

ALL SAINTS NEWS

12th May 2024
7th Sunday of Easter

'Thy Kingdom Come'

During the 9 days between Ascension Day and Pentecost the Churches have dedicated the time of prayer (Novena) to Thy Kingdom Come. This is a global prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray for more people to come to faith. What started in 2016 as an invitation from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York to the Church of England has grown into an international and ecumenical call to prayer. The intention is that people:

- Deepen their relationship with God in the person of Jesus Christ
- Pray for God's spirit to work in the lives of those they know
- Come to realise that every aspect of their life is the stuff of prayer

After the very first Ascension Day the disciples gathered with Mary, constantly devoting themselves to prayer while they waited for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Like them, our reliance on the gift of the Holy Spirit is total – on our own we can do nothing.

Through the centuries Christians have gathered at that time to pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit. 'Thy Kingdom Come' picks up this tradition. Over the past three years more and more worshipping communities have dedicated the days between Ascension and Pentecost to pray 'Come Holy Spirit'.



This year, 2024, the author of the Novena is Bishop Anthony Poggio, General Secretary of the Anglican Communion, and he leans on his rich African heritage to shape the prayers of these nine days. This year the focus is on the early chapters of Revelation for the daily studies. The troubled world in which we live has much in common with the setting of the last book in the Bible. Violence, oppression, abuse of women and children were part and parcel of life in the Roman Empire as they are around the globe today.

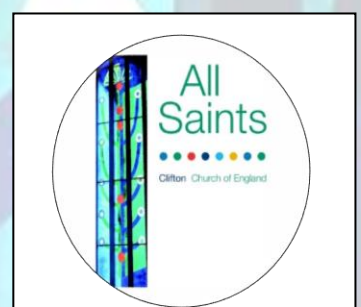
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We lift God's world to Him in our prayers and then focus that cry more personally as we each think of five people we know who are not yet following the Lord Jesus. We pray that they would come to enjoy the peace, love and eternal life that are found uniquely in Him.

Christians have often been distracted from fulfilling the Great Commission by focusing on things about which we disagree with one another. We hope that this year's Thy Kingdom Come will bind us together in the truth of the Good News of Jesus and the task of taking that news to the whole world. We hope you will join us as we pray 'Come Holy Spirit.'

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby
The Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell

'Rock and Stone'



Several pictures are exhibited within the Atrium.

They follow the theme of 'Rock and Stone'.

Three depict natural formations created over time due to erosion and the changing eons. Three capture locations in which people have placed stones in particular formations to recognise and respond to powers inexplicable and beyond human understanding.

'Ancient and Modern' attempts to capture these various thoughts in ancient stones, placed or built, at Stanton Drew -the 'Great Circle'.

Ascension to Pentecost – The Great Novena

The word novena means "nine" and is used to describe nine days of private or public devotion or focused and persistent prayer for a specific cause, usually as a form of petition or intercession but also as a prayer of thanksgiving for blessings received, devotion to a particular saint or feast day, as a period of mourning a loss, or anticipating a significant event.

The nine days of a novena come from the time that the Apostles and Mary waited in prayer between the **Ascension of Jesus** and the coming of the **Holy Spirit on Pentecost**.

During this Novena a Prayer Station will be maintained under the Balcony with a prayerful introduction.

THE BRISTOL EARLY MUSIC FESTIVAL first took place in 2019, and aims to provide opportunities for exploring music from Medieval to early Baroque and for contemporary audiences to hear it performed. The three-day 2024 festival features internationally-renowned performers, with the chance for local singers and players to participate in workshops led by experts in their field. Notable this year are events for people who sing by ear, or don't read music well, to explore songs from the Middle Ages, and the chance for pianists to meet and make friends with the harpsichord under expert tuition. *Young musicians are particularly welcome.*

exploring music from the medieval to the early baroque

10TH-12TH MAY

Bristol Early Music Festival

FRIDAY 10TH MAY

- Queen Of Hearts THE GESUALDO SIX 7.30^{PM}
- Byrd's Mercy 9.45^{PM}

SATURDAY 11TH MAY

- Exhibition of Early Instruments 10.00^{AM}-5.00^{PM}
- Come and Sing Medieval! 10.00^{AM}-12.30^{PM}
- The Waits 12.30-1.30^{PM}
- Workshop for Voices & Instruments 1.45-4.45^{PM}
- Songs From A Divine Pen 7.30^{PM}

SUNDAY 12TH MAY

- Choral Eucharist 10.30^{AM}
- Recorder Workshops
 - For less experienced players 1.30-3.00^{PM}
 - For experienced players 3.15-4.45^{PM}
- Meet The Harpsichord 1.30-4.00^{PM}
- Britain's Opheus 5.00-5.45^{PM}
- Early Music Cabaret 8.00^{PM}

All events take place at All Saints
For tickets and full booking information see:
www.bristolearlymusicfestival.uk

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The Bristol Early Music Festival begins this Friday, 10th of May, at 7.30pm with The Gesualdo Six - 'Queen Of Hearts'

Please see the Music Festival Leaflet or website for details of all the performances across the whole Festival.

