

ALL SAINTS NEWS

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**All Saints' 156th Anniversary
and
the 57th anniversary of the consecration and dedication of this church.**

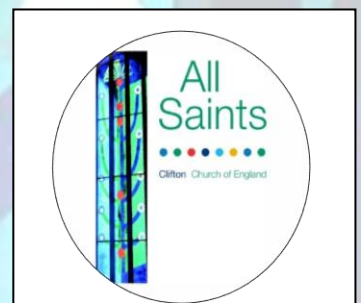
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That there is an All Saints', Clifton, must be placed to the credit of the Simeon Trustees. They created the need, and their disciples supplied the opposition necessary to the creation and discipline of a great spiritual work.

In 1860 there were already many Tractarians in Clifton--but all the Clifton churches were in the hands of the Simeon Trust. Able-bodied and enthusiastic people made long pilgrimages to S. John's, Bedminster, where Mr. Eland was vicar and to S. Raphael's where in 1859 the remarkable ministry of the Rev. A. H. Ward had already begun.

To the east of Clifton, High Churchmen had found a home at S. Mark's, Easton, but Mr. Woodford, afterwards the venerated Bishop of Ely, had by this time left Bristol and become Vicar of Kempsford.

Closer at hand, S. John's, Redland, of which Mr. Walsh, a High Churchman of the pre-Tractarian type, was vicar, was the only church in which Tractarians could worship without being attacked and offended. S. John's was crowded to the doors, and as it was hampered by the pew system, the growing poorer population, which lives on the Clifton fringe, could not get admittance to it.

Two laymen set themselves to remedy this scandalous state of things, Mr. Harrington Bush, Churchwarden of S. John's, Redland, and Mr. Thomas Todd Walton, Secretary of the branch of the National Association for Freedom of Worship.

They proposed, and Mr. Walsh magnanimously agreed, that a new district should be cut out of the Parish of S. John's and a large free and open church built on its edge where it touches the preserves of the Simeon Trustees.

It was already more or less understood that free and open churches and Tractarian principles went together and that the new church was to exhibit the new type of service. But the task its originators set their hand to was simply to build a noble church open to rich and poor alike.

On November 13, 1862, five gentlemen met at Mr. Todd Walton's house to discuss the scheme: Mr. Patrick, Captain Fenwick, the Rev. Nicholas Pocock, Mr. Todd Walton, and Mr. Harrington Bush.

On January 10, 1863, these gentlemen assembled a few sympathisers and formed a committee. By the middle of February they got out a statement of their proposal. They proposed to erect and endow a church in which there should be no pew rents and all the seats should be free and unappropriated.

This would serve the populous and growing Parish of Clifton, numbering nearly 22,000 inhabitants, and frequented throughout the year by a numerous and fluctuating body of visitors, for whom there was an admitted deficiency of church accommodation.

It seems peculiarly to stand in need of a church open and free to all worshippers in common, and as this is the only example yet proposed of a church of this description in Clifton, it should be built on a corresponding scale, and, as the Committee feel, should also possess a character and architectural merit not unworthy of the high objects to which it is dedicated, and the present advancement of Ecclesiastical Art.

Matters moved rapidly. On April 25th Mr. George Edmund Street was appointed architect of the new church. In July Mr. Street's plans were examined and approved by the committee and before the end of that month had received the sanction of the Bishop.

At this point some difficulties arose about the site, and it was not until May, 1864, that part of a field in the Pembroke Road was purchased from the Society of the Merchant Venturers. It was now decided that the church should be dedicated to All Saints and not to the Blessed Virgin as had at first been proposed.

In August the excavations of the foundation began and in the same month the incumbency of the future parish was offered to the Rev. H. W. Sargent, Fellow of Merton and Incumbent of S. John Baptist, Oxford.

Mr. Beresford Hope laid the foundation stone on November 3rd. After some discussion it was arranged that the patronage should be invested in five trustees for the space of twenty-one years, and that after that period it should lapse to the Bishop.

