

ALL SAINTS NEWS

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St Bartholemew - A Reflection

Festival 24th August



In the New Testament, Bartholomew is mentioned only in the lists of the apostles. Some scholars identify him with Nathanael, a man of Cana in Galilee who was summoned to Jesus by Philip. Jesus paid him a great compliment: "Here is a true Israelite. There is no duplicity in him" (John 1:47b). When Nathanael asked how Jesus knew him, Jesus said, "I saw you under the fig tree" (John 1:48b). Whatever amazing revelation this involved, it brought Nathanael to exclaim, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the King of Israel" (John 1:49b). But Jesus countered with, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than this" (John 1:50b).

Nathanael did see greater things. He was one of those to whom Jesus appeared on the shore of the Sea of Tiberias after his resurrection (see John 21:1-14). They had been fishing all night without success. In the morning, they saw someone standing on the shore though no one knew it was Jesus. He told them to cast their net again, and they made so great a catch that they could not haul the net in. Then John cried out to Peter, "It is the Lord."

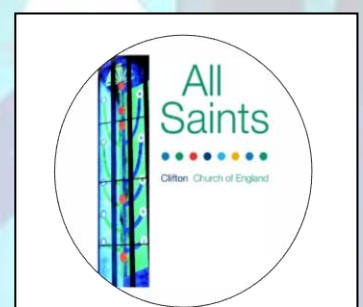
When they brought the boat to shore, they found a fire burning, with some fish laid on it and some bread. Jesus asked them to bring some of the fish they had caught, and invited them to come and eat their meal. John relates that although they knew it was Jesus, none of the apostles presumed to inquire who he was. This, John notes, was the third time Jesus appeared to the apostles.

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Reflection

Bartholomew or Nathanael? We are confronted again with the fact that we know almost nothing about most of the apostles. Yet the unknown ones were also foundation stones, the 12 pillars of the new Israel whose 12 tribes now encompass the whole earth. Their personalities were secondary—without thereby being demeaned—to their great office of bearing tradition from their firsthand experience, speaking in the name of Jesus, putting the Word Made Flesh into human words for the enlightenment of the world. Their holiness was not an introverted contemplation of their status before God. It was a gift that they had to share with others. The Good News was that all are called to the holiness of being Christ's members, by the gracious gift of God.

The simple fact is that humanity is totally meaningless unless God is its total concern. Then humanity, made holy with God's own holiness, becomes the most precious creation of God.

Clifton Down Growing Space Action Day Success!



This project has come about with the aim to transform the under utilised space at the end of Alma Vale Road into a thriving site for growing food. With a growing interest in food cultivation and a significant demand for allotments in Bristol, this project presents an opportunity to provide individuals with smaller plots to learn and develop their gardening skills while engaging with the community.

The project will include 46 new raised bed planters with small plots comprising of 1-4 planters each (5.5m x 1m x 60cm) for individuals to cultivate their own produce.

Thank you so much to everyone who came along to make our Action Day (17 August) a success. Our first planters were built, lined, and filled with soil with our first seedlings planted. We can't wait to see this space grow.

Join us on the 7th of September for our Crowdfunding Launch Day!

Who are the Clifton Down Community Association ?



The Clifton Down Community Association have worked endlessly on local projects such as building and maintaining the flowering planters on the Clifton Down Railway Station, renovating and maintaining the circular planter at the end of Alma Road and hosting multiple foraging and nature walks with Steve England as well as the more usual activities of a community association.



The Tenebrae Choir are coming to Bristol Cathedral next month to perform one of our favourite programmes, a Hymn of Heavenly Beauty.

It includes choral gems such as Allegri's *Miserere Mei, Deus*, and Hold's incredible *Nunc Dimittis*.

Our director, Nigel Short, will be giving a workshop on 14th September from 2pm, and I thought the choir and congregation of All Saints Clifton might be interested.

Anyone who attends the workshop will get 10% off concert tickets, and we are also offering £10 student tickets. You can find more details about the workshop at www.tenebrae-choir.com



Friends Together

@ All Saints, Clifton

Items for Friends Together Reminiscence Boxes

One of the exciting activities at Friends Together is Reminiscence work, recalling past experiences, events or memories.

Reminiscence activities improve self-esteem and provide people with a sense of fulfilment and comfort as they look back at their lives. Although reminiscing involves recalling past events, it also encourages communication and interaction with a listener in the present.

We are collecting items to make up some more boxes to give volunteers and families attending Friends Together wider opportunities to be involved in reminiscence activities.

The items need to be small enough to fit into a shoe box, from a time period that is relevant to the people who attend friends together, 1930 to 1970 and robust enough to be handled.

We are currently looking for items to fill the Car ownership and maintenance box, the Music box and the Gardening box .

