

ALL SAINTS NEWS

18th January 2026
2nd Sunday of Epiphany

Atrium Project Update

Where are we now?

A great deal has been happening over the last few weeks. This is a very good news story!

As a reminder, we are now at the point where we have:

- ★ Planning Permission (from Bristol City Council)
- ★ The Faculty from the Diocese to commence the work
- ★ Completed both Statutory and Public Consultations (with no objections or questions)
- ★ Invited and received tenders from potential contractors for a 'Fixed Price Contract'

And, as of this week, the PCC has requested a grant to fund the work from the All Saints Endowment Trust. This has been approved and confirmed by the Trustees! This means with the allocation of the £400k from the PCC, the £1.3m grant provided by the Endowment Trust and a grant provided by the Benefact Trust, we are able to fully fund this project.

Why are we doing this?

We will be finishing work started in 1967 with the creation of a multi-purpose Atrium, and we will benefit in ensuring this is fit for the 21st century. These benefits include:

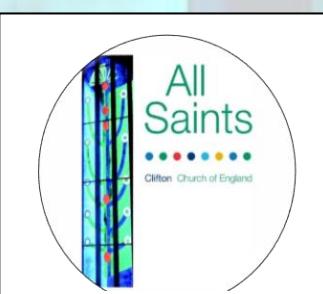
- ★ Meeting our Carbon Net Zero requirements with the installation of a solar array and air-source heat pumps on the Atrium Roof.
- ★ Reducing the 40% energy loss (heat) from Church into the Atrium through effective insulation, double glazing and under-floor heating.
- ★ Providing additional toilets, including an ambulatory toilet to achieve our accessibility obligations.
- ★ Delivering against recommendations in our Quinquennial and Fire Risk Assessment reports (these are legal obligations).
- ★ Providing a warm and welcoming environment for worshippers and visitors with an increased circulation area for festivals, weddings, funerals and other events.

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- ★ Developing existing relationships with the local and more distant community; to further encourage the use of the Church, Randall Room and other facilities to support future income and financial viability.

What happens next?

The next phase of the Atrium work will take us into the construction period. However, first we **need to:**

- The Architect, Quantity Surveyor and others will recommend to the PCC which of the tendered fixed price contracts are most appropriate
- The PCC will discuss the recommendation, agree which tender to accept and enter into contract with the selected provider

When this is achieved, we will, hopefully, commence work in March 2026 with a target of concluding in October or November 2026. The PCC will form a Project Group as a subcommittee (reporting to the PCC and keeping the Endowment Trust informed) who will meet to ensure the smooth functioning of All Saints over the construction period.

The All Saints' Church Clifton Endowments Trust

The Incumbent, Churchwardens and PCC are indebted to and thank the Endowment Trustees for their continuing support of the life and work of All Saints.

We recognise that this is a very significant project and comes at considerable cost, however the importance of the project's benefits to the worshipping community, the mission, work and witness of All Saints, the life of the local and wider community are such that this will be a huge step forward.

Additionally, recognising that All Saints' Church was erected in 1967, it is noted that certain parts of the fabric have deteriorated and become outdated. This project will address much of this.

Thank you for the continuing support of life at ASC!

Continuing Support?

Over the last ten years the Endowment Trust has supported the work and mission of the church in many ways:

- ★ Provision of the ASC Forecourt (and standing area in front of the Richard Chapel)
- ★ Conservation of Richard Chapel exterior stonework
- ★ Refurbishment and restoration of the Walker Organ (the 'Sound of Clifton')
- ★ Modernisation of Church and Richard Chapel Lighting
- ★ Provision and installation of Director of Music plaques
- ★ Match funding the ASC Missional and Seasonal charity giving
- ★ Care and maintenance of Vicarage, gardens, trees and lawns

Lent Charity

Ash Wednesday this year is on 18 February. It is our custom during Lent to identify two charities to support. Traditionally these two charities are one that is reasonably locally based and the other of a more international nature or theme.

