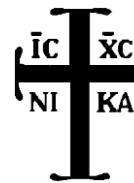




St John the Evangelist Newsletter



SUNDAY 25 JULY 2021

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR/TRINITY 8

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 24 July –

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Cover

Sunday 25 July – Seventeenth Sunday and Trinity 8

10.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Said Evening Prayer from the BCP

Monday 26 July – Ss Joachim and Anna

18.00 Mass - Fr Brendan Clover

Tuesday 27 July

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Wednesday 28 July

10.00 Mass – Fr Robert Ward

Thursday 29 July – Ss Martha, Mary and Lazarus

12.30 Market Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Friday 30 July

10.00 BCP Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Saturday 31 July – St Ignatius of Loyola

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

Sunday 1 August – Eighteenth Sunday and Trinity 9

10.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Said Evening Prayer from the BCP

Words from Fr Brendan Clover

Dear friends at St John's,

Nicola, Nick and I met on Monday evening to talk about how we use our church now that the restrictions have been lifted.

What we propose now will be reviewed in September.

The 'Track and trace' procedure is no longer strictly necessary, but we think it prudent to keep a log of people attending for worship. We hope this is not off putting.

We have a 'temporary faculty' for the seating in church to remain as it is, and we intend leaving it as it is so that pews remain more than 2 metres apart. We encourage you to sit in your "bubbles". The 'One Way' directions will also remain, but the south door will be used for entry and recess. The North door reverts to its use as a disabled access.

We are going to sing! The recorded hymns we have been using over the past months (which are given to us each week by the Church of England free of copyright restrictions) will be played over the sound system as before and you are encouraged to join in. Please restrain from loud singing - it isn't a football match - it is the worship of Almighty God. Please join in the Entrance Hymn, the Recessional hymn and the Communion hymn. We will listen to an anthem at the Offertory as the altar is prepared and the gifts, and we, are honoured with incense.

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The Mass readings for this Sunday:

2 Kings 4:42-44 (*Reader: Sandra*)

Ephesians 4:1-6 (*Reader: Alison*)

St John 6:1-15

Psalm 145

**R: You open wide your hand, O Lord,
and satisfy our needs.**

(*Intercessor: Debra*)

CELEBRATION SUNDAY

Please join us for refreshments after the Sunday morning Mass. In the Church Hall if the weather is wet.

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Masks: we cannot enforce the wearing of masks, but we encourage it at the moment for the sake of the common good, not least with the cases of COVID locally on the rise.

Holy Communion: along with hymn singing we expect that the removal of the Common Cup has been a significant loss. From this Sunday a eucharistic minister will be at the North door with a charged and consecrated chalice. If you wish to, you may go to that chalice after the celebrant has given you the Host, dip the Host in the Precious Blood, and receive your Communion. No words will be said. Both the celebrant and the eucharistic minister will have the faces covered, as before.

We will continue sharing the Peace as before... without physical contact.

As I said we will review these changes in September, but we hope that what we propose goes some way towards recognising a changing situation, whilst being sensitive to the local situation and any anxieties you may have.

I hope to see many of you at Mass on Sunday, and don't forget... there are opportunities to come to church every day, and sometimes a quieter, more reflective service, can recharge our spiritual batteries.

Ever,

Fr Brendan



The Vicarage Telephone Number is 01275 879617.

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

Daily Prayer (The Office)

Evening Prayer is said publicly in church every day (except Wednesday) at 5.30pm.

From September on the first Sunday of the month there will be Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament after Evening Prayer.

Morning Prayer is said at 9.30am when there is a 10.00am Mass.

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.

SUMMER FETE GIFT DATE DONATION APPEAL



Thank you to those who gave generously for the gift day. It's not too late if you would like to make a donation online either by a transfer to our account (PAROCHIAL CNCL JOHNS CLEVEDON; Sort code 52-21-39; Account no. 92696767) or via our Give a Little site (<https://givealittle.co/campaigns/b8e3af98-2c05-4dfb-bd27-570f15c91a21>) using the reference "Summer Fete" so we can account for any donations as a fund raising activity and remember if you are a tax payer please use gift aid which will give us an extra 25% at no cost to you. If you would prefer to leave a donation in the collection plate in church, please place it in an envelope marked summer fete gift.



SUMMER AT ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST

During the month of August there will be Mass on Thursday at 12.30pm celebrated by Fr Robert Ward, and Mass on Friday at 10am celebrated by John Andrews.
No other weekday services will take place.

Sunday Mass at 10.30am will be offered as usual.

Sunday 15th August - Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady

10.30am Solemn Mass of the Assumption - Preacher: Jessica Smith, lay reader at All Hallows' Easton, Bristol

Noon – 4.00 pm VICARAGE BBQ AND GARDEN PARTY open to all
Fr Brendan invites us to come and celebrate the Feast at a housewarming, licensing, any reason to celebrate, gathering...

If the weather is inclement... in the Vicarage (assuming we are allowed!)

RSVP to parishpriest@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk

Dates for your Diary – all subject to Covid restrictions

Sunday 15 August Vicarage BBQ and Garden Party
Open to all. See notice above.

Saturday 28 August Parish Barbecue
4.00pm - 6 pm Revised date – final deadline for numbers and dietary requirements will be 22 August.
Booking details to follow shortly.

