

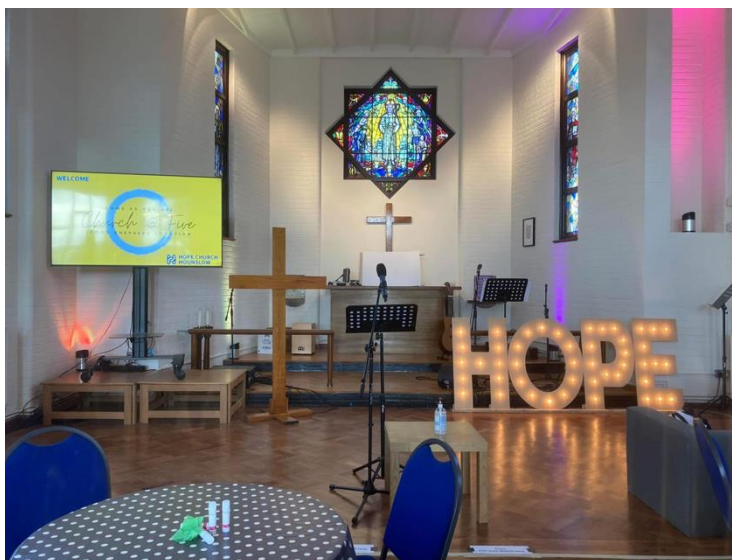
# ALL SAINTS NEWS

7<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Trinity

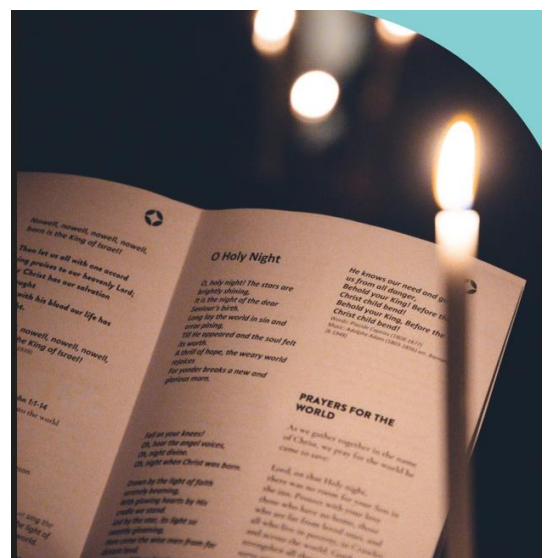
## Coming into the Anglo-Catholic Tradition from an Evangelical Background by Michelle Jordan, Trinity College Ordinand.

The terms “evangelical” and “Anglo-Catholic” are relatively new to me. Growing up, I attended what would be described as a non-denominational evangelical church, although to me it was simply church.

It wasn't until I began working for an Anglican church around ten years ago that I first heard these labels being used. More recently, through discerning a call to ordained ministry, I have started to identify with them for myself and how I worship. Although I knew the Church of England contained a variety of traditions, I had little direct experience of them. In the churches I attended, practices such as liturgy, weekly Eucharist, and more formal styles of worship were largely absent. Of course, every church has traditions (even those that would describe themselves as non-traditional) but these particular expressions were unfamiliar to me.



Hope Church in Hounslow



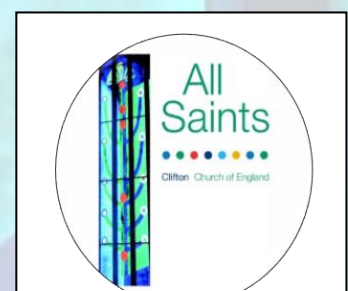
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My first experience of a church that followed a set liturgy, celebrated the Eucharist every week, and sang hymns rather than contemporary worship songs was, if I'm honest, not a positive one. I often felt out of place and unsure of myself. I worried about standing, sitting, or speaking at the wrong time, and sometimes felt judged because of my evangelical background and style of worship. As a result, I came to see Anglo-Catholic worship as rigid, and unwelcoming. Thankfully, that perception began to change.

In my sending church, my incumbent helped me to see the value of creating space for people to worship and encounter God in different ways. Through our traditional Eucharist services, I began to realise that the liturgy, symbols, and actions of the priest were not simply done for tradition's sake. Everything had meaning, purpose, and theological depth. I was shown the beauty of liturgy and the reasons behind the order of the service and the celebration of the sacraments.

I also remember serving as an acolyte and learning from people who were kind, gracious, and patient. These were people who, like me, loved Jesus and wanted to worship him with all that they were. When I made mistakes, they did not sigh in frustration or make me feel foolish. Instead, they answered my questions, encouraged me, and taught me with grace.

One of the things that particularly struck me was watching the whole congregation come forward to receive communion. The sharing of the bread and the cup, the words spoken, and the sense of reverence all pointed to something bigger than ourselves. Here was a powerful reminder that no matter our background, status, education, or life experience, we all come before God on equal ground. We come as those in need of grace, bowing before our Creator and gathering at the Lord's Table. In that moment, everyone is invited to encounter the same loving and merciful God.