If you have any suggestions as to which (two) charities the PCC should choose to adopt this year please email the ideas to Fr Charles, Wendy in the office or one of the Wardens.

Stewardship Campaign

During this year we will engage in a Stewardship Campaign. We recognise that giving is part of our Christian faith, as:

- giving is a response to the giving of a generous God
- giving enables mission and ministry
- giving helps people to feel that they, and their gifts, are valued by the church

Giving is therefore first and foremost not a matter of practicality, but part of our everyday faith and discipleship – our journey of following Christ. We will form a Stewardship Team who will work with us to consider our giving of:

- Time
- Treasure
- Talents

to the benefit of the life and mission of All Saints.

Three Christmas 'Thankyous'

There are many 'thankyous' that relate to Christmas, however, three are:

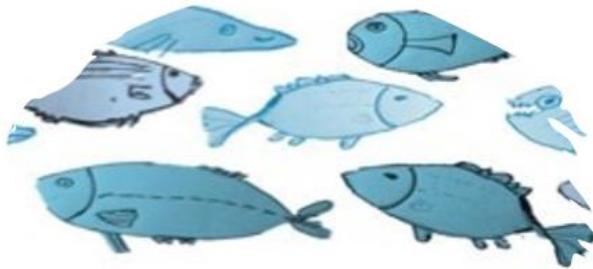
- ★ Thank you, for all those who made the liturgy, music and worship over Christmas meaningful and special.
- ★ Thank you, Churchwardens and Endowment Trust, for the Christmas gifts to all those who hold visible (and less-visible) roles at ASC and make such significant contribution to our worship, ministry and mission.
- ★ Thank you, Flower Team for the much praised (by regulars and visitors) Christmas decorations, tree and flower arrangements.



Early Worship Every Sunday at 9.00am

Take a moment

- 30 minutes, even when there is Communion (1st and 3rd week)
- Structured but informal
- Live music, 4 minute reflection
- Suitable for families, and anyone who likes a shorter, simpler service
- Friendly, community feel
- *A moment of reflection to start the week*



This elegant chest is surplus to requirements and free to a good home. The remaining handles are available from the office.
If you would like the chest, please speak to one of the churchwardens or let the office know.
Removal will be the responsibility of the new owner !



All Saints
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Exploring Christianity

What do we mean when we say we are Christians?

- If this is a question which interests you, there are 4 opportunities over this winter designed to explore the answers.
- Ideal for those who have recently started their journey, as well as those further along the way.

Topics: Jesus Christ. Use and misuse of the Bible. Christian Worship. Christian Living

Dates: 2nd Nov, 7th Dec, 4th Jan, 1st Feb. **Time:** 12.30-1.30. **Place:** Sacristy. Sandwich lunch provided. No need to book, all are welcome.

The purpose of these sessions is to explore what we mean when we talk about being Christian. It will be ideal for those commencing their journey of understanding as well as those already established on the path.

CS Lewis wrote: *'Christianity, if false, is of no importance, and, if true, of infinite importance. The one thing it cannot be is moderately important.'*

Sessions are held on Sundays, starting at 12.30 and finishing at 1.30pm. Meeting in the Sacristy with lunch provided.

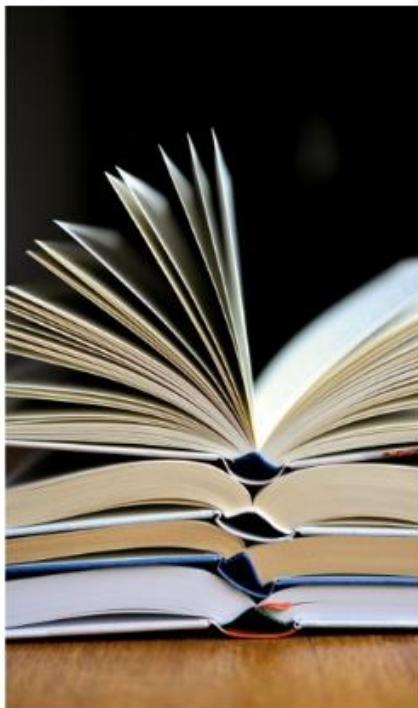
The next meeting is on Sunday 1st of February .



