



# St John the Evangelist Newsletter



SUNDAY 22 MAY 2022

EASTER 6

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## Church Services (also on-line)

**Saturday 21 May**

**NO MASS**

**Sunday 22 May – Easter 6**

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer

**Monday 23 May**

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

**Tuesday 24 May**

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

**Wednesday 25 May – S Bede the Venerable**

10.00 Mass – Fr Robert Ward

**Thursday 26 May – Ascension of the Lord**

12.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

19.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

**Friday 27 May**

10.00 BCP Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

**Saturday 28 May**

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

**Sunday 29 May – Easter 7**

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Robert Ward

17.30 Evening Prayer

## Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear friends,

It will be very good indeed to welcome Clevedon Choral Society back to St John's after a long gap. Their concert this Saturday evening contains Faure's Requiem and a collection of other sacred music. I hope many of you will want to be there. Things are, at last, getting back to normal. The mood of the readings at Mass has changed in recent days, especially the Gospel readings which are from the fifteenth and sixteenth chapters of John's Gospel. The church is looking forward to the Feast of the Ascension, next Thursday, and to Pentecost ten days later. These are significant feasts not to be missed!

Last week the PCC voted to go ahead with works in the lower hall and kitchen, and the builders came this week to refresh their memory of the works needed. A scaffold will be erected in August to allow the removal of the blown render on the south wall. Once the wall has dried out new render will be applied. That wall then becomes water tight.

Works inside will begin in September and will take a maximum of eight weeks. So, with luck and God willing, everything will be completed by November. . We have been supported by grants from the following charities: Benefact Trust (£2250); Number One Trust (£15k); and Sabina Sutherland Trust (£5k). A further application for £20k is with the John Booth Charitable Foundation. Here's hoping!

The lettings of our Upper Hall will not be compromised by the works going on below though there may be some extraneous noise!

One last thing... Tony Wring's Memorial Service is to be held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July at 11.30am following a Requiem Mass at 10am. I'm sure many of you will want to be there.

Ever,  
Fr Brendan

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

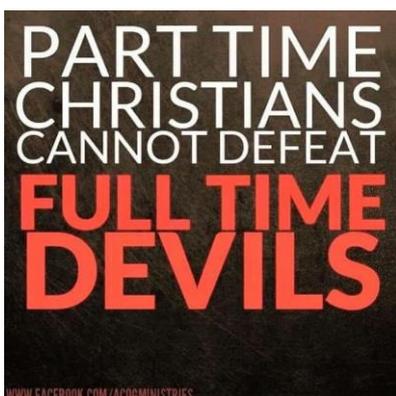
Acts 15:1-2 & 22-29 (Reader: Sandra)

Psalm 67

**R: Let the peoples praise you O God, let all the peoples praise you**

Revelation 21:10-14 & 22-23 (Reader: Kevin)

St John 14:23-29



# PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

<b>Sunday 22 May</b>	Our Church and parish and the residents of Chard Road, Wells Road, Tiverton Road and Honiton Road
<b>Monday 23 May</b>	All iconographers, especially Aidan Hart, who painted and prayed our beautiful icons
<b>Tuesday 24 May</b>	John and Charles Wesley and the Methodist ministry
<b>Wednesday 25 May</b>	The Venerable Bede and all who transcribe the scriptures
<b>Thursday 26 May</b>	Philip Neri, founder of the Oratorians and all who inject joy and vigour into our worshipping lives
<b>Friday 27 May</b>	All who write hymns and church music
<b>Saturday 28 May</b>	Our Lady of Walsingham, Fr Kevin, the priest/administrator and all who work and minister at the Shrine
<b>Sunday 29 May</b>	Our Church and parish and the residents of Otter Road, Dart Road and Tone 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](mailto: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.

## PRAYER PUPS BY JEFFREY SMITH



SOMETIMES IT'S HARD TO DO WHAT YOU KNOW IS RIGHT, BUT IT'S ALWAYS WORTH TRYING.

**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.



**Clevedon Literary Festival** are holding a poetry event and writing competition at St John's on **Saturday June 11th** with readings from 2-4 pm. Feel free to attend.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

**Sunday 5 June**  
**HM the Queen's Platinum Jubilee**

Parish Picnic/Bring and Share Lunch in the Church grounds

**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**

## HEALTH AND SAFETY OFFICER URGENTLY NEEDED!



Churches Together in Clevedon

## Midsummer Picnic

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June from 5pm

Churches Together in Clevedon warmly invite you to a picnic on the green next to Bay Road, a time for food and fellowship overlooking the sea. All are welcome, just bring your own picnic and something to sit on and enjoy the opportunity to meet socially with other Christians from the town. There will be the option of going to St Mary's Church if it's wet and toilets will also be available there. We look forward to seeing you.

