15 & 22-24

R: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end

1 Peter 1:3-9 (Reader: Celia)

St John 20:19-31



PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

Saturday 15 April	Our Blessed Virgin Mary and Our Lady of Walsingham and all other shrines dedicated to her
Sunday 16 April	LOW SUNDAY – Our church and parish and the residents of Newlands Green and Staples Close
Monday 17 April	We pray for our own family units, that we may be strong for each other when times are difficult
Tuesday 18 April	All who have lost homes, families and livelihoods through natural disasters
Wednesday 19 April	Amnesty International and its work to end the abuse of human rights
Thursday 20 April	The Thursday market, its traders and customers. All retail outlets in Clevedon, their owners and staff
Friday 21 April	Our natural world and our awareness of the need to protect and respect it
Saturday 22 April	The Blessed Virgin Mary, the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, Fr Keven – priest/administrator – all who work there and all who pray there
Sunday 23 April	ST GEORGE – our Patron Saint. Our church and parish and the residents of Stonebridge

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 Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)

Clevedon St Johns Annual Parishioners Meeting 2023 is to be held in St Johns Church on Sunday 23 April 2023, immediately after the 10.30am Sunday Mass.

Nomination forms for PCC Membership, Church Warden and Deanery Synod positions are available at the back of the church on the information table adjacent to the font. Completed forms should be returned to the red post box also located on the table before the end of Mass on 23rd April 2023. To vote at the APCM is only available to those congregation members on the current Electoral Roll of St John's.

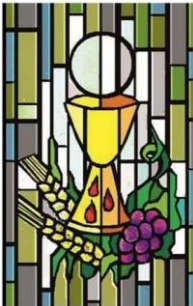
The expectation is that everyone should read the APCM reports in advance of the meeting. If there are any questions arising, they should be sent in advance of the meeting to office@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk Any questions raised at the meeting will be addressed in the meeting minutes when published.

A VERY BIG THANK YOU

to everyone for the time they gave preparing the church for Easter, cleaning, flower arranging, decorating windows, preparation of the sacristy, etc. The church looked stunning.

PENTECOST SUNDAY JOINT SERVICE

The good folk at All Saints, Weston-super-Mare have invited us to join them for
SOLEMN EVENSONG AND BENEDICTION
on the Feast of Pentecost, 28 May at 4.00 pm.
WINE RECEPTION AFTERWARDS!



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.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 7 May	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
Monday 8 May	Mass at 12.00 noon followed by fizz at the Vicarage
Monday 8 May	17.30 Solemn Evensong for the Coronation sung by Clevedon Choral
Thursday 11 May	Recital by Matthew Clark at 19.00 with a glass of wine afterwards Tickets £10.00 to include a glass of wine
Friday 12 May	An Evening with John Betjeman hosted by Rev Rosey Lunn in the Church Hall at 19.30 with light refreshments. Tickets £10 to include madeira and cake
Saturday 13 May	19.30 Festival Concert by Clevedon Choral Society Tickets from Clevedon Choral Society website
Sunday 14 May	Solemn Mass followed by the dedication of the refurbished Lower Hall and Kitchen
Saturday 20 May	Plant Sale – 10.00 – 12 noon in the Church grounds
Sunday 25 June	Parish Lunch to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of Fr Brendan's ordination
Saturday 15 July	St John's Summer Fayre – 14.00 – 16.00 in the Church grounds
Sunday 13 August	Parish BBQ, after Mass
Saturday 16 September	Quiz Evening, time to be confirmed, in the Church Hall
Sunday 1 October	Harvest Lunch – 12.30 in the Church Hall
Saturday 2 December	Christmas Fayre – 14.00 – 16.00 in the Church Hall



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 or mention this to 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.

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

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/>

Parish Safeguarding: DBS Check & Renewal Drop-In
Saturday 22nd 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

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

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.



EASTER BASKET

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him for that day.

- 2 TIMOTHY 1:12 NIV

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.

If you need to contact a Churchwarden please contact Nicola Coaker or Gary Lewis. Nicola can be emailed at churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk

Gary's email address is churchwarden2@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk

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



The Vicarage telephone number is 01275 879617

The Office Number is 07522 494 504

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.

Celia Quiz !!

1. In which decade was Clevedon Court built?
2. When did Trades Unions become fully legal in Britain?
3. Which county's highest peak is Shining Tor?
4. Cadfael, the medieval detective, is the creation of which author?
5. What was the disciple Thomas's other name?
6. Where was the World Health Organisation formed in 1948?
7. What is the capital of Albania?
8. In which month does the Cowes Week Regatta take place?
9. Which is the galaxy's second brightest star?
10. In what year was the newspaper The Times first issued?
11. Cinnamon is taken from which family of trees?
12. Have I Got News For You has just begun which series?
13. Who is the Patron Saint of housewives?
14. When did the First Crusade take place?
15. The marine creature puffer is also known as what?
16. What type of composition is Opera Buffa?

GORDON'S POSERS

- a: where they all live in armour;
- b:small settlement;
- c: practice archery in this meadow



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 23rd 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 2001,¹ 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

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

ST JOHN'S SUNDAY CLUB
16 April 2023 – Second Sunday of Easter

Bible reading:

Questions

Prayer suggestion

This week's challenge

Activity suggestions

- Activity sheet for Second Sunday of Easter
- Puzzles, word searches and colouring in the Young Church Mag (YCM) for this week based on

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