

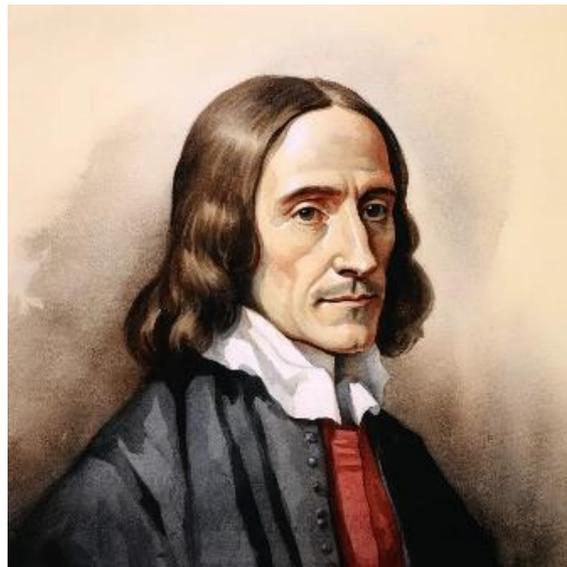
ALL SAINTS NEWS

24th February 2024
2nd Sunday of Lent

George Herbert

English poet and orator - Commemoration 27th February

Although it is for his English devotional poetry that George Herbert is best known, his other works are also worthy of note. Very few of his writings were formally published until after his death, but then he became widely known and read after his friend Nicholas Ferrar succeeded in having *'The Temple'* published by Cambridge University in 1633. Unfortunately, many of Herbert's personal papers were almost certainly lost as a result of the English Civil War.



Poetry Collection - 'The Temple'

Herbert wrote poetry from an early age. After he died, a collection of over 160 of his poems was published and given the title 'The Temple'. It is impossible to determine at what stage of his life each of these poems was written, but we do know that some were revised at Bemerton and others were composed here. *'The Temple'* was so popular in the 17th century that no less than 13 editions were published between 1633 and 1709.

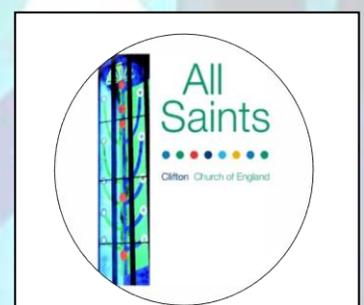
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The main body of poems carries the sub-title '*The Church*', and this section includes all of Herbert's best-known poems. One of the most notable features is the wide variety of metrical forms employed by Herbert. The collection concludes with a single long verse entitled '*The Church Militant*'.

A Priest to the Temple

Herbert wrote this treatise during his time at Bemerton. Sub-titled 'The Country Parson, His Character, and Rule of Holy Life', in the preface he writes:

*"I have resolved to set down the Form and Character of a true Pastor,
that I may have a Mark to aim at".*

While it was written to clear his own mind, it was also aimed at all those who ministered to similar parishes. In particular, he addresses the practical difficulties of bringing the word of God to poorly educated folk and the need for the clergy to set an example for others to follow. First published in 1652, it remains influential to this day.

Outlandish Proverbs

George Herbert's pleasure in brevity fed his interest in proverbs, which he collected over the years, and also possibly wrote some himself. The collection of over 1000 proverbs was first published in 1640, and again with additions in 1651 under the title '*Jacula Prudentum*'. Some of these sayings are still used in modern form today.

*'Who is so deaf that will not hear'
'Good words are worth much, and cost little'*

The Altar **George Herbert**

A broken Altar, Lord, thy servant reares,
Made of a heart, and cemented with teares:
Whose parts are as thy hand did frame;
No workmans tool hath touch'd the same.
A Heart alone
Is such a stone,
As nothing but
Thy pow'r doth cut.
Wherefore each part
Of my hard heart
Meets in this frame,
To praise thy Name;
That, if I chance to hold my peace,
These stones to praise thee may not cease.
O let thy blessed Sacrifice be mine,
And sanctifie this Altar to be thine.

