

# St John the Evangelist

# Newsletter



SUNDAY 23 APRIL 2023

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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## Church Services (also on-line)

### Saturday 22 April

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare

### Sunday 23 April – Third Sunday of Easter

10.30 Solemn Mass– Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer

### Monday 24 April – St George

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

### Tuesday 25 April – St Mark

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare

### Wednesday 26 April

18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

### Thursday 27 April

12.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

### Friday 28 April

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

### Saturday 22 April – St Catharine of Siena

10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare

### Sunday 30 April – Fourth Sunday of Easter

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

Acts 2:14 & 22-23 (Reader: Debra)

Psalm 16:1-2a & 5 & 7-11

**R: Show us Lord, the path of life**

1 Peter 1:17-21 (Reader: Mark)

St Luke 24:13-35

Intercessor – Celia

Faith is to believe  
what we do not see,  
and the reward of this  
faith is to see what we  
believe.

Augustine

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## Words from Nicola (Churchwarden)



This Sunday is one of the most important days in the life of our church, that is after Christmas and Easter. It's our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM), after mass. The APCM Report was published last week; the purpose of the meeting is to report the changes in our Electoral Roll, last year's APCM, the activities of our parish during 2022, safeguarding and the church building.

Before the meeting we'll elect Churchwardens for the coming year and during the APCM we'll accept nominations for Parochial Church Council (PCC) Members. Please seriously consider nominating yourself (forms are at the back of the church) to join the council and make a difference to the life of your church. The PCC is responsible for the overall wellbeing, practical as well as spiritual, of the life of St John's, our church members, and the church buildings. The PCC's duty is to promote the mission of St John's within Clevedon, some of these responsibilities are devolved to Fr. Brendan and the Churchwardens (currently Gary and myself).

Jesus is calling you to play your part, share your talents, come, and join the PCC, the commitment is to attend 4-5 meetings a year in service to our worshipping community and mission.

## PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

<b>Saturday 22 April</b>	The Blessed Virgin Mary, the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, Fr Keven – priest/ administrator – all who work there and all who pray there
<b>Sunday 23 April</b>	<b>ST GEORGE</b> – our Patron Saint. Our church and parish and the residents of Stonebridge
<b>Monday 24 April</b>	All Christian poets and writers
<b>Tuesday 25 April</b>	St Mark the Evangelist and all parishes dedicated to him
<b>Wednesday 26 April</b>	Our emergency services who day by day deal with the aftermath of human tragedy
<b>Thursday 27 April</b>	The Thursday market, its traders and all visitors to Clevedon
<b>Friday 28 April</b>	St Peter Chanel, a nineteenth century missionary
<b>Saturday 29 April</b>	Our blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of Walsingham and all other shrines dedicated to her
<b>Sunday 30 April</b>	Our church and parish and all residents of Banks Close and Carice Gardens

### 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 **this 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](mailto:office@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk) Any questions raised at the meeting will be addressed in the meeting minutes when published.

## 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.

### PARISH PICNIC – SUNDAY 7 MAY – 12.30

Following the great success of the last parish picnic held for the platinum jubilee, we are holding a similar event to mark the coronation of King Charles III. We would love as many people to come as possible to make this a really special church community event. We are asking people to sign up for food items to bring along and then we will have a shared picnic together in the church grounds or church hall if the weather is inclement. The sign up list is at the back of church. Please come along and join in!

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

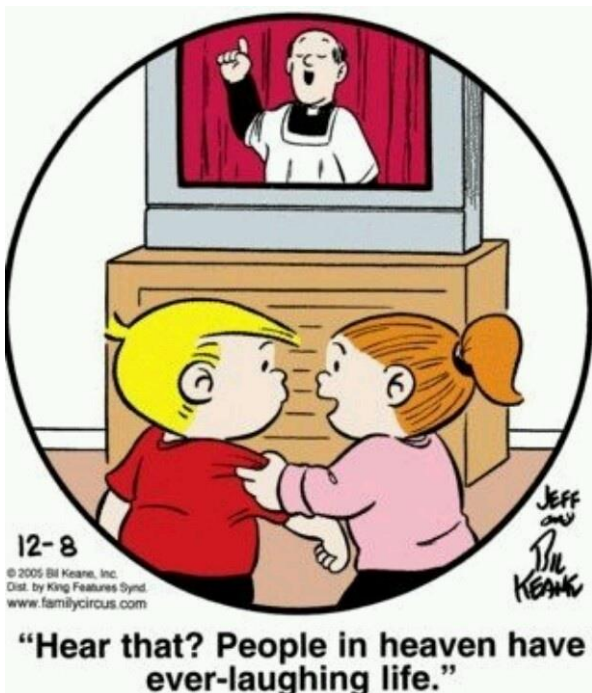
If you are taking cuttings  
or splitting plants this winter/spring, please do a few extra for  
the church plant sale.

### 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/>



### Sick List

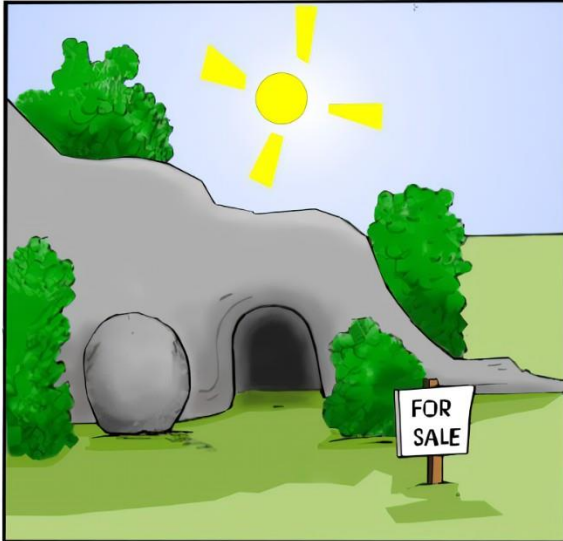
If you need to let the clergy know of anyone who is unwell and/or is needing pastoral care, please email [office@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk](mailto:office@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk) or mention this to Betty, our Sickness Points of Contact (SPOC's), after the service outside of the church building. Any requests 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](mailto:office@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk)

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.



## The Back Pew – Jeff Larson



**FOR SALE** – Single owner tomb. Only used three days, and still has that new tomb smell. Reason for sale.. resident was resurrected.

**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.

### ***Celia Quiz Answers***

- 1:1320s
  2. 1871(Trade Union Act)
  3. Cheshire
  4. Ellis Peters
  5. Didymus
  6. Genoa, Switzerland
  7. Tirana
  8. August
  9. Beta
  10. 1785
  - 11.Laurel
  12. 65th
  13. Martha (Lazarus's sister)
  14. 1095
  15. Blowfish
  16. Comedy Opera.
- GORDON'S  
a: Knighton; b: Littleton; c: Butleigh

If you need to contact a Churchwarden please contact Nicola Coaker or Gary Lewis. Nicola can emailed 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)

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**

**The Office Number is 07522 494 504**

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## 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 23<sup>rd</sup> 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,<sup>1</sup> 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

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<sup>1</sup> 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](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2020/406)