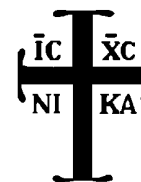




St John the Evangelist

Newsletter



SUNDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2022

SEVENTH SUNDAY, SECOND BEFORE LENT

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 20 February – 7TH Sunday, Second before Lent

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Said Evening prayer from the BCP

Monday 21 February

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Tuesday 22 February

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Wednesday 23 February – St Polycarp

10.00 Mass – Fr Robert Ward

Thursday 24 February

12.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Friday 25 February

10.00 Mass from the BCP – Fr Brendan Clover

Saturday 26 February

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Sunday 27 February – 8TH Sunday, Next before Lent

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Said Evening Prayer from the BCP

Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear friends,

This week we have been asked to join with Churches together in Clevedon in prayer for the following topics:

- For God's Kingdom to come and His will to be done in Clevedon, as it is in heaven
- For diplomacy to bring about a peaceful resolution to the tensions in Ukraine, Belarus and Russia
- For the church Globally, Nationally and Locally to act wisely in respect of our stewardship of planet earth
- For wisdom in the government's decision making re Covid restrictions
- For Clevedon Quakers.

So let us join with our fellow believers in our town in praying for these situations. 'A community that prays together stays together'.

Fr Brendan

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 (Reader: Derek)

Psalms 103

R: The Lord is compassion and love

1 Corinthians 15:45-49 (Reader: Sandra)

St Luke 6:27-38

Intercessor – Diane

Words for Communion Taizé Meditation

Eat this bread; drink this cup.

Come to me and never be hungry.

Eat this bread; drink this cup.

Trust in me and you will not thirst.



**The Vicarage Telephone Number is
01275 879617.**



IMPORTANT NOTICE!

The PCC strategy day some time ago identified the need for a Parish Administrator to help us as a growing parish. This is now offered as a voluntary position that attracts an annual Honorarium payment, with flexible, agreed, hours responding to current needs.

The post holder will need to be computer literate and personable.

We hope to create an office in the vestry of the church, but it may be necessary initially to work from home or in the Vicarage. Is this you?

Please have a word with Fr Brendan if you are interested and he will share the job description.

This position is currently advertised within the parish community and shortly more widely.

PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

Sunday 20 February	Our Church and parish and this week we pray for the residents of The Chaffins, The Penns and Plumer's Close
Monday 21 February	Those living on the streets without shelter
Tuesday 22 February	Scientists who develop vaccines
Wednesday 23 February	The unity of our church with other faiths
Thursday 24 February	All who persecute Christians
Friday 25 February	All chiropodists, dentists and opticians
Saturday 26 February	All pilgrims to the Holy House in Walsingham
Sunday 27 February	Our Church and parish and this week we pray for the residents of Homeground

Website

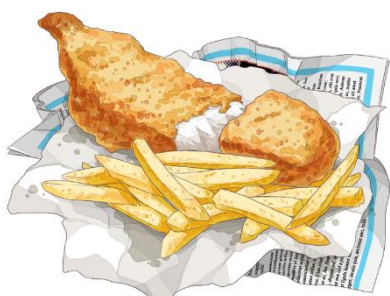
Please log into our website with as much frequency as you are able in order to bring it up the Google ratings...

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.



FISH AND CHIP SUPPER

(with THREE quizzes and a raffle)

Saturday 26 February at 6.30 pm

in the Church Hall.

Tickets for sale at the back of the church on Sunday –

£8.00 per person/£4.00 for under 12's

Numbers limited

Raffle prizes gratefully accepted

LAST CHANCE TO BUY TICKETS!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

Saturday 26 February

Fish and Chip Supper in the Church Hall
(see details above)

Sunday 27 February

Last before Lent

Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass

Sunday 27 March

A Rose Reception in the Church Hall

Mothering Sunday

All things pink, plus cream scones with strawberries and cakes

Monday 11 April and Tuesday 12 April

Easter Egg Hunt and Pop up Café in the Church
(details to follow)

Sunday 17 April

Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in the Vicarage after Mass

Easter Day

Friday 6 May

Festival Mass at 19.30: Revd. Canon Peter Newby, Canon of
Westminster Cathedral will be our preacher