Notes. *This poem is displayed like an Altar; and the 'heart' is an Altar, cemented with tears of brokenness which binds and rebinds our relationships just as mortar binds stone. See Psalm 51:17.*

The Season of Lent



During the Season of Lent there are a variety of ways on offer in which you can prayerfully and thoughtfully engage with the season. Full details are available on the All Saints Website – do look for ‘Lent and Easter at All Saints 2024’ or click directly through from the home page.

The key programmes and activities are:

★ **Lent Programme: Faith Creation and Climate Change**

- Curlews, Conservation and Faith – Mary Colwell. Clifton Cathedral on 27 February 7.30pm (refreshments at 7.00pm).
- ‘Now My Eyes Have Seen You’; Seeing God in creation – Revd Dave Gregory. Tyndale Baptist Church on 5 March 7.30pm (refreshments at 7.00pm).
- ‘Ensoiled Spirituality’; living out an earthed faith – Revd Dr Al Barrett. Cotham Parish Church on 11 March 7.30pm (refreshments at 7.00pm).

★ **Lent Reflection: weekly Lectio Divina on the Lent Gospel Readings**

- 28 February; 6 March; 13 March all at 3.00pm in the Richard Chapel

★ **Recommended reading**

- Tarry Awhile – the Lent Book for 2024
- Watch and Pray – the Lent Bible Reading guide for 2024

★ **Evening Lenten Said Mass**

- 29 February, 7 March, 19 March all at 7.00pm in Richard Chapel

★ **Additional Acts of Worship and Reflection** As in previous years we enter Passiontide with:

- 14 March Thursday Stations of the Cross, in Atrium (**NB** 6.00pm)
- 17 March Sunday Music and Readings for Passiontide (**NB** 6.00pm)

Flower Gifts at Easter



Easter is the holiest day of the Christian calendar, celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ. At Easter flowers are frequently used in abundance to express the joy and triumph of the holiday. And are all the more striking following the season of Lent when flowers have not been used inside church.

Several flowers are traditionally associated with Easter, having acquired symbolic meaning over the years. **Easter lilies:** Easter lilies, with their large white trumpet-shaped blooms and lovely fragrance, are the most well-known flower used at Easter. There are many meanings associated with this flower: for example, the white hue represents Jesus's purity, and the shape of the trumpet recalls the trumpet of the angel Gabriel. Also, the flower grows from a bulb buried in the ground, which is considered symbolic of Christ's resurrection.

Easter Flowers

If you would like to make a donation toward the Easter Flowers and Lilies then please use the envelopes available and give to a Churchwarden.

Flowers in Lent

During the long period of Lent, preceding the Easter celebrations, we observe a time of reflection and fasting and most churches avoid using flowers within the church as this reflects the solemnity of the season. We will continue to have a small arrangement within the Tower, and not in church, as part of the welcome to all visitors and users of our rental spaces. It is also an opportunity to appreciate the gift that our flower team give us throughout the year with their creative work which connects with the seasons and liturgy

Sparkling for Easter

Traditionally, prior to Easter, we have a cleaning day when people volunteer to give some time and participate in 'cleaning activities' (and drink coffee, eat cake and engage in everyday chit-chat).

This year the Cleaning Day will be: **Saturday 16th March between 10.00am and 12 noon.**

There are loads of opportunities:

- ★ Join the silver team in the Sacristy
- ★ Vacuum with purpose – Atrium, Church, Richard Chapel
- ★ Wipe down pews, railings and other items
- ★ Polish glass and de-web windows
- ★ Waxless Sanctuary floor (old credit card is very useful!)

The more the merrier and the more efficient the outcome.

Please feel free to sign-up on the list under the Tower if you're able to give some time for this activity.

Many Thanks one and all!!



