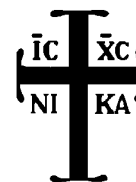




St John the Evangelist

Newsletter



SUNDAY 19 JUNE 2022

TWELFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

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 18 June

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Sunday 19 June – Twelfth Sunday

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer

Monday 20 June – St Alban

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Tuesday 21 June

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Wednesday 22 June – Ss John Fisher and Thomas More

10.00 Mass – Revd Prebendary John Andrews

Thursday 23 June – St Etheldreda

12.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

19.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Friday 24 June – Birth of St John the Baptist

10.00 BCP Mass – Revd Prebendary John Andrews

Saturday 25 June

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Sunday 26 June – Thirteenth Sunday

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

Zechariah 12:10-11 (*Reader: Peter*)

Psalm 63

R: For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God

Galatians 3:26-29 (*Reader: Celia*)

St Luke 9:18-24

Intercessor – Diane

Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear friends,

Our Church has been making some strong statements recently about the Grenfell tragedy and the Governments “off-shoring” policy.

Communities that remain deeply traumatized by the Grenfell tragedy will struggle to find peace while they wait for the conclusions of the national inquiry, the Bishop of Kensington, Dr Graham Tomlin, has said. He was speaking on Tuesday after a national service in Westminster Abbey which marked five years to the day since a fire devastated the west London tower block on 14 June 2017, killing 72 people.

Survivors and the families of people who died in the blaze were among the 700 people in attendance, alongside first responders and community and faith leaders. In his sermon, Dr Tomlin said: “Those of you who lost loved ones in Grenfell Tower, those who survived that night, those of you who live in the local community and who watched the events of that dreadful night unfold, have waited five long years. And our waiting continues still. And so today we acknowledge our shared sorrow, that sense of injustice, the ongoing grief.”

The service was about lamenting together, he said, which could also be an “engine for change. . . Lament refuses to accept easy answers. It tries to name an uncomfortable reality — it says plainly that what happened at Grenfell was wrong. The Government’s “offshoring” policy, under which the first people were due to be deported to Rwanda as early as last Tuesday, “should shame us as a nation”, the Archbishops of Canterbury and York and 23 other bishops, have said.

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I trust in the Lord with all my heart;
and lean not unto my own understanding.
In all my ways I acknowledge Him, and
He shall direct my paths.
Proverbs 3:5-6



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The policy was included in the Nationality and Borders Act, which came into law in April despite objections and attempted amendments from bishops and other peers. It was explicitly criticized by Archbishop Welby in his Easter sermon, and reportedly by the Prince of Wales last week, who is said to have called it “appalling” in a private conversation. In a letter published in The Times on Tuesday, the full complement of bishops who sit in the House of Lords have written: “Whether or not the first deportation flight leaves Britain today for Rwanda, this policy should shame us as a nation.” The letter continues: “The shame is our own, because our Christian heritage should inspire us to treat asylum seekers with compassion, fairness and justice, as we have for centuries.” Whatever our politics, it must be a good thing that the Church still has a voice!
Fr Brendan

PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

Sunday 19 June	Our Church and our parish and the residents of Kennaway Road and Baytree Road
Monday 20 June	All farmers and small holders
Tuesday 21 June	Members of our PCC and other committees who seek to make the presence of our church known in Clevedon as a beacon of Christian love and practice
Wednesday 22 June	St Alban and all pilgrims to the Cathedral and Abbey Church of St Alban
Thursday 23 June	Clevedon Thursday Market with all its stall holders and artisans
Friday 24 June	The birth of St John the Baptist and all parishes that bear his name
Saturday 25 June	Our Blessed Virgin Mary and the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. All Sunday school leaders and the children who attend.
Sunday 26 June	Our Church and parish and the residents of Orchard Road, Elm Tree Road, The Paddock and Knightstone Court

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.



The Parish Office now has a dedicated telephone number. The telephone will be operational for immediate enquiries on Friday afternoons between 2.15pm and 5.15pm. At other times, the telephone will be monitored on a regular basis and any urgent enquiries outside this time will be actioned as soon as practicable.

The Office Number - 07522 494 504.

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)

Sunday 26 June	Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass
Saturday 16 July	Summer Fête in the Church grounds
Sunday 24 July	Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass
Sunday 21 August	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**



APPEAL FOR HELP!

We are looking for people (men and women!) to join the tea and coffee rota for Sunday mornings after Mass. It's really not a difficult task and gives you an opportunity to talk to people. If you feel that existing church commitments mean it isn't possible for you to help, we can find a way around that! Please speak to Nicola.

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.



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.



ST JOHN'S SUMMER FETE SATURDAY 16 JULY

Our church fete is on 16th July 2-4pm. We are looking for donations for stalls; bags will be in the back of church for your donations from next week (19th June). We are looking for the following donations:

- 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)

We will be asking for people to volunteer to help set up, man stalls for an hour and clear up afterwards. We are really happy to hear from anyone who has any other ideas for stalls etc. Please see Sarah Lewis.





ANSWERS TO CELIA'S LATEST QUIZ

BRAIN WAVES

1. 3000
2. Luddites
3. Texas
4. Leonardo da Vinci
5. Baptist
6. Anthony Eden
7. Orchids
8. Boris Pasternak
9. Semaphore
10. 1859
11. Barnacle
12. Snooker
13. £1000
14. 1910
15. Goliath
16. The Mikado

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



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

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 churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk

Gary'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

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.



**The Chapter of
Wells Cathedral and
Churches Together in
Somerset**



have pleasure in inviting you to

**Choral Evensong on Sunday 19th June at 3pm followed by tea and a
commemorative lecture by**

Bishop Rowan Williams (Lord Williams of Oystermouth) Former Archbishop of Canterbury

“A Blind Date? The beginnings of Anglican/Roman Catholic Dialogue, 1921-1925”

The lecture (at 4pm) marks the centenary of the Malines Conversations which began the modern dialogue between the Anglican Church and the Roman Catholic Church. Those conversations were in large part inspired by the friendship between Dr Armitage Robinson, Dean of Wells, and two Abbots of Downside, Cuthbert Butler and Leander Ramsey. Those early discussions have led in part to the significant process in reconciliation and closer cooperation seen today between the churches.

There will be an opportunity to put questions to Bishop Rowan and to have conversations with him during the afternoon.

To help us prepare, if you plan to attend, please R.S.V.P. to
office@wellscathedral.org.uk by Wednesday 15th June 2022.

With all best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "John Davies".

**The Very Reverend Dr John Davies,
Dean of Wells**

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jonathan Lloyd".

**Canon Jonathan LLOYD
County Ecumenical Officer**

Sunday 19 June 2022 – 1st Sunday after Trinity
God in The Silence

Bible reading: 1 Kings 19: 11 - 15

Questions

When was the last time you sensed God was speaking to you?

How do you think Elijah felt when God whispered to him?

How does God speak to people today?

Prayer suggestion: - Thank God that his voice can be heard in different ways

Lord Jesus, you brought PEACE in the storm

And PEACE to the troubled in mind.

Give us your PEACE and keep us in your love

Amen

This week's challenge: Listen to a worship song and invite God to speak to you

This week's Quote: ."Before you speak, it is necessary for you to listen, for God speaks in the silence of the heat" Mother Teresa

Activity suggestions:

- Activity sheets for Proper 7
- Puzzles, word searches and colouring in the Young Church Mag (YCM) for this week based on Luke 8: 26 - 39

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