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A Festival Pass gives admission to all events: £55 if bought in advance and £60 if bought at the Festival.

There is still time to join the Parish Retreat

There are still a few places left for this year's ASC Parish Retreat to Llangasty from 17th -19th May.



Llangasty Retreat House, Llangasty, Brecon, Wales!

The Retreat, in the heart of the Welsh countryside (yet only 1hr 20mins drive from Bristol) provides a unique opportunity to take stock, meditate, read, walk, pray or just rest, but above all, to live in the gift of the present moment and to gain a renewed sense of purpose and direction in life.

It's a very special event, not to be missed.

The whole weekend costs £210, is fully residential with comfortable rooms, shared toilet facilities and all meals provided.

If you would like to come along, then contact Liz Badman liz.badman@virginmedia.com; 07583 540825 or Helen Sutton helen@helensutton.com; 07802 256315

ASC Walks – everyone welcome

11th May

Down to the Harbour and up again

This walk is led by Mary Benton



All Saints' May Walk will leave the forecourt at 10:45 and head downhill and across the river to the Underfall Yard and then eastwards past the SS Great Britain, Wapping Wharf, the M-Shed and cranes, over Pero's Bridge and through Millennium Square to the Cathedral. There is then a choice of a bus back up the hill or a walk back up Park Street."

Dogs are most welcome.

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Parish Lunch



Join us in the Randall Room after Mass for
Trinity Sunday Parish Lunch
Sunday 26th May @ 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 5th May

Contact Janice: rjhopkins57@yahoo.co.uk

OR

All Saints Parish Office
0117 974 1355; www.allsaintsclifton.org



Coming soon – a date for your diary

Do not miss the next Parish Lunch which will be held on 26th May, Trinity Sunday, at 12.30pm. Tickets will be on sale from Sunday the 5th of May.

Always fun, always delicious and always good company !



St. Mary's Church, Fairford & Kelmscott Manor

Saturday 25th May 2024, 10.30am-5.30pm

From medieval stained glass to iconic artworks and objects of the Arts & Crafts movement, this day excursion into the beautiful Gloucestershire countryside will encompass it all!

The morning consists of a visit to the beautiful market town of Fairford, Gloucestershire, including a guided tour of St. Mary's Church, notable for its complete set of 28 medieval stained-glass windows. In the afternoon a short drive away is the beautiful 16th Century Grade I listed Kelmscott Manor, which was the country home of William Morris, Father of the Arts & Crafts Movement. It's recently been fully refurbished and is full of iconic of artworks and objects, all owned and designed by Morris himself. As well as a visit to the house, you'll have time to stroll through the beautiful gardens, and visit the shop and café.

This day trip is not to be missed, and includes travel by luxury minibus (pick-up and drop-off from All Saints Church), a guided tour of St. Mary's Fairford and entrance to Kelmscott Manor and Gardens.

Cost: £85 booked in advance via BACS or cheque

For more details, and to book your place, contact Helen Sutton:

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allsaintsarts All Saints Church Pembroke Rd Clifton

organ recitals

Wednesdays

in May

at 1.10pm

15th Nigel Nash
(Bristol)

22nd Jonathan Price
(Christ Church City)

29th William Forrest
(Bristol Cathedral)



Friends Together  **Alzheimer's Society**
 @ All Saints, Clifton

Bristol Dementia Action Alliance

A Friends Together Café & BDAA Activity Special for Dementia Action Week 13-19 May 2024



'Flowers & Cupcakes'

When: Thursday 16th May 2024
Time: 10am-12pm
Where: The Randall Room, All Saints Church, Clifton



Come and try your hand at making a simple dried flower arrangement then ice your own cake to enjoy with a cup of tea or coffee
All materials supplied!



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An extra Friends Together gathering in May !

A Friends Together Café Activity Special – 'Flowers and Cupcakes' will be held on Thursday 16th May at 10.00am

This is a joint event with Bristol Dementia Action Alliance in support of Alzheimer's Society 'Dementia Action Week', an annual event designed to raise people's awareness of dementia and encourage them to take action to improve the lives of all those living with the condition.

LUNCHTIME CONCERT

Tuesday 21st May, 1.00pm
All Saints Church, Pembroke Road

Featuring soloists from Year 10 and 12

Open to parents, staff and the public

For more information, contact Mrs Johnson,
mjohnson@cliftonhigh.co.uk

Clifton High School



Ascension Day Festival Mass

I am going to give the choir five stars for their superb contribution. Those of you who were unable to attend, missed a truly inspiring occasion. Many Thanks to John, Eric and all the choristers.

