

# St John the Evangelist **Newsletter**



## **SUNDAY 31 JULY 2022**

#### EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Words from Fr Brendan Clover

This Sunday, 31st July, we welcome back our friend

Fred Campbell. There is the chance to meet with

This is the last newsletter before the summer

break, so let me draw your attention to some

events happening over the next few weeks.

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>.

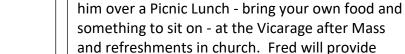
## **Church Services (also on-line)**

#### Saturday 30 July

10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover Sunday 31 July – Eighteenth Sunday 10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover 17.30 Evening Prayer Monday 1 August 18.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover **Tuesday 2 August** 10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover Wednesday 3 August 10.00 Mass – Revd Prebendary John Andrews Thursday 4 August – St John Mary Vianney 12.30 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover Friday 5 August 10.00 BCP Mass – Fr Brendan Clover Saturday 6 August – Transfiguration of the Lord 10.00 Mass – Fr Brendan Clover Sunday 7 August – Nineteenth Sunday 10.30 Solemn Mass – Fr Brendan Clover 17.30 Evening Prayer and Benediction

The Mass readings for this Sunday: Ecclesiastes 1:2 & 2:21-23 (*Reader: Robert*) Psalm 95 **R:** Colossians 3:1-5 & 9-11 (*Reader: Alison*) St Luke 12:13-21 Intercessor – Presiding Priest

He who kneels before God can stand before anyone.



Dear friends,

drinks. On Sunday 14th August we celebrate the Assumption of Our Lady with Solemn Mass at 10.30am and a parish BBQ, again in the Vicarage garden. Please buy your tickets for the lunch. The preacher at Mass is the recently retired Dean of Hereford, the Very Reverend Michael Tavinor. We were both at Theological College together, exact contemporaries, and thus we have been friends since 1979!

During my summer break, which begins on Monday 15th August, the only weekday services will be Mass on Thursdays at 12.30pm, and Mass on Fridays at 10am. Thank you, Fr Robert and John, for agreeing to cover these Masses, and for celebrating on Sunday 21st August and Sunday 4th September. I will be here for Sunday 28th August midway through my break, and I'm pleased to announce that our preacher that day will be Kevin Coaker - his first sermon! The normal pattern of things will resume from Sunday 11th September. So, whatever you are doing over the summer I hope that you will be blessed. Remember that the word holiday is short hand for 'holy' and 'day' - a time to get to know God better as well as to relax... Ever

Fr Brendan

# **PRAYER DIARY**

Please include the following in your daily intercessions:-

Sunday 31 July Our Church, our parish and the residents of Chapel Hill and Lime Kiln Lane Monday 1 August St Alphonsus – we pray for all solicitors and lawyers All travellers and holiday makers that they may return home rested and refreshed **Tuesday 2 August** Wednesday 3 August All farmers and food producers **Thursday 4 August** Jean-Baptiste Vianney and all spiritual guides. All market traders, retailers and artisans Friday 5 August Oswald, King of Northumberland Saturday 6 August Transfiguration of the Lord. The anniversary of the dropping of a bomb on Hiroshima Sunday 7 August Our Church, our parish and the residents of The Triangle, Station Road, Old Church Road and Melbourne Terrace



APPEAL for small (and quiet) children's toys or jigsaws to go into the play sacks we are planning to place at the back of the Church. Please speak to Nicola if you think you may be able to help and/or have something suitable.



#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

(All subject to there being no changes in Covid restrictions

Monday 1 August Tuesday 2 August Sunday 14 August Tuesday 16 August Sunday 21 August September TBC Sunday 30 October Sunday 20 November 2.00 – 4.00 Summer Workshop – Build a Water Rocket
2.00 - 4.00 Summer Workshop – Willow Weaving: Make a bird feeder Parish BBQ at The Vicarage after Mass
2.00 – 4.00 Summer Workshop – We're going on a Bug Hunt Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass
Australian Evening – an entertaining talk with Aussie wine and extras Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass
Celebration Sunday – cakes and wine in Church after Mass
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

# SUMMER WORKSHOPS FOR CHILDREN

Three FREE summer workshops will take place in and around the Church/Church Hall on 1, 2 and 16 August between 2.00 and 4.00 pm. There will be a pop-up café serving tea/coffee/squash and cakes. The workshops are Build a Water Rocket (9-13 year olds), Willow Weaving Bird Feeders (10+ year olds, though younger children are welcome to take part with parental help) and We're Going on a Bug Hunt (3-10 year olds).

Children must be accompanied by an adult who must remain in the Church grounds.

Please see the Diary above. If you are able to help with serving refreshments or making a cake, please speak to Sarah Lewis.



# SUNDAY 14 AUGUST AT THE VICARAGE

Tickets for the annual BBQ are on sale now. The cost is £5.00 per person, under 16's eat for free. The ticket will cover the cost of meat and essential BBQ fare (bread rolls, a simple green salad, ketchup etc). Hot food will be available from 12.30 pm. If you would like to supply a more elaborate salad, or a dessert, please add your name to the list which is at the back of the Church. Please speak to Nicola or Debra for further information.

## 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.

# **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.



I KNOW YOU ASKED ME TO 'COME FOURTH'

**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 Foodbank** is still in need 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.

During the 6-week school summer holidays, they anticipate that they will give out over 300 lunch bag parcels to school-aged children to fill the gap without school meals. The majority of the items listed below will be used in the lunch bag parcels. If you would like to donate any of the items, it would be appreciated.

Cereal	Fruit juice
Tinned pasta	Rice pudding
Tinned vegetables	Custard
Tinned tuna	Rice
Pasta sauce	Cooking sauce
Biscuits	Tinned meat
Soap	Shower gel
Washing up liquid	

Over 90% of the food distributed by foodbanks in The Trussell Trust network is donated by the public

- that's why your food donations are absolutely vital to their ability to give everyone referred to

them a balanced and nutritious three day supply of food.

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, or contact them on info@clevedondistrict.foodbank.org.uk or tel. 07722 769529

#### **On-line Giving**

Here is the link to our on line facility:

<u>https://givealittle.co/campaigns/b8e3af98-2c05-4dfb-bd27-570f15c91a21</u> 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

## **ANSWERS TO CELIA'S LAST QUIZ**

1. 1982

2. 1947

3. Bees

4. Leonard Bernstein

5. Jacob

6. Church of England

7. Lake District

8. Fairway

9. Pluto

10. 1893(James Keir Hardie)

11. Crash

12. Water colour paintings

13. Four

14. New South Wales

15. Hungary

16. Angela Lansbury.

GORDON'S a: Midford; b: Cold Ashton; c:Pennsylvania

#### 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/

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 <u>churchwarden@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk</u> Gary's email address is <u>churchwarden2@stjohns-clevedon.org.uk</u> Thank you.

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: <u>https://www.stjohns-clevedon.org.uk/</u> or at <u>www.achurchnearyou.com/church/11185/</u> or on YouTube 'St John's Clevedon' or on Facebook: St John the Evangelist Church, Clevedon or join our WhatsApp group.

#### Sunday 31 July 2022 – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bible reading:

<u>Questions</u>

Prayer suggestion

This week's challenge

Activity suggestions

• Activity sheet for the Eighteenth Sunday of the year

• Puzzles, word searches and colouring in the Young Church Mag (YCM) for this week based on

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