# *Platinum Jubilee Celebration*



We are having a 'bring and share' picnic in the church gardens.

Sunday 5th June 12pm

Sign up for contributions of food on the list at the back of church.

Sparkling wine and cake provided.

Outdoor games for children.

Bring your own chairs rugs etc.





## Queen's Garden Party

Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> June 3pm – 5pm, at Clevedon Court

Ticket £10 to include special cream tea and privileged 'open doors' entry to Clevedon Court in aid of All Saints Church Funds.

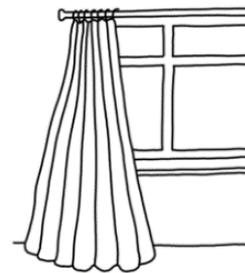
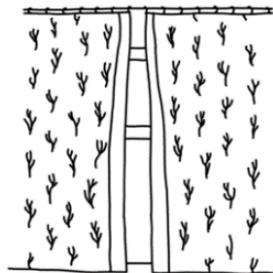
Tickets available from the Parish Office (873257 or eastcleveub@blueyonder.co.uk)

## SAFEGUARDING COURSE

*My name is Christine Hamilton, and I am the Safeguarding Officer at St Andrew's Backwell. We are hoping to hold a Safeguarding Leadership course at Backwell, and have been asked by Ben Goodhind, Safeguarding Manager at Wells to advertise this around neighbouring Churches., who may have people needing to do this course also. We are hoping that the course will take place in early July so it would be good to know the availability of people before we set the date. Cameron McConnell will be taking the course. I would be grateful if you could circulate this around the Parishes for me, I would appreciate all replies by 30th May. Many thanks  
Christine Hamilton 01275463125*

## COPEES

AND THE HOME FURNISHINGS THAT INSPIRED THEM



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**Clevedon Foodbank** is still in 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.

The foodbank would appreciate donations of the following:

<b>Tinned fruit</b>	<b>Instant Coffee</b>	<b>Instant Mash Potato</b>
<b>Toilet Rolls</b>	<b>Microwavable Rice</b>	<b>Jam</b>
<b>Long Life Milk</b>	<b>Cat food</b>	<b>Tinned pasta</b>
<b>Toiletries</b>	<b>Laundry Powder/ Liquid</b>	

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](http://clevedondistrict.foodbank.org.uk), or contact them on [info@clevedondistrict.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@clevedondistrict.foodbank.org.uk) or tel. 07722 769529

### 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

### 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.

### 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/>



## CELIA'S QUIZ

### JUST A FEW MORE - - -

1. Who 'invented' the dish Coronation Chicken to mark the Queen's Coronation?
  2. What was the Capital of Roman Britain?
  3. Which is Tanzania's largest city?
  4. In which novel did Matthew Cuthbert adopt a young child?
  5. Who in the Bible is the mother of the apostles James and John?
  6. In which month and year was the Channel Tunnel opened?
  7. Which wild cat is also known as the ounce?
  8. Which player has won the most singles titles at Wimbledon?
  9. When was St. John's School, Clevedon opened?
  10. Which English Quaker founded a US State?
  11. What type of sea creature is a Hustler?
  12. Who wrote the operas Peter Grimes and The Turn Of The Screw?
  13. Which novelist also introduced Post Boxes into Britain?
  14. When did Francis Drake circumnavigate the world?
  15. Which river flows from Lake Ontario into the Atlantic Ocean?
  16. Who is the author of the Downton Abbey television and film stories?
- GORDON'S POSERS  
a:Look out!!!! ;  
b:Wiltings pig meat;  
c:Opposite south under;  
d:Does Somerset look like the South Atlantic?

### **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.

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](mailto:churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk)  
Gary's email address is [churchwarden2@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk](mailto:churchwarden2@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk) Thank you.

If you have any safeguarding questions or issues, please email [parishsafeguardingofficer@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk](mailto:parishsafeguardingofficer@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk)



**The Vicarage telephone number is 01275 879617**

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## **Sunday 22 May 2022 – 6th Sunday of Easter**

### **Miracle Healing**

Bible reading: John 5:1-9

Questions

How would you describe a miracle?

Why did Jesus ask the man if he wanted to get well?

What does the story teach you about healing?

Prayer suggestion: - Pray for someone you know living with a disability

Lord Jesus, we thank you for your healing power

And for the peace you bring to so many lives.

Help us to know you are with us always

And that you care for us

Amen.

This week's challenge: Look up another healing story in the Bible

Activity suggestions:

- Activity sheet for 6th Sunday of Easter
- Puzzles, word searches and colouring in the Young Church Mag (YCM) for this week based on John 14 23-29

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