All Saints



Clifton Church of England



Parish Lunch



Join us in the Randall Room after Mass for
Mothers Sunday Parish Lunch

Sunday 10th March @ 12.30pm

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

Vegetarian/gluten free can be accommodated if requested in advance

Cash Bar

Tickets: £6 each

On sale in church from Sunday 18th February

Contact Janice: rjhopkins57@yahoo.co.uk

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All Saints Parish Office

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allsaintsarts concert matinée
All Saints Church Pembroke Rd Clifton Bristol

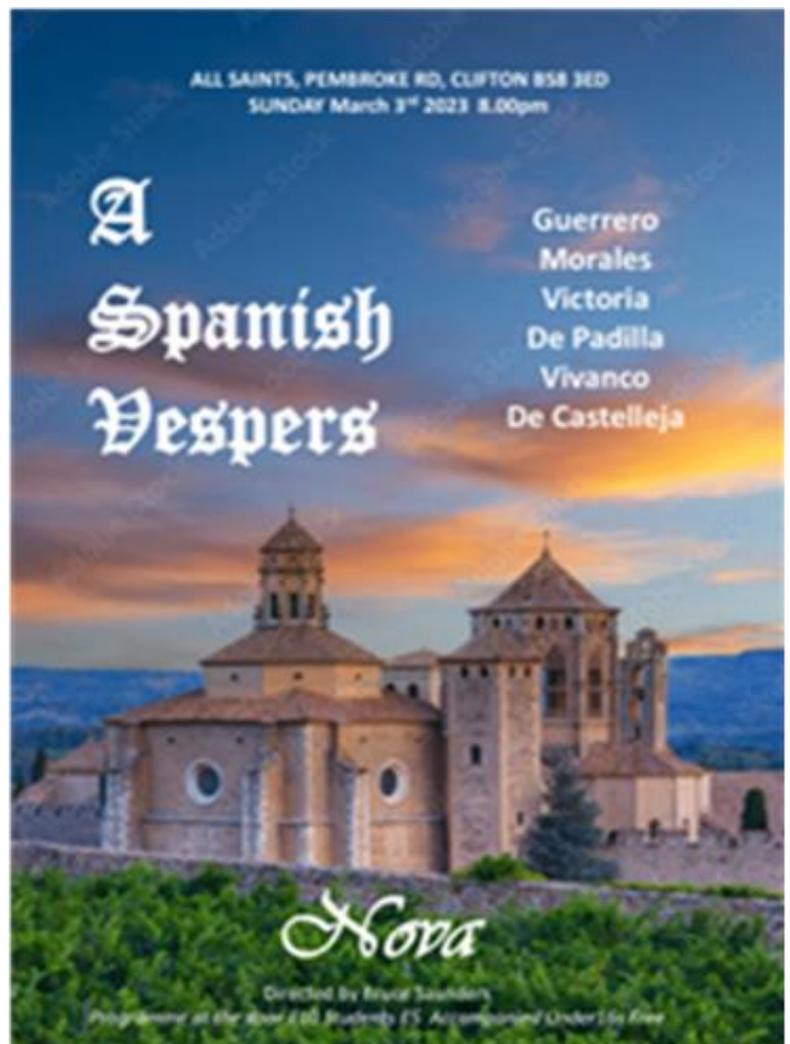
**Saturday
March 2nd
4pm**

Allan Schiller & John Humphreys

Piano Duets

Mozart Sonata in B flat
Schubert Fantasie in F Minor
Ireland 'Mi Dun'
Poulenc Sonata
Brahms Hungarian Dances