These items might include ;

- Manuals /leaflets
- Old keys
- AA/RAC membership cards
- Garage bills
- Seed catalogues
- Photographs of people working in their garden
- Pictures of tools
- Small tools - does anyone have a dibber ?
- Sheet music of old songs
- Programmes from visits to concerts

And anything else that you can think of !

Donations to Helen, please or to the Parish office

Our next walk will be

Saturday 14th September 2024 – Ashton Court

Led by Georgina Harford

Georgina will take us on a walk through Ashton Court, looking at
Repton's work, and the Family Trees.



*We'll set off promptly at 10:45 from outside All Saints Church,
Pembroke Rd, Clifton, Bristol BS8 3ED, returning c. 13:00*

Any questions, contact: georginaharford@hotmail.com 07767 746168



All
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Clifton Church of England



Thursday evenings
At 8.00pm



Our popular Thursday evenings at

The Alma Tavern ARE BACK!!

Join us at the 'All Saints table' for a
drink and a chat



Every Thursday from 8pm



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

The Alma Tavern & Theatre
18-20 Alma Vale Road, Clifton, BS8 2HY
0117 973 5171
www.almatavernandtheatre.co.uk

All Saints Church Pembroke Rd Clifton Bristol

concert matinée

Saturday

Sept 7th

4pm

Richard Leigh-Harris

piano

Fanny Mendelssohn Robert Schumann Clara Schumann Johannes Brahms Felix Mendelssohn



tea and cake

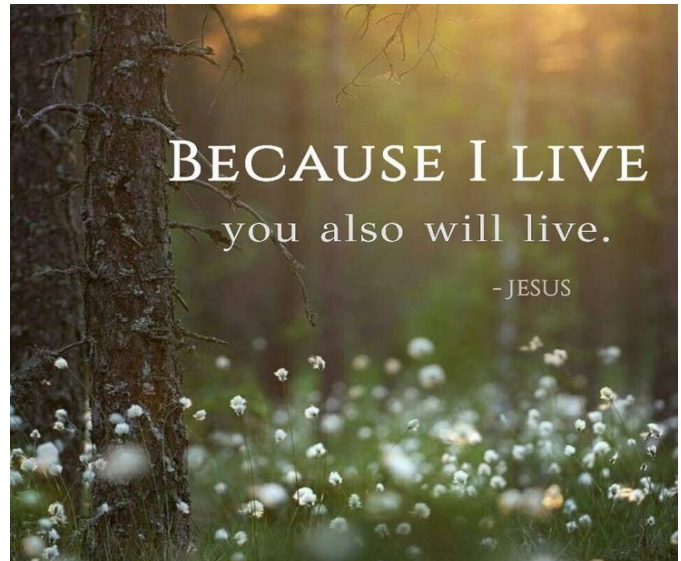
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Prayers Requests

'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 Jack O'Sullivan and family Susie King Arthur Cleaver Sebastian Kloss Maria Gingell

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 John Badman

Saturday

The Departed

Myra York Raymond Clarke David Reed

Years' Minds - this week we remember:

David Machin Helen Reynolds Stanojko Milenković (pronounced: Stan~~o~~iko Milenkovich)
Gill Cottell Kathleen Raikes Jean Monro Harold Hanford John Brennand

ALL SAINTS PRAYERS

Mon 26	Pray for those who continue to work for the equal treatment of women and for women's rights. Remembering in particular those parts of the world where women are subject to suppression, violence and discrimination. Recognising that no part of the world is completely free from discrimination and stereotyping.
Tue 27	Some talk of the North-South divide in the UK, King Oswald of Northumbria reigned over a huge kingdom that encompassed much of Southern Scotland and all of the North of England. Pray for economic and political equity and for the avoidance of arguments of difference to score political points.
Wed 28	Mass 10.00am Augustine of Hippo, 387 "How can the past and future be, when the past no longer is, and the future is not yet? As for the present, if it were always present and never moved on to become the past, it would not be time, but eternity." Augustine 'Confessions'
Thurs 29	Beheading of John the Baptist John the Baptist said: "One comes after me who is greater than I; and I must decrease, and He will increase." Help us to understand how we decrease so that the Kingdom might increase.
Fri 30	Mass 10.00am John Bunyan, Spiritual Writer, 1688 John Bunyan served two terms of imprisonment (both for refusing to attend his parish church for divine service). Pray for all prisoners and prison warders and staff, and for the good running of a just, humane and effective penal system
Sat 31	Aidan, Bishop of Lindisfarne, Missionary, 651 Lindisfarne has become a significant place of Christian retreat. Pray for all retreat centres and for those who provide conducted retreats. Also pray for those who attend conducted or private retreats.
Sunday September 1	14th Trinity Pr 17 Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth. 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
c2davbristol@hotmail.com
Janice Callow – office@allsaintsclifton.org mark for the attention of the Safeguarding Officer.