

All Saints News

Sunday 21st January 2018

Third Sunday of Epiphany Marriage at Cana in Galilee

Notices from Fr Charles:

■ PCC Open Meeting

Last Tuesday the PCC Meeting was open to anyone who would like to come along and experience the PCC in action. Of course the PCC is in action all the time and not simply when it meets together. This is especially so when we remind ourselves that the function of the PCC is:

'cooperation with the incumbent in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical'.

This is quite an exciting notion and far removed from matters of the fabric (heating, lighting, sound, leaking rooves and so forth), not to say that such matters are of concern and consequence.

Thank you to both the visitors who joined the meeting and to those members of the PCC who invest time and energy in promoting the 'mission of the church' in this place.

■ Hosting and Welcome

One topic that was discussed in various ways was the welcome we give to visitors and new people (at worship, when 'just passing', coming to concerts and exhibitions, and other times). The quality and nature of this welcome is important as is the ability to 'read' the extent to which visitors want to engage. This year, our 150th Anniversary, this will become a very significant activity.

The number and frequency of events will require us to 'host' many of the events. This will mean a number of different activities (dependent upon the event), such as extending welcome, ensuring people know what's going on where, providing tea/coffee/cake, helping organisers get organised (!). All this is part of our celebration and our mission.

The intention is that these tasks should not fall to the lot of Churchwardens and 'the usual suspects' alone. As the year progresses we'll make sure that opportunities to join in are made available so we can effectively share responsibility and also the fun of the occasions.

■ The Family Service

Some of the Family Service family gathered together last week to discuss the Family Service and some of the activities that surround this. This topic was also part of the discussions at PCC last Tuesday. These were really worthwhile conversations and are resulting in a number of actions. Thank you to all who have been involved.

A more detailed account will be available later but a few of the key actions will be:

- Family Service will alternate between freshly structured Service of the Word and Family Mass; the themes and programme will be communicated in advance; more engagement of anyone who'd like to read, pray, serve or act as hosts.

▪ Additionally there will be a Family Lent course this year; workshops through the year; a 150th Family Activity; a parish family outing.
And the teaching will focus on core topics, festivals and themes and scripture (both Old and New Testament).

▪ **Chris and Diana Verity Congratulations!! 60th Wedding Anniversary**
Chris and Diana invite us all to join them at a celebration of their 60 years of marriage in the Atrium after the Parish Mass today.

Candlemas

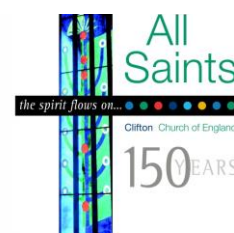


Festival Mass

Friday 2nd February 2018
at 7.30pm

Please stay for the bar and refreshments after Mass

All Saints is supporting Off the Record throughout the 150th celebrations



Off The Record (Bristol) is a mental health support and information service in Bristol which provides counselling, group workshops, anti-stigma campaigns, creative therapies, LGBTQ+ networks and support, stress management workshops and community-based support groups for young people. OTR works across Bristol and South Gloucestershire and is free at every point of access.

Founded in November 1965, Off The Record (Bristol) is one of the oldest established young people's mental health services in the country. The service began as a result of a combined initiative between the Bristol Association of Youth Clubs and Bristol Marriage and Family Guidance Council.

Now based on St. Michael's Hill in central Bristol, Off The Record also has outreach sites in Lawrence Weston, Lockleaze, Withywood and Barton Hill. Off The Record supports over 3,000 young people in Bristol every year.



Save the Date!

Thursday March 8th 2018 7.00 pm

Our Grand Celebration

Community Choral Concert

with participation from local schools and choirs, All Saints musicians - and audience!

Britten 'Saint Nicolas' cantata

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The River of Life

a cantata specially commissioned for All Saints 150 years from
Bristol composer **John Marsh** with libretto by **Julie Nicholson**

*If you are a singer and would like to join the choir for this occasion, or know a singer who
would like to, please contact John Davenport as soon as possible

Rehearsals will take place in February.

Admission will be free, but tickets will be required, and will be available
from the church office in the New Year.



all saints arts

Recital

Henry Metcalfe

Willcocks
Organ Scholar
of Clifton College

Saturday

February 3rd

4pm

retiring collection

tea and cake



organ matinée

All Saints Church
Pembroke Rd
Clifton



Friends on Friday

Dementia Friendly Café at All Saints meet regularly at 2.00pm on the second Friday of each month. The next meetings in 2018 are:

Friday 9th March and Friday 6th April

Dementia Friendly church services will be held on Sunday 11th March and Sunday 8th April from 3pm until 3.30pm

The group and service are open to everyone including people with dementia, their families and carers, please tell your friends and neighbours.



22 M	Mass 9.30am. Agnes, Child Martyr at Rome, 304 <i>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.</i>
23 T	Mass 7.00pm <i>Pray for those who are unable to 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.</i>
24 W	Mass 9.30am Francis de Sales, Bishop of Geneva, Teacher of the Faith, 1622 <i>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</i>
25 Th	Mass 7.00pm Conversion of Paul (TuB'Shevat) <i>Pray for those who live in, work with, and research trees, forests and woods. Pray for those who work with wood. Pray for fruit farmers</i>
26 F	Mass 10.30am Timothy and Titus, Companions of Paul <i>Remember in prayer your friends and companions. Those who make your life special; for the communities in which we live, thanking God for opportunities to work together. Pray for those who are alone.</i>
27 Sa	Mass 10.30am <i>Pray for those whose interests lie predominately in the world of electronics and digital communication. For developers and users of the social media, 'games' and other on-line activities that have transformed the world. May they be enabled to do this to the benefit of humankind and creation.</i>
28 Su	Sunday Epiphany 4 <i>God our creator, who in the beginning commanded the light to shine out of darkness: we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief, shine into the hearts of all your people, and reveal the knowledge of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.</i> Mass 8.00 am Family Service 9.30 am Parish Mass 11.00 am Evening Prayer 6.00 pm

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