retiring collection tea & cakes



ALL SAINTS, PEMBROKE RD, CLIFTON BS8 3ED
SUNDAY March 3rd 2023 8.00pm

**A
Spanish
Vespers**

Guerrero
Morales
Victoria
De Padilla
Vivanco
De Castelleja

Nova

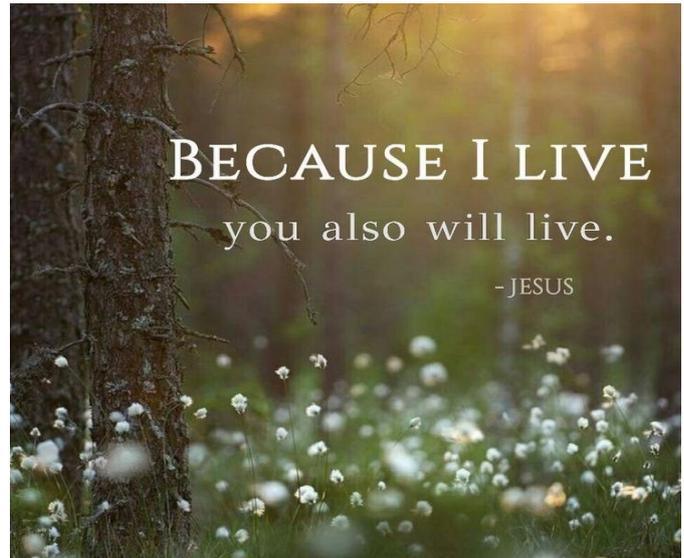
Directed by Bruce Sawhden
Programme at the Royal Ed. Purchase £5. Accompanied Under 16s Free

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 Elisabeth Morgan Sathia Aruliah Ryan Lindsey Steve Cooper Jenny Rogers Sister Rosina Nicholas Parker Leonie Benn

Monday

Tuesday.

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

Thursday

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

Saturday

The Departed

Joanne Wilkins Eileen Davies Len Hughes John Morley-Bunker (Pr)
Erna Sacof Betty Shaw Richard Sleaford Irene Cameron Sheila Cameron (Pr)
Colin Buchanan (Bp) Toby Leathwood Eric Dee Lloyd-Davis Nick Atkinson Mario Toffolo

Years' Minds - this week we remember

Christopher Savery

ALL SAINTS PRAYERS

Mon 26	Remember in prayer all those you love and who are important to you. Remember also the unloved – those for whom no one cares. Remember those who work as politicians who are sometimes the subject of hate, may they work for the good of society. Pray that they may be informed by the values of justice, mercy and peace, working for the common good.
Tue 27	George Herbert Priest & Poet 1633 Pray for all Self-Supporting Ministers who work within this Diocese and throughout the Church of England. Pray for all who suffer from any of the conditions associated with dementia. Pray for the carers of those who live with the condition, for the medical staff who provide comfort and support, for researchers who seek new ways to combat the condition. Remember those charities who address the challenge of this condition.
Wed 28	Mass 10.00am Pray for all Carers (of the sick, elderly, those in need). Give thanks for the support they give to loved ones, the benefit they provide to the economy; how they sustain the NHS, and work to benefit all of society. Pray for those carers who have no choice and for those who feel they are not valued or recognised, and that there is role not understood.
Thurs 29	Pray for sufferers of rare diseases. Diseases that impact on 1:2000, of which 80% are genetic and 50% in children. Usually with no cure. Pray for sufferers, parents, those who support them, and researchers.
Fri March 1	Mass 10.00am David, Bp of Menevia, Patron of Wales 601 Pray for those who work as teachers in primary, secondary and tertiary education. For all in support roles, researchers and educational administration. May they work to enable us to understand interconnectedness, interdependencies and the importance of wisdom. Pray for the people of Wales and the work of the Church in Wales
Sat 2	Give thanks for all of creation and our part in this, and our responsibility for this. Give thanks for the richness of the living world and pray for those who work for environmentally focused organizations and for increased awareness of the impacts of climate change
Sunday 3	Third Sunday of Lent Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace Early Worship 9.00am Parish Mass 10.30

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

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

If you have any Safeguarding concerns please contact :
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c2davbristol@hotmail.com