So what does Anglo-Catholicism look like here at All Saints? I am still very new, but as someone coming from outside of this tradition, one of the first things I have noticed is that you do not need to say that everyone is welcome because you live it out. It is evident in your friendliness, your hospitality, and your open doors.

What has struck me most is that although our styles of worship may look quite different, our unity remains. Whether evangelical or Anglo-Catholic, we are people who love Jesus and desire to worship and serve him. We place Christ at the centre of our lives. We study the Scriptures. We seek to share the good news of the Gospel and serve our neighbours through mission and ministry.

When you take part in a service at All Saints, it becomes clear that worship engages the whole person. The beauty of the stained-glass windows, the sound of the choir, the smell of incense, the movement of the liturgy, and the physical actions of kneeling, standing, and processing all draw people into worship through their senses as well as their minds.

I may never lead an Anglo-Catholic church like All Saints, but my time here is giving me a deeper appreciation for this tradition and all that it offers. I hope to take some of what I learn into my own future ministry, creating services, where different expressions of worship are valued and where people are encouraged to encounter God in ways that speak to them.

As I continue my placement here, I would love to hear from you. What do you value most about your tradition and style of worship? What first drew you to All Saints? What keeps you here? I look forward to learning more from you as we continue to worship and serve Christ together.



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## The Atrium Development

The work on the atrium will begin on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June . The first piece of work will be removing the remaining asbestos from the pipework under the paving slabs between the kitchen and the main door entrance to the church.

As each piece of work progresses, it will be necessary to use different entrances to access the Church and the Randall Room. This regular section in the news will ensure that everyone will know what is happening and how to access services and events.

From June 1<sup>st</sup>, for at least 21 days, the main church doors will be closed and entry to the Church will be via the Richard Chapel doors. Toilets will be accessible via one side of the Atrium, an accessible toilet will be available on request from next Sunday. There will be no access to the kitchen, office or Choir vestry.

Only the Richard Chapel will be open for private prayer during the day when the church is unattended.

**FREE ENTRY**



**Junior Tea time Concert**  
**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June at 4.00pm**  
at  
**All Saints Church, Pembroke Road, Clifton**



For more information, contact Mrs Maria Johnson:  
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All Saints Book Group - Perfectly Correct by Philippa Gregory  
Wednesday 22nd July 7:00pm – 9:00pm



*All Saints Book Group*

**Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026, 7-9 pm**

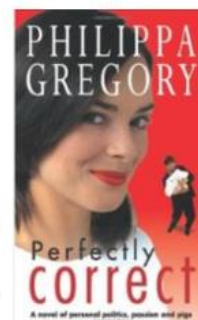
Join us for our bi-monthly All Saints' book group

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

The book for our July 2026 meeting will be:

***Perfectly Correct***  
By Philippa Gregory

**Future Dates (all Wednesdays)**  
**23 Sept; 25 Nov 2026**



Sisters of the Church  
Celebrating our 35th year back in Bristol  
82 Ashley Road



***My house shall be a house of prayer (Mark 11)***

July 2026

2nd @ 7pm-8pm

Holy Hour - silent reflection in front of the Blessed Sacrament  
followed by Compline

*RSVP by 29th June*



9th @ 6pm-8pm

Eucharist followed by Supper

*RSVP by 6th July*



15th @ 7pm-8pm

Intercessions for Bristol and the Diocese

*RSVP by 13th July*

22nd @ 11:30am-2pm

Eucharist in the yard

followed by picnic lunch in our garden

*(please bring your own lunch)*

*RSVP by 20th July*

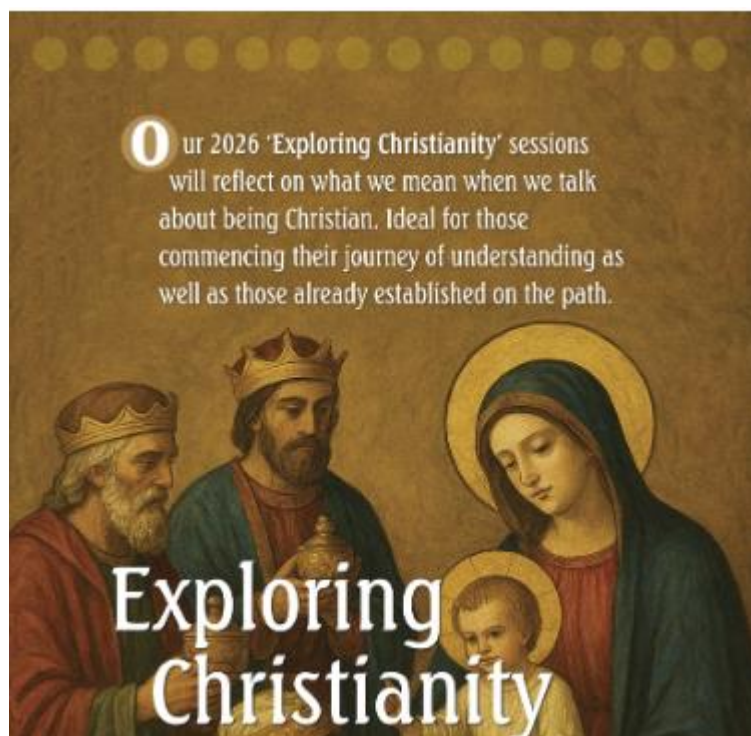


with limited space we need an **RSVP** for all these events  
[bristoladmin@sistersofthechurch.org](mailto:bristoladmin@sistersofthechurch.org)