The building was delayed by a great difficulty; the site proved to be thickly covered by a deposit of red clay, and great concrete foundations had to be laid. It was decided to build the chancel and a temporary brick nave inside the partly raised walls of the permanent nave.

When, at the beginning of 1867, this first portion of the work was drawing near completion, the promoters found themselves without an incumbent. Mr. Sargent was obliged from increasing ill health to relinquish the hope of coming to them.

Among other names, that of Mr. Randall was brought before the committee and it was suggested that he should visit Clifton and examine the situation on the spot.

After much deliberation and consultation with colleagues and family Richard Randall received a letter from Mr. Woodford, Vicar of Kempsford.

MY DEAR RANDALL,

I have been urging the Patrons of 'All Saints', Clifton, that is to be' to ask you to undertake it. If they do so, don't refuse. It is a most important post and I do honestly believe from an intimate knowledge of Clifton and Bristol that you are just the man for it.

What is wanted is a man who will have perfect services with a ritualism I should think such as that at present in use at All Saints', Margaret Street; perhaps the Clifton mind would not admit of *lighted* tapers at the Celebration.

Then good, vigorous, warm preaching would carry the place by storm. They would look for daily services and at least weekly celebrations.

Further, the Incumbent of All Saints' should be and would be the leader and rallying point of Churchmanship in the neighbourhood. He should live not ascetically--entertain leading Churchmen (laity) with a simple but dignified hospitality and he would have the whole place with him.

Now I do really believe that you are 'the man' with just the gifts and the means to fill the post, so please do not refuse if they apply to you, which I trust they will do.

Towards the end of September the Trustees of the future All Saints'--Mr. Walsh, Mr. Todd Walton, Mr. Harrington Bush, and Mr. Charles Ward--offered the post to Mr. Randall.

Mr. Randall accepted the post in October and went into retreat to prepare himself for his future work.

Extracts from **Project Canterbury**



All Saints Dedication Sunday Parish Picnic

Clifton Church of England







Join us after Mass for our
**Dedication Sunday
 Parish Picnic**
Sunday 7th July @ 12.30pm

In the garden, if weather fine or in the atrium if not, so bring chairs/rugs etc. for use in the garden

Pay Bar – cash only





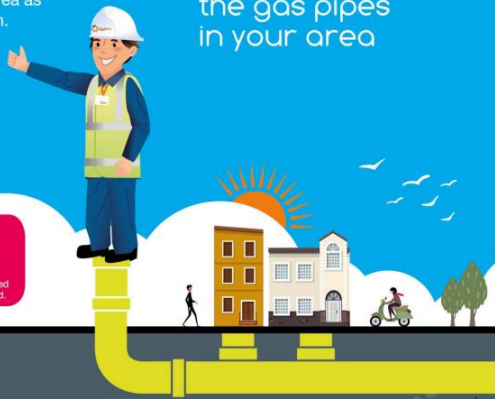
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Thank you...

...for your patience and understanding. We're doing our best to upgrade gas pipes in your area as smoothly as we can.

For a clearer picture of what we've got planned, you can watch the video on our website.



It's time to **upgrade** the gas pipes in your area

Smell gas?
 Call free on 0800 111 999*
*all calls will be recorded and may be monitored.

On Tuesday 9th July, we will be at All Saints between 12:30pm and 6:30pm

What are we doing? We're upgrading gas pipes around the St Johns Road & Lansdown Road area of Clifton, Bristol to make sure we keep the gas flowing to heat homes and power businesses in the area, so you and your family are safe and warm for generations to come.

We're investing £600,000 to replace current metal pipes with long lasting plastic pipes, fit for a sustainable future. Our work will start on 15 July on Whatley Road and barring any engineering difficulties, we expect to be finished by April 2025.

We know our work can be disruptive, so we have worked closely with Bristol City Council to keep disruption to a minimum. To keep the local community, road users and our colleagues safe, traffic management will be in place while we work. To minimise disruption, our works will be carried out in phases.

