

# St John the Evangelist **Newsletter**



**SUNDAY 30 OCTOBER 2022** 

**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY** 

If you wish to contribute to the next edition of the newsletter, please email office@stjohnsclevedon.org.uk marking your email 'Newsletter Article' by 12 noon Thursdays weekly.

#### **Church Services (also on-line)**

#### Saturday 29 October

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

#### Sunday 30 October - All Saints

10.30 Solemn Mass - Fr Brendan Clover

17.30 Evening Prayer and Benediction

#### **Monday 31 October**

18.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

#### **Tuesday 1 November**

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

#### Wednesday 2 November – All Souls Day

10.00 Mass - Fr Robert Ward

#### **Thursday 3 November**

12.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

#### Friday 4 November - St Charles Borromeo

10.00 BCP Mass – Revd Prebendary John Andrews

#### Saturday 5 November

10.00 NO MASS

#### Sunday 6 November - Thirty Second Sunday

10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover

18.00 Faure's Requiem Mass – Clevedon Choral

Society

The Mass readings for this Sunday:

Revelation 7:2-4 & 9-14 (Reader: Helen)

Psalm 24:1-6

#### R: Such are the ones who seek your face, O Lord

1 John 3:1-3 (Reader: Celia)

St Matthew 5:1-12

Intercessor - Judith





#### **Words from Fr Brendan Clover**

Dear friends,

We are sorry that due to unforeseen circumstances the Archdeacon of Bath is no longer able to be with us as our preacher this coming Sunday, All Saints Sunday. He sends his sincere apologies and hopes to rearrange for the future. So it is me again I'm afraid!

No Christian is solitary. Through baptism we become members one of another in Christ, members of a company of saints whose mutual belonging transcends death:

One family, we dwell in him, one Church, above, beneath; though now divided by the stream, the narrow stream of death.

(Charles Wesley)

All Saints' Day and the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed on All Souls' Day both celebrate this mutual belonging.

All Saints' Day celebrates men and women in whose lives the Church has seen the grace of God powerfully at work. It is an opportunity to give thanks for that grace, and for the wonderful ends to which it shapes a human life; it is a time to be encouraged by the example of the saints and to recall that sanctity may grow in the ordinary

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circumstances, as well as the extraordinary crises, of human living.

The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed celebrates the saints in a more local and intimate key. It allows us to remember with thanksgiving before God those whom we have known more directly: those who gave us life, or who nurtured us in faith. How privileged we are that Clevedon Choral will sing Faure's Requiem for us next Sunday at 6pm. At that service the names of our beloved dead will be read out.

Redemption is a work of God's grace; it is God who redeems us in Christ and there is nothing to be done beyond what Christ has done. But we still wait for the final consummation of God's new creation in Christ; those who are Christ's, whether they have passed through death, are joined in prayer that God's kingdom will be revealed finally and in all its fullness. We also sense that it is a fearful thing to come before the unutterable goodness and holiness of God, even for those who are redeemed in Christ; that it is searing as well as life-giving to experience God's mercy; and this instinct also is expressed in the liturgy of All Souls' Day.

With my love and prayers,

Fr Brendan

#### PRAYER DIARY

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

**Sunday 30 October** Our Church and parish and the residents of Butterfield Park

**Monday 31 October** Martin Luther, reformer. All affected by dyslexia and those who develop means to help

them

**Tuesday 1 November** All Saints Day

Wednesday 2 November All Souls and the commemoration of the faithful departed

**Thursday 3 November** Our Clevedon Market traders. Martin de Porres – patron saint of race relations

Friday 4 November Farmers who lose their herds to TB and consequently their livelihoods

**Saturday 5 November** Our Lady of Walsingham and all pilgrims to the Shrine, particularly our own St John's Cell

**Sunday 6 November** Our Church and parish and the residents of Wickfield and Hayward Close



**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.



With Christmas in mind, Clevedon Foodbank would particularly appreciate gifts

Tins of ham Pringles, or similar tubs of crisps

Tins of salmon Christmas puddings

Savoury biscuits and crackers

Chocolate logs Christmas cakes

Supermarket food vouchers

Your donations can be brought to Church (as soon as possible please) and left in the plastic bucket in the porch. They will be delivered to the Food Bank by the end of November.

#### **VOLUNTEERS PLEASE!**

Saturday 18 February



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.

#### Plant Sale May/June 2023

Please start thinking about this. If you are taking cuttings or splitting plants this autumn, please do a few extra for the church plant sale.



#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

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

Sunday 30 October Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass

Saturday 19 November Christmas Fayre in the Church Hall – 2.00 to 4.00 pm. Details to follow.

**Sunday 20 November** Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass

Saturday 3 December Christmas Wreath Making in the Church Hall – 10.00 to 12.00 am. Details to follow.

Saturday 3 December Children's Christmas Trail. 2.00 to 4.00 pm. Details to follow.

**Sunday 11 December** Children's Christmas Trail. 2.00 to 4.00 pm. Details to follow

**Sunday 8 January** Epiphany Party in the Church Hall – 12.30 after Mass. Details to follow.

Jumble Sale in the Church Hall – 14.00 to 16.00. Details to follow.

