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'An extremely exciting project'

All Saints has some good news to report on the atrium project.

To recap from earlier issues of the ASC News, it will be recalled that permission is needed in two (slightly overlapping) jurisdictions. The local authority had previously granted planning permission and we have now heard that, subject to ironing out some details, the Diocesan Advisory Committee has recommended approval. The DAC consists of a number of architects, construction professionals and others whose job is to consider fabric applications and offer recommendations to the Chancellor of the diocese who makes the final decision.

It is to be expected that the remaining details will be resolved and the Chancellor will grant us the necessary faculty. We shall then proceed with the necessary tendering process, negotiate with our preferred contractor and enter into a contract that will define the agreed contract price, the contract period and compensation for delay etc.

The recommendation of the DAC came as no surprise for in earlier correspondence it had referred to our proposals as 'an extremely exciting project.' In essence it will achieve a number of objectives:

- Sustainability (a contribution to the diocesan Net Zero objectives: solar panels, air source heat pumps, insulation, double gazing; re-using the existing atrium slabs as a foundation for the levelling of the courtyard etc);
- Compliance with the recommendations of a fire consultant whom we engaged to review our current arrangements and policies and with the requirements of our last Quinquennial Report (the professional review we are required to produce every five years to the diocese of our fabric and of necessary/essential repairs and renewals);

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The need to make the atrium a warm and welcoming space for the church community and its visitors.

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The last of these considerations accounts for a relatively small proportion of the overall financial outlay involved but, as well as improving the scope of our art exhibitions, the enlarged circulation space in the atrium will help avoid the congestion that arises after church events whilst new acoustics material in the ceiling should of itself make hearing a lot easier. The doubling of the number of our toilets (including a new accessible WC) near the existing facilities is a major, much overdue improvement.

Importantly, the project does not involve any work to the church itself: the regular cycle of services will continue as before and the scheme does not impact on the liturgical significance of the atrium – the Stations of the Cross, The Walsingham Shrine and the stained glass in the west cloister will remain and the atrium will retain its important processional function as before.

Credit for getting to this stage is due to our excellent conservation architect Marcus Chantrey and the team of heating consultants, Quantity Surveyors, structural, mechanical and electrical engineers he has drawn upon.

Details of the project are given in the architects' drawings in the atrium. It is anticipated that the work will start and be completed next year.

Two recent additions to the Atrium

The ninth Station of the Cross had been missing its number for some time but thanks to Richard Lambert we have a new one. Richard took great pains to ensure that the carpenter made an exact replacement.

See what you think!







Richard Ashby, for many years a key figure in the life of our church, at one time head server and (later on) assistant organist, left All Saints a generous legacy "for the enhancement of the liturgy and music", and also a wonderful picture of the church, currently displayed by the office door.

The Merry Wives of Windsor



Magnus Gordon is touring with Illyria repertory company performing The Merry Wives of Windsor. They will be coming to Yeo Valley Organic Garden on Tuesday, August 19th and we thought it might be fun for a group from All Saints to attend. Vicky has more information and tickets and could talk to anyone after Mass on Sunday or can be contacted via victoriagordon@btinternet.com

The performance starts at 7pm (doors open at 6pm) and it is suggested that we take a chair or picnic rug and a picnic! The performance will go ahead whatever the weather! More info can be found on the Valley Arts website or google Illyria. Hopefully we can combine lifts.





The Vacancy in See Committee is a standing committee of Diocesan Synod, but only becomes active when the retirement of a diocesan bishop is announced.

The committee is made up of 27 people, including the Diocese's General Synod representatives, the Chairs of the House of Clergy and House of Laity, the Bishop of Swindon, Archdeacons and elected lay and clergy representatives from across the Diocese.

Once the committee is convened, it has two tasks – to write a Statement of Needs for the Diocese (a document similar to a parish profile) and to elect six of its members to sit on the Crown Nominations Commission (CNC) alongside six representatives from the National Church.

The Statement of Needs is drafted following considerable consultation across the Diocese, with which we hope as many people as possible will engage.

Your chance to influence the choice of the next Bishop of Bristol

As Bishop Viv retires at the end of August, the Diocese has opened a consultation about the next Bishop of Bristol, to assist the Vacancy in See Committee in drafting the statement of needs that will inform the selection of the new Bishop.

Everyone in the Diocese is encouraged to complete a brief survey on the diocesan website. There are questions on the strengths, opportunities and challenges for the church, and on the gifts, skills and qualities you think the new bishop should have. You can also suggest names of candidates you think should be considered.