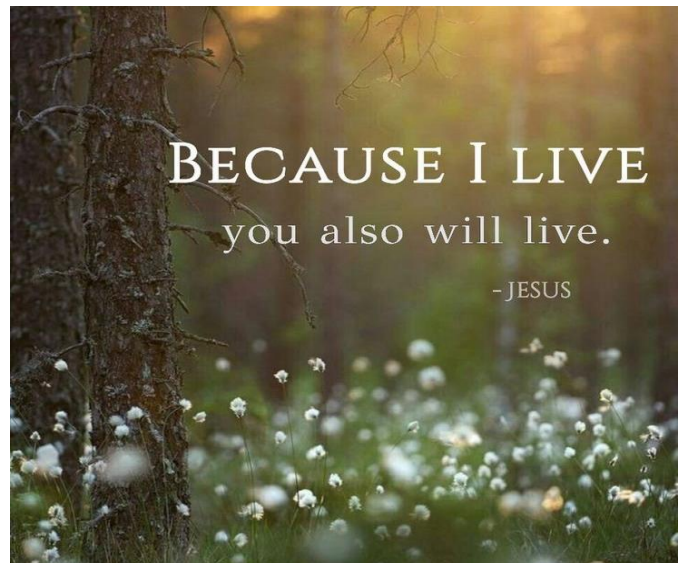
Vera Sanders

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 of the parish and our hearts whom we remember in our Prayers:

Sunday

Tabitha Clark, Ruth and Richard Harding, Katie Norman, Neal Gordon, Joyce Shepherd, Cynthia Ashford, Elisabeth Morgan, Sathia Aruliah, Sister Rosina, Jean Detheridge, Nicholas Parker, John Badman, Jack O'Sullivan and family, Susie King, Arthur Cleaver

Monday

Sue Hilliar, Hugh Farry

Tuesday.

Ryan Lindsey, George Lympelopoulos

Wednesday

Katrina and Katherine King, Philip Miles, Diana Verity, Samantha Tucker, Maureen Mumford

Thursday

Steve Cooper, Barbera Freeman

Friday

Charlotte Hopkins, Caroline Semon, Nicole Kaneza, Nadine Benn

Saturday

Jenny Rogers

The Departed

Toby Leathwood, Eric Lloyd-Davis, Nick Atkinson, Mario Toffolo, Mary Greenacre, Sholto MacTurk, Peter Firth (Bp), Margaret Denmead, Tony Collins, William Eltringham

Years' Minds - this week we remember:

John Hersee, Patrick Lury Pr, Dorothy Wookey, Tony Crabbe, Kathleen Verity, Gloria Harrison, George Ford, Derek Graham, Meg Grimes, Rachel Jardine

ALL SAINTS PRAYERS

Mon 13	Give thanks for the teeming life of the Oceans, their role in the cycles of our planet that enables all life. For those whose lives are connected to the sea – in shipping, fishing, ports and scientists.
Tue 14	St Matthias Pray for the University of the West of England (the St Matts Campus) UWE; the work of the Chaplains, and the students and all staff. Especially remembering the students we see working in our Church: from the Architecture and Education Departments.
Wed 15	Mass 10.00am Pray for all Pilgrims. Especially those who find meaning, clarity and peace at Walsingham, pray for the Walsingham Cells. Remember all those who worship through journeying and finding Holy places
Thurs 16	Caroline Chisholm 1877 Pray for those who dedicate themselves to Humanitarian issues (especially today those working with female immigrants in Australia and on Aboriginal issues). Pray for immigrant populations throughout our world and for those who are further disadvantaged by race.
Fri 17	Mass 10.00am Pray for all who live in this parish. <i>We praise thee for the day of light and life, for the night which brings rest and sleep, and for the ordered course of nature, seedtime and harvest, which thou hast given us. We bless thee that thou has given us the joy of children, the wisdom of old men. We thank thee for all holy and humble men of heart, for the love of God and man which shines forth in commonplace lives, and above all for the vision of thyself, in loneliness and in fellowship, in Sacrament and in prayer; for these and all other benefits we praise and glorify the name, now and for evermore.</i>
Sat 18	Give thanks for all who work to maintain our water supplies, to keep our oceans clean and free of pollutants and who bring water to those who thirst. Pray for those who are short of water (especially in the Southern Sahara), pray for those who are afflicted by floods.
Sunday 19	Pentecost Today the church across the world celebrates Pentecost. Pray that the coming of the Holy Spirit may be celebrated with a joy that changes lives, offering hope and comfort. God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort. Early Worship 9.00am Mass 10.30am

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 :
The Parish Safeguarding Officer - Caroline Davenport
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Janice Callow – office@allsaintsclifton.org mark for the attention of the Safeguarding Officer.