

# ALL SAINTS NEWS

26<sup>th</sup> November 2023  
Sunday next before  
Advent  
Christ the King

## Growing Faith. Together

This is an event for all who minister in parishes: clergy, lay ministers, worship leaders, teachers, lay evangelists, leadership teams (PCCs), pastoral teams, bible study leaders

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2024**  
**9.30 am to 4.00 pm**  
**St Michael, Bristol BS34 8PD**

The Diocese is really privileged to have **Fr Christopher Jamison**, former Abbot of Worth Abbey, as the keynote speaker for this day. He will be helping us to reflect on how spiritual patterns of discipleship can be incorporated into our daily lives. In addition, in the afternoon he will be leading a workshop of the special gifts of Benedictine spirituality.

As well as the keynote speaker we will be drawing on resources and learning from across the Diocese as people share resources and practices that they have found fruitful. Over lunch there will be time for reflection and for parish teams to chat with the presenters and explore how what they are learning can help them look at their own contexts with different eyes.

### Those we will be learning from include:

- ★ Andy Schumann on Sabbath rest
- ★ Clive Deverel on Holy Habits
- ★ Beverley Charles and Steve Dyson on intentional discipleship pathways in a priority context
- ★ Debbie Dewes on her 543+1 course which helps to create a common vocabulary for discussion spiritual development in PCCs and churches
- ★ David Ball introducing the 'Gold Course'

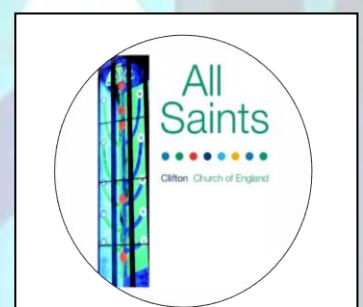
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- ★ Mick Sital Singh looking at prayer and personality
- ★ Mark Nam on how to create and sustain a culture of small group learning
- ★ Anjali Kanagaratnam on including and learning from different cultures in our discipleship plans
- ★ Stephanie Hayton on making the most of lay leadership in helping people to grow in faith
- ★ Sarah Wattley on developing Pathways for Young People
- ★ David Stephenson and Steve Wilkinson on Pilgrimage

Our final guest speaker will be **Steve Rouse from LICC** who will be introducing the next learning event, taking place in May where we will be exploring ways to support our congregations to live as Christians in the 95% of their lives when they are not in church.

Book a place on Eventbrite:

[Growing Faith. Together](#)

## Christ the King

For those denominations that follow the Common Lectionary, of which the Anglican Church is one, the Feast of Christ the King is observed on the last Sunday before Advent Sunday. It is the end of the liturgical year and in some Lutheran churches it is referred to as Judgement Sunday, but for many Anglicans it is referred to as 'Stir Up Sunday'. A name inspired by the Collect in the Book of Common Prayer for that Feast Day:

*Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*



Historically this was also the Sunday when Christmas baking was begun as in stirring ingredients in a mixing bowl: Christmas cake, Christmas puddings etc.

The Feast of Christ the King is a fairly recent addition to the Liturgical Calendar and originates in the Roman Catholic Church. Here is an excerpt from a November 2021 article from the Catholic News Agency:

*"The feast was introduced in the Western liturgical calendar in 1925 by Pope Pius XI, via the encyclical "Quas Primas." Pope Pius XI was about to close the Jubilee year of 1925 in the context of the growing secularist nationalism that followed the fall of European kingdoms after World War I, and decided to establish the solemnity to point to a king "of whose kingdom there shall be no end."*

Surprisingly, the first parish in the world to be consecrated in honour of Our Lord Christ the King was established by Pope Pius XI not in Europe, but in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1926.

The feast day was originally observed on the last Sunday of October prior to the Feast of All Saints but was moved to the Sunday before Advent I in order to align it more closely with the liturgical year.

## Congratulations to Sam Dowling!

Sam, son of Mary and Tim, has an artwork in the Royal West of England Academy's 170th Annual Open Exhibition.

Probably the youngest exhibitor this year, his Juxtaposition of Man-Made and Organic Decay (ceramic and metal) is the winning entry of the Floating Circle Prize (sponsored by the Friends of the RWA).