Saturday 2 October Harvest supper
Early evening

November Murder Mystery Evening with ploughman's supper - play written by very talented local author
Date to be confirmed



WORKING PARTY

Volunteers Needed!



Volunteers are needed for a working party on **31 July**. **Please note new date.** Weeding needs doing around the church boundary and the gates need preparing to help Derek with his excellent work re-painting the external woodwork.

Bring a hoe, gloves, a bucket, wire brushes, abrasive paper or whatever else you think may see the job done.

Names to me please (so I can let you know if we need to change the date!)

churchwarden2@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk

See you then. Thanks, Nick



Coffee Rota Appeal

Although we aren't going to start up coffees just yet, we are providing cold drinks outside and all being well, will be able to move to doing coffees again in the near future so I am appealing for people to let me know if they are willing to be included in the rota, which I will draw up in the next few weeks. I have had confirmation from a couple of people who used to be on it and Nicola has mentioned 2 others but if people can email my treasurer email address -

pcctreasurer@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk - to confirm as I can't leave a list at the back of church at the moment.

Thanks, **Fiona**



Pilgrimage to the Shrine of our Lady Walsingham

The arrangements for our pilgrimage are in hand and the dates are confirmed, 21 to 24 October 2021. The cost per person is £192 Half Board (bed, breakfast and evening meal) or £222 Full Board (bed, breakfast, lunch and evening meal).

A £10 deposit is needed payable as soon as possible. Please send a bank transfer to the PCC account

Sort code: 52-21-39

Account number: 92696767

Account name: PAROCHIAL CNCL JOHNS CLEVEDON

Use your Surname & the reference Walsingham to identify the payment for Fiona, the Treasurer please.

Travel remains to be arranged. Accommodation will be in either twin or single bedrooms within the environs of the Shrine. Please contact Peter Woolf at 38 Somerton Road, Clevedon, telephone 07976209344 or email pedmw@blueyonder.co.uk to both confirm your attendance on the pilgrimage and that the deposit has been paid.

There are several ways you can prepare for the pilgrimage. If you are not already a member of the Society of Our Lady of Walsingham, please consider joining. You will receive regular newsletters giving the Shrine's up to date information. The cost of becoming a member of the Society is £20 single or £35 for a couple per annum.

If St John's has 7 members (not including Father Brendan) we can form a Walsingham Cell, a way of strengthening the ties with the Shrine within the worshipping community of St Johns.

If you have any questions, please contact Peter – details as above.

On-line Giving

Here is the link for 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.

Votive Candles



We will continue to ask for a show of hands at the beginning of the service. This is to indicate how many votives our members and visitors would like lit by a Server and extinguished at the end of the service. Thank you for your co-operation.



Donations to Clevedon Food Bank can be put in the Food bank bin at Tesco, taken to the Food Bank in Knowles Road on Mondays or Fridays between 9.30 and 11.30 am, or added to your local street collection.

There is also a basket in the porch at Church for your goods. Please deposit them when entering the building. Thank you. Sue

Answers to Celia's Quiz - 'A MISCELLANY'

1. 82degrees
2. Barclay Card (1966)
3. Spiny Anteater
4. Ian Rankin
5. Lions Club International (Clevedon Lions Club plaque)
6. 1997
7. Chicago
8. Gardner's' World
9. Four (James, Joseph, Simon, Judas)
10. 9 million
11. Wallsend
12. Bath Rugby Union
13. Fine by Eleven
14. Turkey
15. Solid, Liquid, Gas
16. 1877

And to Gordon's Teasers!!

- a: 'Typo' for lobster? - Vobster
b: Carry fuel over here - Coleford;
c: Unlikely to grow into a Great Oak - Little Elm

Wellspring Counselling Service continues to offer vital support

Wellspring Counselling has been caring for people across North Somerset since 1994. The service provides affordable, professional counselling for adults as well as donation-based counselling for young people aged 11 to 18.

Wellspring has counsellors available to help adults with a wide range of concerns, including anxiety, depression, relationship issues, abuse and bereavement. All counsellors are professionally trained, have regular clinical supervision and engage in Continued Professional Development.

If you think counselling could benefit you please call the reception team on 01275 810879 or email reception@wellspringcounselling.org.uk For more information visit www.wellspringcounselling.org.uk

If you need to contact a Churchwarden please contact Nicola Coaker or Nick Dixon. Nicola can be contacted on 07940759891 or email her at churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk
Nick'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

Please follow us on our new website at: <https://www.stjohns-clevedon.org.uk/> or at

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 Sunday Club – Trinity 8

Sunday 25 July 2021 – 8th Sunday after Trinity (Proper 12) - What Can I Give?

Bible readings – John 6: 1-15

Questions

Have you ever done something simple that made a big difference?

- Which part of this story is most surprising to you?
- What does the story teach you about giving and trusting?

Prayer suggestion

Thank God that he accepts the little we offer and uses it in amazing ways.

*Lord, Jesus, you care for us and our needs
May we learn to come to you for renewal and refreshment
Help us to be aware of the hunger and homeless
in our world and help them when we can
Amen*

This week's challenge

Ask God to use your gift in a miraculous way

Quote from Mother Teresa

"It's not how much we give but how much love we put into giving"

Activity suggestions

Activity sheet for Proper 12

Puzzles, word searches and colouring in the Young Church Mag (YCM) for this week based on John 6: 1-15

Bible Chat Mat

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)