#### **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 King) 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.

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@stjohnsclevedon.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.



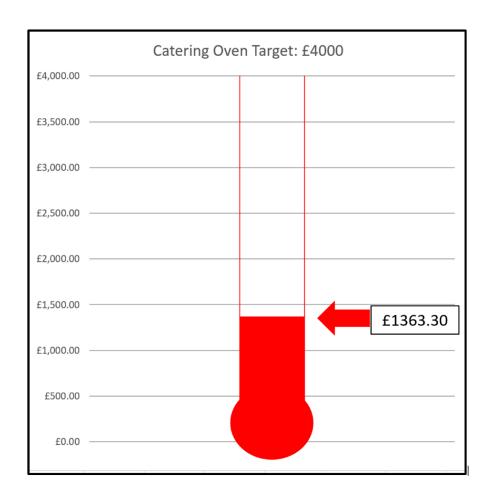
## Jam jars



We are looking for jam jars (no lids necessary) to make preserves for the Church Christmas Fayre.
Please leave at the back of church.

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.



# Christmas Wreath Workshop

Saturday 3rd Dec 2022 10.00am-12.00pm.

St John's Church Hall, Queen's Road, Clevedon.

All materials and tuition provided £25.00

Includes light refreshments.

All proceeds to St John's Church Hall Restoration Fund.

To book email:

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#### **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/



#### **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.



### It's Shoebox Time!

**Operation Christmas Child** is once again collecting shoeboxes full of small gifts to send to children in need around the world. Suggestions for gifts include toys, school supplies, hygiene items, hat, gloves, scarf - but no toothpaste or sweets, no liquids or glass. Further details and parcel labels from Sue Rossiter (tel 01275 877710).

Shoeboxes should be returned to church by Sunday 13 November. Alternatively you can pack a shoebox online at <a href="mailto:shoeboxonline.samaritans-purse.org.uk">shoeboxonline.samaritans-purse.org.uk</a>. The intention this year is to send boxes to Ukraine, and to nearby countries such as Moldova and Romania which have taken lots of refugees. Thank you.



#### ADVANCE NOTICE !!

#### **SATURDAY 26 NOVEMBER – A BIG CHURCH CLEAN**

PLEASE PUT THIS DATE IN YOUR DIARIES – IT IS THE DAY BEFORE ADVENT SUNDAY. WE NEED TO GIVE OUR BEAUTIFUL CHURCH A DEEP CLEAN BEFORE ADVENT BEGINS SO THAT WHEN CHRISTMAS COMES WE ARE ALL READY WITH A CLEAN AND TIDY CHURCH.

The floors need sweeping, the cobwebs dislodging, brass cleaned, furniture polished – if we have lots of volunteers it will be a fun morning and much will be achieved.

There will be coffee and refreshments but they will be rewards for lots of elbow grease.

PLEASE JOIN US AFTER MASS ON SATURDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER.

Sandra Coker and Diane Woolf

#### 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 <a href="https://www.stjohns-clevedon.org.uk/">https://www.stjohns-clevedon.org.uk/</a>

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.



# If you need to contact a Churchwarden please contact Nicola Coaker or Gary Lewis. Nicola can emailed at <a href="mailto:churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk">churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk</a> Gary's email address is churchwarden2@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk

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

Please follow us on our website at: <a href="https://www.stjohns-clevedon.org.uk/">https://www.stjohns-clevedon.org.uk/</a> or at <a href="https://www.stjohns-clevedon.org.uk/">www.achurchnearyou.com/church/111185/</a> or on YouTube 'St John's Clevedon' or on Facebook: St John the Evangelist Church, Clevedon or join our WhatsApp group.

#### Celia Quiz!!

- 2. When was the present chamber of the House of Commons opened?
- 3. What country lies between Morocco and Tunisia?
- 4. Which British athlete has broken the world decathlon record 4 times?
- 5. From which century does Clevedon's St. Andrew's Church date?
- 6. When did Kodak first produce cameras for general use?
- 7. What is the name of the greyhound\collie cross breed?
- 8. Which TV medical drama has just shown its final episode?
- 9. What unusual solar event occurred this late October?
- 10. Which 1820 conspiracy took place in a location near London's Edgeware Road?
- 11. What is the name of Cornwall's greenhouse complex?
- 12. How many Shakespeare plays are about a King Henry?
- 13. What is the ancient literary language of India?
- 14. Where was Francis Drake playing bowls before the Armada?
- 15. What is the collective name for a group of monkeys?
- 16. Who wrote the musical Oliver?

#### **GORDON'S POSERS**

a: No use after the horse has bolted; b: Even up? No!; c: Fore remains in the valley

# Holocaust Memorial Event Clevedon

Friday 28 October 2022, 7.30pm

St. Andrews Centre, Old Church Road, Clevedon BS217UE



## Britain and the Holocaust – The Connections

### Keynote speakers:

- Professor Tony Kushner
   Parkes Institute, University of Southampton
- Dr Aimee Bunting
   Godolphin and Latymer School, London

The evening also includes Music, Youth Poetry reading and refreshments.

To book your free place email: hmdnorthsomerset@gmail.com

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