The questionnaire may be found at www.tinyurl.com/bishopofbristol. It is open until 23:59 on Monday 21 July 2025. Please do complete the survey, so that our views are well represented



Parish Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham

6th - 10th October 2025

There are just two places left for the Parish pilgrimage to Walsingham, 6th-10th Oct which will be led by Mthr Nicola The cost will be £400 per person, for dinner, bed and breakfast (not including lunches). Double and single rooms available, costs are the same. Transport costs are additional (see below).

If you wish to go, please sign up on the list which is in the porch, by July 25th.

Walsingham require payment at least 60 days before the pilgrimage dates and for this reason we will have to ask you to make the payment by 1st August. Full information about payment will be given in due course to those who wish to come.

With regard to transport there will be a meeting for those who are coming which will include discussion about how we will get there. There may be some who are prepared to drive, and give lifts (on a shared cost basis) or people may wish to go independently, and it is reasonably easy to do this on public transport.

If you would like to discuss further do have a word with Mthr Nicola

Alma Tavern – Thursday All Saints Table



The weekly table at the Alma Tavern has now closed for the summer.

The All Saints Table will reopen on September 11th as a monthly meeting opportunity on the 2nd Thursday in the month



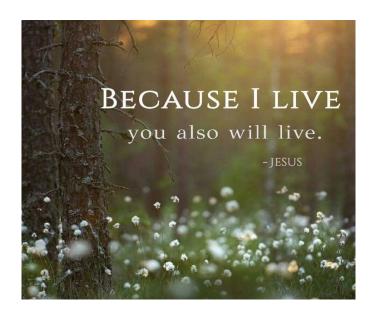


Prayers Requests

'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 Sathia Aruliah the O'Sullivan family Susie King Arthur Cleaver Vy and Angel Wray Nicky Epinay Oussama and Claire Sader Sarah Jean Bradford Adam Chivers Lucille Osafa Andrew French Swarna Simpson Fr John Scott (Pr) Professor David Fenton Jessica Smith

Monday

Sue Hilliar Hugh Farry

Tuesday.

Ryan Lindsey George Lymperopoulos Pam Parker

Wednesday

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

Thursday

Steve Cooper Barbera Freeman Remie Clarke

Friday

Charlotte Hopkins, Caroline Semon, Nicole Kaneza Nadine Benn

Saturday

The Departed

Jean Detheridge Olivia Griffiths Ann Wardrop John Badman Charles Easmon Elisabeth Morgan Pope Francis Silvio Pegado Jo Greenbury Anthea Anthony (Pr) Rosalind Hinton Alisa Temple

Years' Minds - this week we remember:

Margaret Edwards Patrick Dillon Charles McLean Madge Arnold Elaine Sanders Fr Ken Semon Trevor White (Pr) Yvonne Paradeau

ALL SAINTS PRAYERS

Mon 28	Be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you.
Tue	Mary, Martha and Lazarus, Companions of our Lord
29	Give thanks for friendship. Pray for our friends
Wed	Mass 10.00am William Wilberforce and anti-slavery campaigners
30	About one million people enter the slave trade as victims each year – now! We pray for all those who are victims, those who are the 'traders' that they may turn from their work, and those who work to eradicate this market
Thurs 31	Ignatius of Loyola, Founder of the Society of Jesus, 1556 Today we remember Ignatius of Loyola, Jesuit founder, gifted spiritual director, and writer of the Spiritual exercises. Pray for all those who accompany others on their spiritual journey offering companionship, prayer and direction.
Fri	Mass 10.00am
August 1	Give thanks for the transformational gift of the World Wide Web. Recognise those whose lives have been transformed by the ability to have access to information, knowledge and learning; those who manage to maintain and grow connections between friends, families, learning networks; those who provide reasoned and real-time insights into world events. Pray for all who work in the digital world. Pray for those who become victims of this gift through its 'wrong use' – abuse, bullying and fraud.
Sat 2	Pray for those who suffer from lung cancer (this is world lung cancer day) and for their friends and families. Pray for those who research this disease, for medical practitioners who work with sufferers and their families and for all who suffer from respiratory conditions.
Sunday 3	Trinity 7 Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same. Early Worship 9.00am Parish 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 Officers - Caroline Davenport_& Janice Callow at office@allsaintsclifton.org marked for the attention of the Safeguarding Officer.