You have until 14th January to see this thought-provoking piece



Sam Dowling is the winner of The Floating Circle Prize at the RWA 170 Open Exhibition

His sculptural work

*Juxtaposition of Man-Made and Organic Decay*

combines ceramic and metal objects to striking effect, impressing the Academician judges and winning the prize amid very strong competition.

 Clifton High School



## LUNCHTIME CONCERT

Tuesday 5th December, 1.00pm  
All Saints Church, Pembroke Road

Featuring the Male Voice Choir and soloists from Year 9 to 13

Open to parents, staff and the public

For more information, contact Mrs Johnson,  
[mjohnson@cliftonhigh.co.uk](mailto:mjohnson@cliftonhigh.co.uk)

**All Saints**  
Clifton Church of England

**Parish Lunch**

Join us in the Randall Room after Mass for  
**Parish Lunch**  
**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November @ 12.30pm**

A delicious home-cooked 3-course meal  
(main, pudding, cheese & biscuits)

Vegetarian/gluten free can be accommodated

Cash Bar

Tickets: £6 each; £12 for a family

On sale in church: from Sunday 5 Nov

Contact Janice: [jhopkins57@vsnl.co.uk](mailto:jhopkins57@vsnl.co.uk)  
OR  
All Saints Parish Office  
0117 974 1355; [www.allsaintsclifton.org](http://www.allsaintsclifton.org)

Last chance to book a place at the Parish Lunch on Sunday !

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**The Community of the Sisters of the Church**  
82 Ashley Road  
Bristol BS6 5NT

Tel 0117 941 3268  
Mobile 07846 629086

**CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2023**

The Sisters are looking for donations for their Christmas Food and Gift parcels.

This year they are asking for hats, gloves and socks for men and women.  
Toiletry sets for men and women and Argos or One4all gift cards for children.



If you are able to help or give a donation towards the Christmas gifts please see the poster in the porch.

All Saints Church Clifton

**Sunday**

**November 26th**

**3pm**

**Choral Evensong**

for the feast of  
**Christ the King**

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All Saints Church Pembroke Rd Clifton

concert matinée

**Saturday**

**December 2<sup>nd</sup> 4pm**

**Advent  
Arias**

Handel  
Bach

**Christmas  
Cantata**

seasonal music for voices  
instrumental ensemble & organ  
with James Drinkwater organ

Amelia Jones soprano

Jenna Brown alto

Samir Savant tenor

Oliver Parry bass

retiring collection

tea & cake



Founded by Meg Grimes in 1986

# 2023 Christmas Carol Service



**Thank you very much for the generous response to the request for socks !**

We are pleased to welcome guests, volunteers and supporters to our annual Carol Service. It will be held at the Nightshelter at 16 Little Bishop Street, St Pauls, Bristol, BS2 9JF on Wednesday 6th December at 7pm. Refreshments and mince pies will be served afterwards. All welcome.

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**Christmas 2023 Events**  
 @ All Saints, Clifton  
 3<sup>RD</sup>-25<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

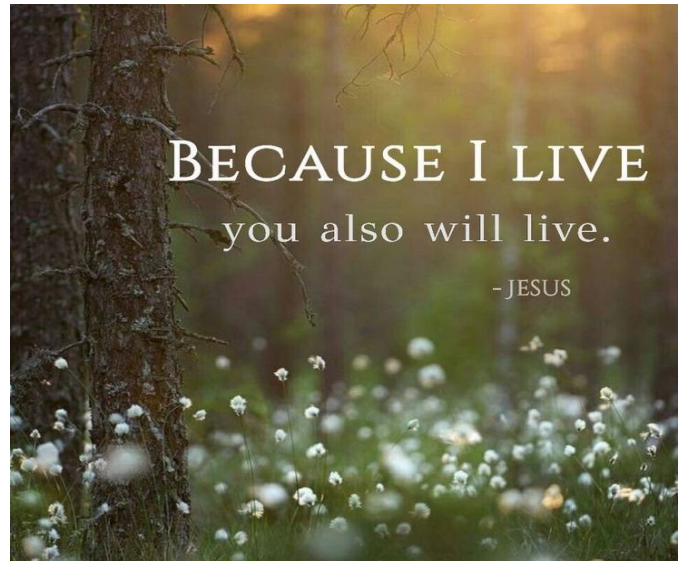
<b>SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER</b>	
- Advent Carol Service	6.00 <sup>PM</sup>
<b>THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER</b>	
- Christmas Carol Service	6.00 <sup>PM</sup>
<b>SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	
- Christmas Story	4.30 <sup>PM</sup> FOR 5.00 <sup>PM</sup>
<b>SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	
- Midnight Mass	10.30 <sup>PM</sup>
<b>MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER</b>	
- Christmas Eucharist with Carols	10.00 <sup>AM</sup>

## Prayers Requests

'In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live.'

