St John the Evangelist **Newsletter**

SUNDAY 25 JUNE 2023

TWELFTH SUNDAY, TRINITY 3

If you wish to contribute to the next edition of the newsletter, please email <u>office@stjohns-</u> <u>clevedon.org.uk</u> marking your email '**Newsletter Article'** by <u>12 noon Thursdays weekly</u>.

Church Services (also on-line)

Saturday 24 June – Birth of St John the Baptist 10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare Sunday 25 June – Twelfth Sunday 10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan , Fr M Taviner 17.30 Evening Prayer Monday 26 June 18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover **Tuesday 27 June** 10.00 Mass at All Saints, Weston Super Mare Wednesday 28 June 18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover Thursday 29 June – St Peter and St Paul 12.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover Friday 30 June 10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover Saturday 1 July 10.00 Mass at St John's for the Walsingham Cell Sunday 2 July – Thirteenth Sunday 10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Robert Ward 17.30 Evening Prayer and Benediction

The Mass readings for this Sunday: Isaiah 61.1-3 *(Reader: Helen)* Psalm 69 **R: I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.** Hebrews 13.8-16 *(Reader: Alison)* John 6.52-59 Intercessor – Judith

> To be a Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing.

> > Martin Luther

Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear friends,

On Sunday 26th June 1983 I was ordained to the sacred priesthood by the Right Reverend Graham Leonard, the Bishop of London, in St Paul's Cathedral underneath the lantern. I have vivid memories of that day which have never left me. I was the Deacon chosen to read the Gospel, so my ordination involved one or two changes of clothing (from dalmatic to chasuble). Our hands were anointed. We took hold of a chalice and paten and concelebrated the Ordination Mass with the Bishop. Forty years ago this was unusual!

On Sunday 25th June 2023 we celebrate the fortieth anniversary of my ordination, but also that of the dear friend who, some months ago, agreed to come and be part of the celebrations. The Very Reverend Michael Tavinor is the retired Dean of Hereford who preached for us last Assumption tide. As we were ordained alphabetically according to our surnames, Michael was ordained but a few minutes after me. We have been there for each other across the forty years and will remain friends forever.

So, I want very much to think of this weekend as a celebration of both of our ordinations and years of priestly ministry.

It is thrilling that so many of you have signed up for the Celebratory Lunch, and I am expecting a good number of visitors who I know you will greet warmly over drinks after the service. Thank you in advance to everyone involved in the catering. And thank you all for your on-going love and support which means so much to me. Please pray for me as I pray for you. Ever,

Fr Brendan

PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

| Saturday 24 June | Our Blessed Virgin Mary. We celebrate the birth of St John the Baptist and pray for all parishes which bear his name |
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| Sunday 25 June | Our Church and parish and all residents of Elm Tree Road, Orchard Road, The Paddock and Knightstone Court |
| Monday 26 June | All premature babies, their parents, families and carers |
| Tuesday 27 June | St Cyril of Alexandria and all Orthodox Christians |
| Wednesday 28 June | All who are housebound and lonely |
| Thursday 29 June | ST PETER AND ST PAUL Our local businesses and market traders |
| Friday 30 June | All dentists, opticians and paediatricians |
| Saturday 1 July | |
| Sunday 2 July | |

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



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 25 June | Parish Lunch to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of Fr Brendan's ordination |
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| 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 |

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

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IT WAS ONLY AFTER NOAH FINISHED HIS ARK PROTOTYPE THAT HE FINALLY ADMITTED THAT HE DID NOT KNOW WHAT A CUBIT WAS

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.



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.



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/



"If I send my prayer as a text message, will I get a faster reply?"

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.

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

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.

St. John's Summer Fete !!

Saturday July 15th 2.00-4.00pm

We are looking for offers of support to help set-up, pack-up and run a variety of stalls. Lists are at the back of church, please sign up!

We need donations for

- Raffle (list of items at the back of Church)
- Cakes (list at the back of Church)
- Books
- Plants
- Jewellery
- Toiletries
- Bottles
- Knitted, crochets or handmade goods
- Preserves

Please put in the bags at the back of church. Plants and cakes on the day please, we set up from 1pm.

Celia Quiz !

1. When were the tennis courts first opened on Clevedon's Salthouse Fields?

2. When did our royalties' surname change from Saxe-Coburg- Gotha to Windsor?

3. From which country does the cockatoo originate?

4. Who is now the most successful player in men's tennis?

5. How many 'brothers' does Jesus have according to the Gospel of Luke?

6. In which decade did London's first electric train run?

7. What is the Welsh name for the Pembrokeshire coastal town of Fishguard?

8. Lucy Worsley is host of which new Channel 5 quiz game?

9. 'Nations shall speak peace unto nations' is the motto of which organisation?

10. Who led the Peasants' Revolt in England in 1381?

11. How many time zones does New Zealand have in summer?

12. Where in the music world would you find a claribel?

13. What was a vital accessory for old computers(ie ZXSpectrum)?

14. Who was the last Emperor of Ethiopia?

15. Which plant's wood is used in lead pencils and its berries for alcohol flavouring?

16. Who wrote the first 26 books of The **Railway series?**

GORDON'S POSERS

a: riverside laundry; b: plus 're' = hellow! ; c: next to 'Mill o t F '

Thank You

A very big thank you to all who helped with the cleaning of the Church and tidying the churchyard on Wednesday 21 June. It was a great effort by those that attended and a lot was achieved, all adding to the beauty of the Church both inside and out. We hope to repeat this effort again in a few weeks.

Sandra and Derek.



Volunteers needed in Clevedon!

Help asylum seekers in temporary accommodation feel welcome

We're looking for sensitive, friendly, proactive people to give 2-4 hours a week (times and days flexible to suit)



More information: rwns.org.uk/volunteer Email:

volunteer.coordinator@rwns.org.uk

Refugees Welcome North Somerset

www.rwns.ora.uk Charity no: 1198327 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 emailed at <u>churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk</u> Gary's email address is <u>churchwarden2@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk</u>

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

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<u>www.achurchnearyou.com/church/111185/</u> or on YouTube 'St John's Clevedon' or on Facebook: St John the Evangelist Church, Clevedon or join our WhatsApp group.