

## Pray for God's People

### Today is All Saints Patronal Festival (A)

10:30 am Parish Mass.  
Solemn Festival Mass  
Followed by refreshments

### Monday **St Johns Clevedon**

6:00 pm Mass

### Tuesday All Saints Church

10:00 am Mass.

### Wednesday

10:00 am Mass. All Saints. at St Saviours Hall

11:00 am Coffee Church.

6:00 pm **St Johns Clevedon** Mass

### Thursday All Saints Church

10:00 am Mass of Requiem for All Souls

### Friday **St Johns Clevedon**

10:00 am BCP Mass

### Saturday All Saints Church

10:00 am Mass

### Next Sunday is 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 am Parish Mass.  
Celebrant Fr. Darren Smith

## Pray for Gods People

**Those who are in need, including:** Fr.Ron, Enid, Henry, Eunice, Gary, Paula, Angela, Mike, Alan, Pam, Emma, Keith, Suzanne, Deirdre, Sarah, Nichola, John, Andy, Shelley, Kimberley, Christine, Julie, Maria, Val, Brian, and all who receive Communion at home, all who mourn the death of a loved one, all who are lonely at this time.

Those who have died recently including Carol Williams.

And those whose anniversaries of death fall at this including: S. Morag Michael, Alfred Walker, Victor Johnston (31<sup>st</sup>), Iris Walker (3<sup>rd</sup>).

Rest Eternal Grant to them O Lord:

**And let light perpetual shine upon them.**

## Calendar and Events

Today we celebrate our Patronal Festival, the Feast of All Saints, and we are joined by the Revd Canon Nicola Stanley, Canon Pastor and Vice Dean of Bristol Cathedral. Nicola is a good friend and an able preacher. I know you will enjoy hearing her.

On Friday 8th December at 7.30 pm Vocalise choir with Matthew Goh at the piano present an evening of well-known Christmas songs and carols Tickets £10 on the door following that, on Saturday 16th December at 3 pm Weston Choral will sing excerpts from the Messiah, interspersed with carols and readings. Entitled 'Sure on this Shining Night'. **Tickets Are Now On Sale.** To buy a ticket go to the WC website, or speak to Jude (ASAP) if you have a problem. There will be **NO** tickets sold on the door, unless there's a cancellation. Please make sure to buy your tickets online to avoid disappointment

We now have our Foodbank collection box in Church again and also for those who come to Coffee Church there is one down at St Saviours Hall as well.

Next Wednesday we are holding a Mass at St Saviours at 10:00; this will be followed by Coffee Church which will be our normal "Hymns of Praise Morning."

Please do stay for refreshments after Mass today.

## All Saints with Saint Saviour's

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## All Saints Patronal Festival

29th October 2023

## Our Worship Today

Today's feast is a celebration of all the saints, especially those whose holiness went unnoticed. We are called to join with them in living lives of true sanctity so that we may enjoy, even in this life, the blessings of heaven.

## Our Hymns Today

All today's hymns are in the service booklet

## The Word of the Lord

**Reading 1**                      **Apocalypse 7:2-4. 9-14**

We are all instruments of God but not always willingly, so that we do not know the true meaning of our lives.

**Reading 2**                      **1 John 3:1-3**

God's love for us means that our destiny is to be like Christ

**Gospel**                              **Matthew 5:1-12**

The promised blessings of the humble disciples of Christ.

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

*Let us all rejoice in the Lord,  
as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints,  
at whose festival the Angels rejoice  
and praise the Son of God.*

**COLLECT**

Almighty ever-living God,  
by whose gift we venerate in one celebration  
the merits of all the Saints,  
bestow on us, we pray,  
through the prayers of so many intercessors,  
an abundance of the reconciliation with you  
for which we earnestly long.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.  
*Amen.*

**FIRST READING** Apocalypse 7:2-4. 9-14

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse.

I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, "Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God." Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel.

After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, "Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words: "Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen."

One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, "Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?" I answered him, "You can tell me, my lord." Then he said, "These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb."

The word of the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God.*

**PSALM** Psalm 23

**RESPONSE:** *Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.*

1. The Lord's is the earth and its fullness,  
the world and all its peoples.  
It is he who set it on the seas;  
on the waters he made it firm. **R.**
2. Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?  
Who shall stand in his holy place?  
The man with clean hands and pure heart,  
who desires not worthless things. **R.**
3. He shall receive blessings from the Lord  
and reward from the God who saves him.  
Such are the men who seek him,  
seek the face of the God of Jacob. **R.**

**SECOND READING** 1 John 3:1-3

A reading from the first letter of St John.

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us,  
by letting us be called God's children;  
and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him,  
therefore it does not acknowledge us.  
My dear people, we are already the children of God  
but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed;  
all we know is, that when it is revealed  
we shall be like him  
because we shall see him as he really is.  
Surely everyone who entertains this hope  
must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.  
The word of the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia, alleluia!  
Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened,  
and I will give you rest, says the Lord.  
Alleluia!*

**GOSPEL** Matthew 5:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

"How happy are the poor in spirit;  
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
Happy the gentle:  
they shall have the earth for their heritage.  
Happy those who mourn:  
they shall be comforted.  
Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right:  
they shall be satisfied.  
Happy the merciful:  
they shall have mercy shown them.  
Happy the pure in heart:  
they shall see God.  
Happy the peacemakers:  
they shall be called sons of God.  
Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right:  
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.  
*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

May these offerings we bring in honour of all the Saints  
be pleasing to you, O Lord,  
and grant that, just as we believe the Saints  
to be already assured of immortality,  
so we may experience their concern for our salvation.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
*Amen.*

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

*Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God.  
Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they shall be called children of God.  
Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of  
righteousness,  
for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

As we adore you, O God, who alone are holy  
and wonderful in all your Saints,  
we implore your grace,  
so that, coming to perfect holiness in the fullness of your love,  
we may pass from this pilgrim table  
to the banquet of our heavenly homeland.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
*Amen.*