The 57th Brownies based at All Saints are urgently looking for new members to join their pack as girls move on to Guides or other activities.

If you have a girl in your family aged between 7 and 10 who is interested in non stop fun, learning and adventure please contact the Brownies Leader at 57thbristolbrownies@live.co.uk

The Brownies meet in the Randall Room at 5.30 pm each Friday in term time .



All Saints Book Group

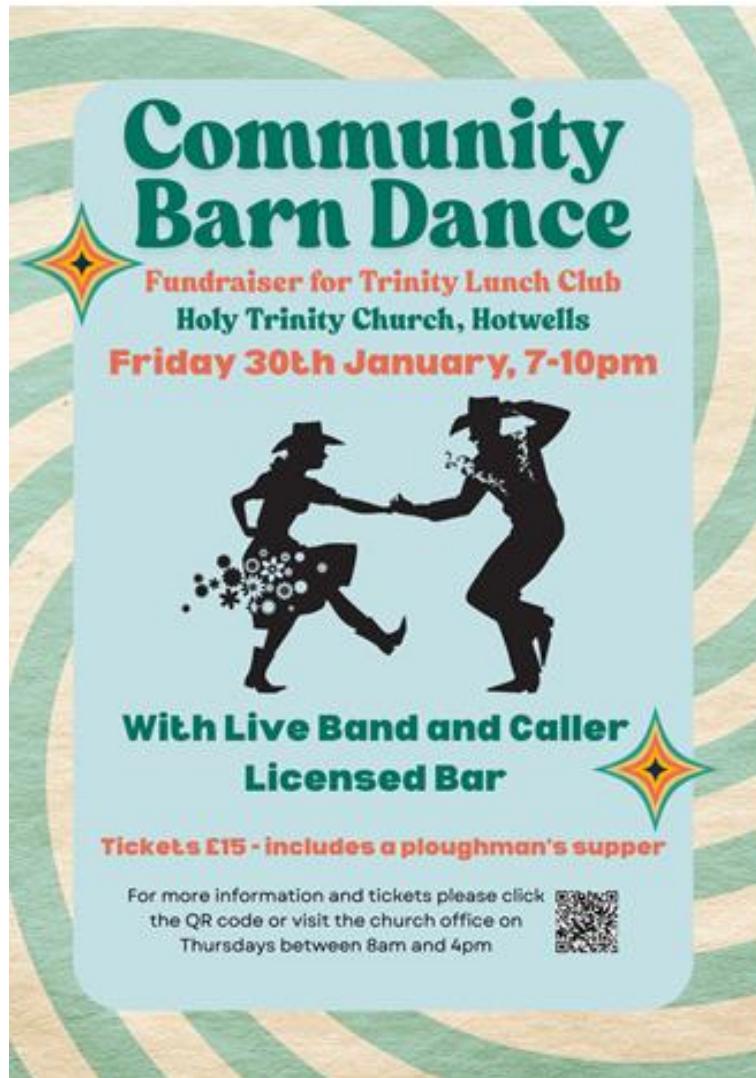
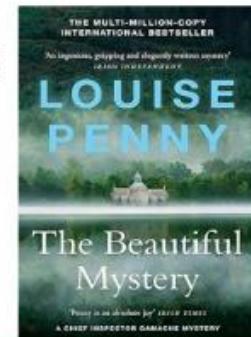
Wed 21st January 2026, 7-9 pm
in the Sacristy

Join us for our bi-monthly book group in the Sacristy of All Saints.

Every other month, a new book – bringing readers together for lively discussions and great company!

