

ALL SAINTS NEWS

12th November 2023
3rd before Advent
Remembrance Sunday



Song of Pain and Beauty

O may these days of pain,
These wasted-seeming days,
Somewhere reflower again
With scent and savour of praise.
Draw out of memory all bitterness
Of night with Thy sun's rays.

And strengthen Thou in me
The love of men here found,
And eager charity,
That, out of difficult ground,
Spring like flowers in barren deserts or
Like light or a lovely sound.

A simpler heart than mine
Might have seen beauty clear
Where I could see no sign
Of Thee, but only fear.
Strengthen me, make me to see Thy beauty
always
In every happening here.

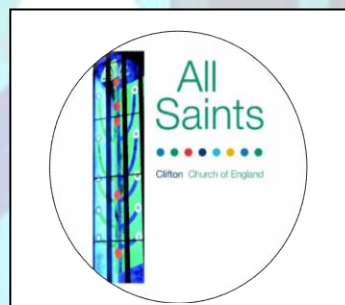
In Trenches, March 1917, Ivor Gurney

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Remembering the Korean War: This year marks 70 years since fighting in the Korean War came to an end.

The 'Forgotten War'



27th July is the anniversary of the armistice of what many call 'the Forgotten War'. It was overshadowed by the end of the Second World War and the subsequent 'Cold War', and yet the sacrifice of the allied Armed Forces was extremely high, and its legacy still has a global impact.

Following the end of Japanese occupation in 1945 it was agreed by the United States and the Soviet Union to divide Korea into two occupation zones.

What was intended as a temporary border resulted in partition: the communist Democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea) and the American-backed Republic of Korea (South Korea).

William Swarbrick of 20 Field Regiment, Royal Artillery arrived in Korea in February 1953. He recalls:

"When I came home after being away for 12 months there was no home coming party. When I met friends and they said that they hadn't seen me for a while, I told them I had been to Korea. They usually asked where it was in the world. I don't think many people knew about the Korean War and it came to be known as the 'Forgotten War'."

The new governments claimed rule over all of Korea and neither accepted the border as permanent. On 25th June 1950, after years of clashes along the border, the North Korean People's Army invaded South Korea, overwhelming the south's forces. In response, the USA called on the United Nations Security Council to invoke the UN Charter and declare the North Koreans as aggressors. This would be the first war in which the UN took an active involvement and called on all members to help the South. The USA was the first to respond with UN combat troops to support South Korea, followed by a further 14 nations, including the UK.



The poppy is a symbol of Remembrance and hope, including hope for a positive future and peaceful world.

In the spring of 1915, shortly after losing a friend in Ypres, a Canadian doctor, Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae wrote his now famous poem after seeing poppies growing in battle-scarred fields.

In Flanders Fields

John McCrae

In Flanders' fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place: and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders' fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe;
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high,
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders' Fields.

A Prayer for the Israel Palestine Conflict

(From Discover Pilgrimage - October 2023)

A prayer for the Israel Palestine Conflict.

God of light and salvation, our refuge and our strength,
We pray for the people of Israel and Palestine amid the escalating violence.
We pray for those killed and injured by rockets from Gaza in southern Israel.
May your rod and staff comfort them.
We pray for those who are grieving. May they know your ever-present help.

We pray for the protection of those who have been taken hostage by Hamas. As they walk through this dark valley, may they fear no evil.
We pray for the civilians of Gaza. May they know that their help comes from the Maker of heaven and earth.

And we pray for those in leadership in Gaza and Israel. May you guide them along the right paths.
We ask all this in union with Christ and trusting in the power of your Holy Spirit. **Amen**



Walks for Everyone



Our next Walk is going to Shirehampton on **Saturday 11th November,**
Armistice Day.

- Meet at 10.50 on platform, 1 Clifton Down Station. (2 min Silence?)
- We'll begin by exploring the earliest social housing in Bristol, financed and built by two pioneering women
- Then we'll explore the Daisy Field nature reserve, where the new statue of a horse commemorates the 350,000 horses and the men who all passed through the Shirehampton Remount Depot on their way to the battlefields during World War One.

For more information contact: georginaharford@hotmail.com 07767 746168

The Julian Trust – Socks



Our socks store is getting a little low – so , we need socks !

New socks, used socks - mostly for men but women's socks are also acceptable.

If you are able to contribute any socks , please leave them in the Parish Office for collection

Remembrance at All Saints 2023



Requiem Masses will be held at the 10.00am Mass on **Friday 17th November** and **Wednesday 22nd November**

Please add the names of anyone that you would like to be remembered during the Requiem services to the lists in the Atrium.

The **Remembrance Service on Sunday the 12th of November** begins at **10.15am** at the All Saints war memorial.

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CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2023

The Sisters are looking for donations for their Christmas Food and Gift parcels.

This year they are asking for hats, gloves and socks for men and women.

Toiletry sets for men and women and Argos or One4all gift cards for children.



If you are able to help or give a donation towards the Christmas gifts please see the poster in the porch.