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GEESE ARE LOOSE
IN CENTRAL
BRISTOL!
CAN YOU
FIND THEM?!

The Wild Goose Chase

SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITY

FAMILY-FRIENDLY TRAIL IN JULY & AUGUST

Raise money for the Wild Goose -
a day centre in Bristol, where people
struggling with homelessness can get
hot food, clothes, showers and more.



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For those who need us most

The Wild Goose Chase!

The aim is to raise funds for the Wild Goose (our day centre for people sleeping rough), as well as helping families to engage with the issue of homelessness in Bristol and our work

The Wild Goose Chase is a family-friendly trail around the centre of Bristol to find 15 knitted Wild Geese hidden in public buildings, cafes and shop windows around the city centre. Each Wild Goose will be accompanied by a poster explaining about homelessness and the work of the Wild Goose, our day centre on Stapleton Road for people experiencing homelessness. As well as being a fun family activity, it will also help participants to understand the challenges of homelessness in Bristol.

Trails are just £3 to buy, so for the cost of delivering a meal to someone at the Wild Goose, families can take part in a fun, family activity throughout the summer holiday.

South West Baroque Orchestra

Directors Michael Williamson & Jacqui Robertson-Wade

**Tea with Telemann,
Albinoni & Handel**

*Telemann Concerto for 2 Violins & Bassoon,
Telemann Concerto for Viola da Gamba*

All Saints' Church, Clifton, Bristol

Saturday 13th July 2024 4pm

Admission Free - Tea & Cake available

Retiring Collection in support of Ukraine

The Period Instrument Orchestra of the South West

Southwestbaroqueorchestra.com

Michaelwilliamson.swbaroque@gmail.com 07514 284311

**ASC Walks everyone, and their dog, welcome
Saturday July 13th**



July's walk will take us over the Downs, through Sneyd Park, Bishop's Knoll Gardens (how far depends on the agility of people and dog), old Sneed Park and Sea Mills, then back on the train.

Lead by Mary Benton.

Meet outside All Saints' Church to leave promptly at 10.45 am.

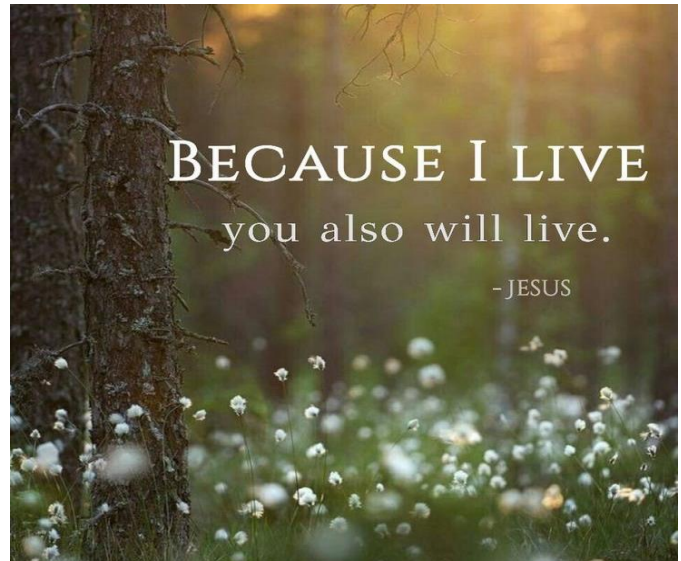
Any questions ask: georginaharford@hotmail.com 07767746168

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 Pam Parker

Wednesday

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

Thursday

Steve Cooper Barbera Freeman Remi Clarke

Friday

Charlotte Hopkins, Caroline Semon, Nicole Kaneza Nadine Benn

Saturday

Jenny Rogers

The Departed

Margaret Denmead Tony Collins William Keith Eltringham Myra York Sunny Gilheaney Raymond Clarke David Reed

Years' Minds - this week we remember:

Rodney King Edith Metford George Fowler Albert Leach Joyce King