(John 14: 19).

Please let Fr Charles know of anyone who would like to be remembered within the weekly prayer list or anyone who you would like to be remembered in prayer.



## Those who we remember in our Prayers.

**Sunday** Tabitha Clark, Ruth and Richard Harding, Katie Norman, Neal Gordon, Joyce Shepherd, Cynthia Ashford Sue Hilliar Mary Greenacre Nadine Benn Lorna Osbon Elisabeth Morgan Andrew Casimir Rev. Melvyn Matthews Sathia Aruliah Ryan Lindsey

### **Monday**

### **Tuesday.**

**Wednesday** , Katrina and Katherine King, Philip Miles, Diana Verity, Samantha Tucker, Hugh Farry Maureen Mumford George Lymeropoulos

### **Thursday**

**Friday** Charlotte Hopkins, Andy & Gina Ford, Caroline Semon, Nicole Kaneza.

### **Saturday**

## The Departed

Ron Gale Valerie Donkin Hugh Barron Chris Benton Helen Campbell  
Chris Chamberlain Rob Dalton Tom Duncan Joanne Wilkins Eileen Davies Len Hughes  
John Morley-Bunker (Pr)

## Years' Minds - this week we remember

Sophia Williams Tom Bateman Beryl Kemp Freddie Temple(Bp) Christine Wooles  
Lovinia Miller Derek Portman Gordon Jones Robert Potter Gillian Barron Cecilia Povey

# ALL SAINTS PRAYERS

Mon 27	Pray for all police officers <i>Understand, our police officers put their lives on the line for us every single day. They've got a tough job to do to maintain public safety and hold accountable those who break the law."</i> <i>Barak Obama</i>
Tue 28	Pray for the work of All Saints Arts. Pray for the many and various performers, the events (concerts and exhibitions), the members of the audience and those who provide the refreshments. Pray for our Director of Music, John Davenport, and all those who work with him.
Wed 29	<b>Mass 10.00 am Thanksgiving Day for the Missionary Work of the Church</b> Pray for the work of Alcoholics Anonymous, a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. Pray for the people who attend the ASC AA meetings.
Thurs 30	<b>Andrew the Apostle</b> Dementia describes a set of symptoms that may include memory loss and difficulties with thinking, problem-solving or language. Pray for those who suffer from dementia, for carers and the medical and support agencies that research, support and care for sufferers.
December Fri 1	<b>Mass 10.00am Charles de Foucauld, Hermit in the Sahara, 1916</b> We pray for all who 'submit to the will of God'. This is the translation of the word 'Islam' – we pray for, Muslims, the billion followers around the world of whom 1.5M live in the UK. Pray for all those who encounter and assist us to encounter with contemporary Islam.
Sat 2	<b>Mass 10.00am</b> During Advent we think of the Light that shines in the darkness. Today pray for all who have their vision compromised. Good vision is something that we all recognize the importance of. However, it is something that a lot of us take for granted. For a lot of people, being blind is something that they have lived with their entire lives. For others, it is something that has crept upon them at a later age. There are then those that have good vision, but they live in fear of this taken away from them. In fact, blindness ranks as one of the top fears for aging people around the world today.
Sunday 3	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent</b>  Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal  <b>Early Worship 9.00am    Parish Mass 10.30am    Advent Carol Service 6.00pm</b>

If you would like to give regularly to the Church, please set up a standing order to the church account, details below

**Parochial Church Council of All Saints**  
**Account No. 65256747**  
**sort code 08 92 99**

Gift Aid forms are available from the office  
[office@allsaintsclifton.org](mailto:office@allsaintsclifton.org)

We are committed to safeguarding children, young people, victims of domestic abuse and vulnerable adults.

If you have any Safeguarding concerns please contact :  
The Parish Safeguarding Officer - Stephen O'Keefe  
[stephen.c.okeefe@gmail.com](mailto:stephen.c.okeefe@gmail.com) and Caroline Davenport  
[c2davbristol@hotmail.com](mailto:c2davbristol@hotmail.com)