The book for our January 2026 meeting will be:

The Beautiful Mystery
By Louise Penny

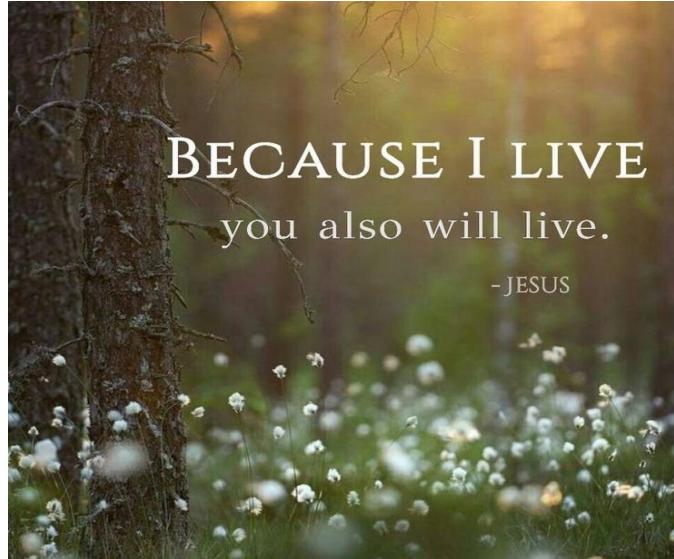


Prayers Requests

'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 Nicky Epinay Sarah Jean Bradford Andrew French Swarna Simpson Jenny Oates Sister Rosie Martin Rogers Gillian Clark Pepe Messel William and Lincoln Sue GayLard – Hughes Aiden Downton Lucy Briggs- Owen

Monday

Sathia Aruliah Susie King

Tuesday

Pam Parker Oussama and Claire Sader

Wednesday

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

Vy and Angel Wray Jennie Williams

Thursday

Remie Clarke

Friday

Charlotte Hopkins, Caroline Semon, Nadine Benn The O'Sullivan family

Saturday

The Departed

Hugh Farry Lucille Osafa Mary Whittington Diana Verity Rhona Bennett Tim Draycott Arthur Cleaver Jonathan Welland Gwladys Hughes Antony Keyworth-Berridge

Years' Minds - this week we remember:

Dennis Cleeve Sian Ivey Dennis Skinner (Pr) Pamela Royce Catherine Jones Evelyn Adams Ian Westmacott (Pr) Tony Lea-Hair

ALL SAINTS PRAYERS

Mon 19	Wulfstan, Bp Worcester 1095 The Diocese of Worcester and the Monastic Order of Benedictine. Reform of the Church – especially quality of ecclesiastic administration.
Tue 20	Richard Rolle of Hampole, Spiritual Writer, 1349 Remember in prayer those special parts of creation – the Arctic and Antarctic. Pray that we may address the issues of climate change effectively. Pray also for those who live lives of prayer and work to deepen our spiritual insight.
Wed 21	Mass 10.00am Agnes, Child Martyr at Rome, 304 Pray for children who suffer at the front line – of violence, war, family crisis, rape and abuse. Those who work for and amongst them. Pray also for those young people who suffer from abnormalities of perception of their own body shape or weight.
Thurs 22	Vincent of Saragossa, Deacon, first Martyr of Spain 304 Those who can't speak, those who stammer, those who find it a challenge to put thoughts to words. Those frustrated because their ideas and thoughts are locked away and difficult to communicate
Fri 23	Mass 10.00am Children and grandchildren; families; richness of life. Importance of life wisdom communicated through generations.
Sat 24	Francis de Sales, Bishop of Geneva, Teacher of the Faith, 1622 Pray for those who work in the food industry and in particular with fish. From deep-sea life threatening fishing to fishmongers. Including conservationists and scientists
Sunday 25	Epiphany 3 The Conversion of Paul (transferred) Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power 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 :
The Parish Safeguarding Officers - Caroline Davenport & Janice Callow at safeguarding@allsaintsclifton.org