All Saints
Clifton Church of England




Parish Lunch





Join us in the Randall Room after Mass for
Parish Lunch

Sunday 26th November @ 12.30pm

A delicious home-cooked 3-course meal
(main, pudding, cheese & biscuits)

Vegetarian/gluten free can be accommodated

Cash Bar

Tickets: £6 each; £12 for a family

On sale in church: from Sunday 5 Nov

Contact Janice: rjhopkins57@yahoo.co.uk

OR

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



Bristol WNO Friends in November

Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau - an illustrious operatic career

In a change to our advertised programme, Bristol Friends of WNO warmly invite you to our November Meeting which now profiles Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau. This phenomenal singer sang and recorded more vocal music than anyone before or since. His long and wide-ranging career in opera is explored by Andrew Borkowski, focusing on the magnificent portrayal of memorable characters from the operas of Mozart, Verdi, Richard Strauss and Wagner such as Papageno, Rigoletto, Barak and Hans Sachs.

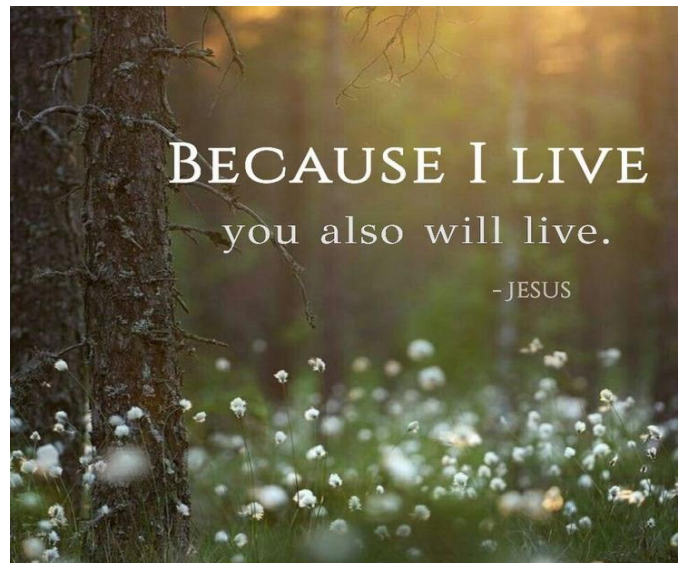
Wednesday 15th November in the Apostle Room, 6.45 for 7.15: bar available. Friends £8, Visitors £10.
Further information from melaniejdavid@btinternet.com or 01934 842014

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 who we remember in our Prayers.

Sunday Tabitha Clark, Ruth and Richard Harding, Katie Norman, Neal Gordon, Joyce Shepherd, Cynthia Ashford Sue Hilliar Mary Greenacre Nadine Benn Lorna Osbon Elisabeth Morgan Andrew Casimir Rev. Melvyn Matthews Sathia Aruliah Ryan Lindsey

Monday

Tuesday.

Wednesday , Katrina and Katherine King, Philip Miles, Diana Verity, Samantha Tucker, Hugh Farry Maureen Mumford George Lymperopoulos

Thursday

Friday Charlotte Hopkins, Andy & Gina Ford, Caroline Semon, Nicole Kaneza.

Saturday

The Departed

Ron Gale Valerie Donkin Hugh Barron Chris Benton Helen Campbell
Chris Chamberlain Rob Dalton Tom Duncan Joanne Wilkins Eileen Davies Len Hughes
John Morley-Bunker (Pr)

Years' Minds - this week we remember

Rob Graham Maureen Gill Louise Strachan Jo McKie Arthur Miles
Mary Rowe Dorothy Ching

ALL SAINTS PRAYERS

Mon 13	Charles Simeon, Priest, Evangelical Divine, 1836 Pray for orphans. Each year millions of children become orphans because of war, famine, displacement, disease, poverty and accident. Whilst care of orphans was enshrined in Roman, Greek and Jewish law from very early in history the responsibility for care transferred to the Church in the early mediaeval period (in Europe). Pray for all those who have responsibility to care for orphans.
Tue 14	Samuel Seabury, first Bishop of N America 1796 Pray for the LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) community may they find a place in society free of suffering due to intolerance and misunderstanding. Pray for our Church that we may find ways to live the Gospel and not be divided by fundamentalist attitudes.
Wed 15	Mass 10.00 am Pray for individuals and organizations who operate philanthropically. Through their love of humanity they seek to care, nourish, develop and enhance the lives of others. May we adopt these attitudes and behaviours ourselves.
Thurs 16	Margaret, Queen of Scotland, reformer 1093 Pray for those who work amongst people in need and in desperate circumstances, for the homeless and people who live on the periphery. In particular the work of the Sisters of the Church and the Julian Trust here in Bristol.
Fri 17	Requiem Mass 10.00 am Pray for the work of Bristol Zoo project – education, research and conservation. Pray for those who work with animals in our community, vets and their staff
Sat 18	Elizabeth of Hungary, Princess of Thuringia 1231 Pray for those children who are adopted or are in the process of being adopted. Give thanks and pray for the families who are willing and able to adopt children. This is a life-changing event for the children and the families. (International Adoption Day)
Sunday 19	2 before Advent Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom. 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 Officer - Stephen O'Keefe
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