St John's Patronal Festival

Lunch Time Concert
and Parish Dinner

Saturday 7 May

Sunday 5 June

Parish Picnic in the Church grounds

HM the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Sunday 26 June

Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass

Sunday 24 July

Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass

Sunday 21 August

Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass

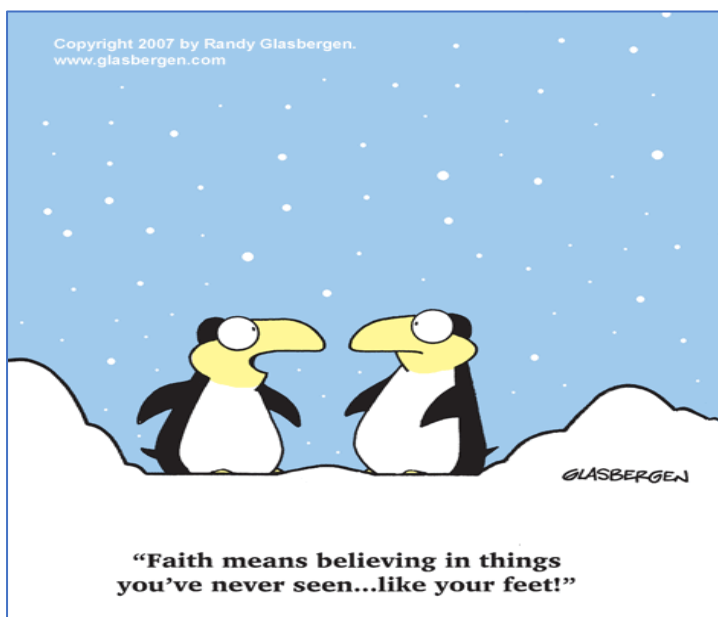
Palm Crosses

If anyone has palm crosses from past years and would like them burnt for ash to be used on Ash Wednesday (2nd March), please bring them to St. John's leaving them on the west end altar as soon as possible by **Thursday 25th February latest**. Thank you, Martin.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Betty will be taking orders
for her famed Easter
Biscuits
soon.

More details, including
the price, will follow.



Dot Bell

The ashes of Dot Bell will be buried in St John's Churchyard on Monday 21 February at 10.30am. There will be a very short graveside service. Please remember her and the family in your prayers.



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.

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.

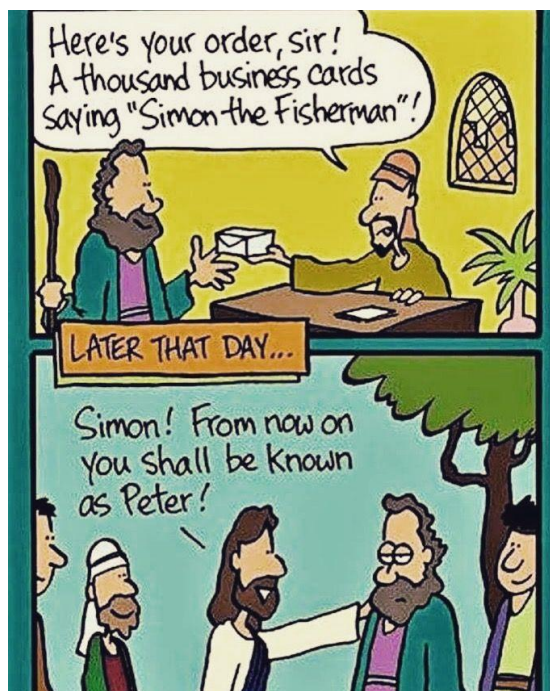
<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stjohntheevangelistclevedon/>

SAVE THE DATE!

Nailsea Choral Society's next concert will be a performance of **Stainer's Crucifixion**, to be held on **Saturday 26 March at 7.30 pm** in Nailsea Methodist Church. This wonderful piece will be performed by the choir, organ and professional soloists. Tickets cost £6.00/£12.00.

Further information will be available on the Society's website soon

www.nailseachoral.org.uk and Facebook page: Nailsea Choral Society.



Celia's Quiz

DID YOU KNOW - - - ?

1. Where are the Tennyson posts situated in Clevedon?
2. Which sect did John Wycliffe found in the 14th century?
3. What is the Capital of the Philippines?
4. How many umpires are there on the field in a game of cricket?
5. Who in the Old Testament was the mother of Benjamin and Joseph?
6. Which of the Seven Wonders of the World was destroyed by an earthquake in 226BC?
7. In which month does the Sweet Chestnut Tree produce its fruit?
8. On which Shakespeare play is the musical Kiss Me Kate based?
9. Where in the body is the sclera?
10. When did GCE O Level exams replace the School Certificate?
11. Which common mammal was brought to Britain by the Normans in the 12th century?
12. Nadia Sawalha is a panellist on which daytime talk show?
13. What item did Shakespeare leave to his wife in his will?
14. When was Facebook founded?
15. Which two countries face each other at the Formosa Strait?
16. Who created the fictitious county of Barsetshire.

GORDON'S POSERS

- a: Wound active despite dressing; b: Opposite Northward direction;
- c: Typo for what is on your chips? d: Fly your Kite here opposite Southern residence

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 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.



St John's Children's Club

Sunday 20 February 2022 – 2nd Sunday before Lent
Stay Calm

Bible reading: Luke 8: 22-25

Questions

What is the worst weather you have ever experienced?

If you had been in the boat, what would you have done?

When have you experienced God in a crisis?

Prayer suggestion

Ask God to draw close to those you know who are in difficulty.

God, we thank you

For all who work in the rescue services

And we remember their bravery.

We thank you that Jesus came

To rescue us from death

And bring us to eternal life

Amen.

This week's challenge

Tell a friend going through a hard time that you are praying for them

Activity suggestions:

- Activity sheet for 2nd Sunday before Lent
- Puzzles, word searches and colouring in the Young Church Mag (YCM) for this week based on Luke 6: 17-26

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)