Conductor **David Bednall**  
Accompanist **Nigel Nash**

To find out more and to **buy tickets**,  
see the Bristol Bach Choir website



**A further series of Exploring Christianity is approaching:**

12.30 - 1.30 (with sandwiches) in the Randall Room after Mass on Sundays :

- June 7 Anglo-Catholicism
- June 21 God in the Old Testament
- July 12 The Sacraments
- July 26 Heresies

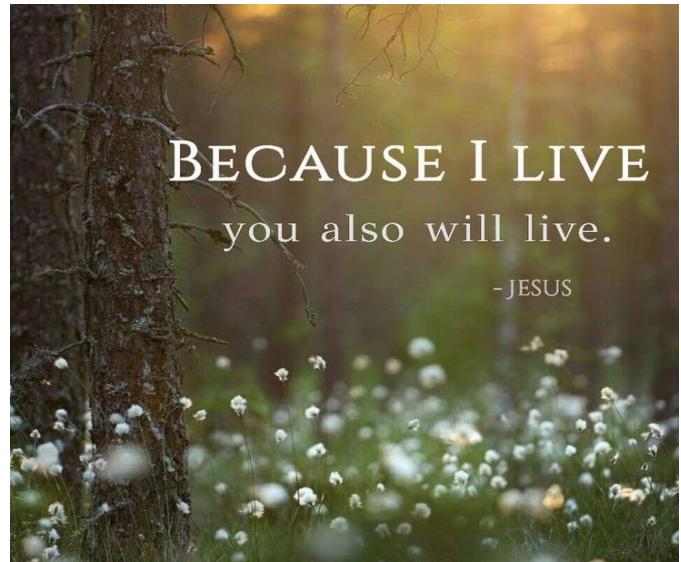
All welcome, at whatever stage of the journey of faith.

## 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 Epina Sarah Jean Bradford Ossama & Clare Sader Debbie Gibbs Sara Maitland Jessica Smith

### Monday

### Tuesday.

### Wednesday

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

### Thursday

### Friday

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

### Saturday

### The Departed

Lucille Osafa Gwladys Hughes Antony Keyworth-Berridge Chris Griffin Jenny Oates Brian Davage Jean Payne Jeremy Younger (Pr)

### Years' Minds - this week we remember:

Molly Gapes Diane Clover Max Cameron - Mary Barty John Sanders

# ALL SAINTS PRAYERS

Mon 15	<b>Evelyn Underhill, Spiritual Writer, 1941</b> Pray for children and young people who will go into Care today: for courts, social workers, parents and foster parents as they strive to put vulnerable children first.
Tue 16	<b>Richard Bp of Chichester 1253</b> <i>Thanks be to Thee, my Lord Jesus Christ, For all the benefits Thou hast given me, For all the pains and insults Thou hast borne for me.</i> <i>O most merciful Redeemer, friend and brother, May I know Thee more clearly, Love Thee more dearly, Follow Thee more nearly</i>
Wed 17	<b>Samuel and Henrietta Barnet, Social reformers 1913, 1936.</b> Pray for those who continue to work for social reform: for individuals, agencies and charities working with the very poorest in our communities. Remember the Sisters of the Church and their work in St.Pauls.
Thurs 18	<b>Mass 10.00am Bernard Mizeki, Apostle of the MaShana, Martyr 1896</b> Biro brothers bought and established the 'bic' pen. 774 Million adults are unable to write (2/3 are women) – literacy sits at the heart of learning, personal empowerment and social progress – it is a fundamental human right. Pray for those working for international literacy.
Fri 19	<b>Mass 10.00am Sundar Singh of India Holy Man 1929</b> Pray for the people of Tibet. Sundar Singh (Anglican Priest) made his final trip to work in Tibet in 1929 - he was a widely known and respected Christian accepted across all denominations – globally and in India.
Sat 20	Pray for performers, especially those engaged in circus. A circus is a company of performers – clowns, acrobats, trapeze, tightrope walkers, jugglers, hoopers, unicyclists, object manipulators. Pray for performers and the work of the Bristol circus schools
<b>Sunday 21</b>	<b>Trinity 3</b>  Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God.  <b>Early Worship 9.00am Parish Mass 10.30am</b>

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](mailto: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](mailto:safeguarding@allsaintsclifton.org)