ALL SAINTS NEWS

17th March 2024 5th Sunday of Lent

Passiontide Veiling



The crosses are veiled because Christ during this time no longer walked openly among the people, but hid himself. In certain churches this takes place at the words of the Gospel: "Jesus autem abscondebat se." (But Jesus did hide himself). Another reason is added by Durandus, namely that Christ's divinity was hidden when he arrived at the time of His suffering and death. The images of the saints also are covered because it would seem improper for the servants to appear when the Master himself is hidden. Traditions vary. In some places the crosses are covered on Ash Wednesday; in others, on the first Sunday of Lent. In England there was an old custom for the first Monday of Lent to be the date on which to cover up all the crucifixes, images of every kind, shrines and reliquaries. The Stations of the Cross remain uncovered.

Whist crosses may be uncovered after the unveiling of the 'principal crucifix' during the Good Friday Liturgy it is often the case that all coverings are removed prior to the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday. Very traditional churches will uncover crosses prior to the Easter Vigil and then remove all other coverings during the Gloria in Excelsis at the Easter Vigil.

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Lay Licensed Ministers

Lay Licensed Ministers (often referred to as LLMs, a term which includes Licensed Readers) are called to live out their Christian faith in a wide variety of contexts. Their primary ministry may be focused at home, in the local community, in their workplace, or any number of other social networks.

They often also hold a wide variety of responsibilities in churches and play a key part in the church's mission and ministry. This often includes pastoral care, funeral ministry, preaching and teaching, leading worship, and other leadership roles which they often shared with the incumbent and clergy. LLMs are very much part of the Parish Ministry Team.

In worship LLMs are easily recognised by the blue scarf or scapula which is their traditional 'formal dress'. Many LLMs (like PSEs - Priest in Secular Employment) are a 'bridge' between the worshipping communities and the life of work, employment and other communities.

In this Diocese Dr Stephanie Hayton is the 'Warden of Readers (and Advisor for Lay Ministry) and within our Deanery (Bristol West) Sarah Thomas is the Deanery Sub-Warden of Readers.

Here at All Saints, we are incredibly fortunate in having three LLMs who are very much engaged with the life, ministry and mission of ASC. Liz Badman, Jessica Smith and Helen Clifton each have a slightly different focus of attention, and all are very active in the teaching and worship. This does not overlook the range of other 'lay ministries' visible and less visible here at All Saints. as people live out their different callings and responses to their faith. We give thanks for all these ministries and hold those who engage in them in our prayers.

The LLM February Conference

Helen Clifton writes: "On the weekend of 23rd-25th February, I attended a conference organised for Licensed Lay Ministers (LLMs) in the Diocese of Bristol. It was held at Stanton Fitzwarren, near Swindon, and it was well attended, as you can see in the group photo, with over 70 LLMs there.



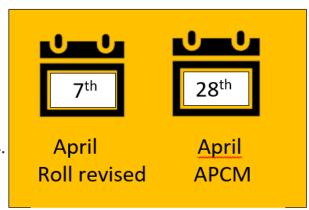
There were a number of sessions helping us to think about how to preach to encourage discipleship, and Bishop Neil guided our thinking about the diocesan vision. There were also workshops and times of worship. There were plenty of opportunities for good conversation, and it was good to meet both new LLMs and to catch up with familiar faces."



APCM and revising the Electoral Roll

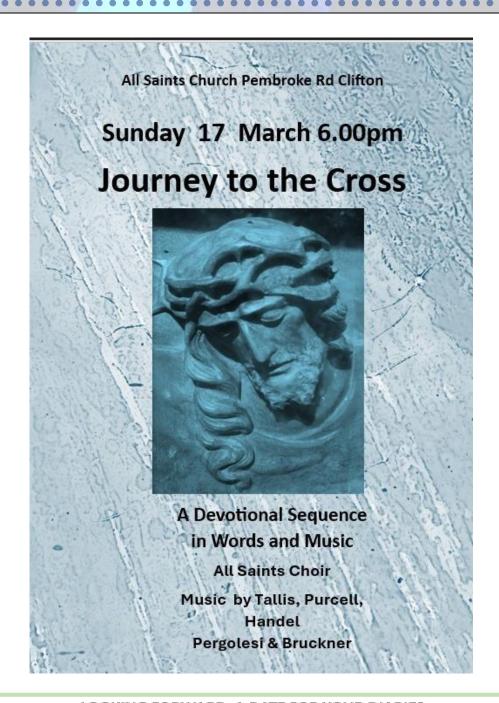
The APCM will be held on Sunday 28th of April 2024 in the Randall Room.

A revision of the Electoral Roll is taking place in 2024. Notice is given and Applications invited from Sunday 10th of March 2024.



If you wish to be included on the Electoral Roll please complete an application form and return it to the Parish Office.

All changes must be completed by Thursday 28th of March at 10.00am. The revised Roll will be available for inspection from Sunday 7th of April for 14 days.



LOOKING FORWARD, A DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES

EASTERTIDE CHURCH CRAWL Saturday 27 April 2024

Leave All Saints at 9.15am Arrive back around 5.30pm

Visiting St Catherine's Hoarwithy; All Saints Brockhampton; St Mary's Kempley; St Edward the Confessor Kempley. These are four interesting and very different churches.

Tea at Valerie's Tea Rooms Monmouth

We have booked a 17 seater minibus which we hope to fill! Cost £25-£30 depending how many sign up! Please sign list on porch notice board

Further details from Liz Badman liz.badman@virginmedia.com



Bristol Friends of WNO warmly invite you to a talk at The Apostle Room, Clifton Cathedral on Wednesday 20th March, 6.45 for 7.15 start

What I have learned since leaving WNO

Phil Gibby is now South West Director for Arts Council England. He will reflect on the present debate about support and funding for opera. He will also take questions and we promise a lively discussion along with Phil's personal choice of music.

Easy parking, bar, Friends £8, Visitors £10 Further information from Melanie David, Tel: 01934 842014 email: melaniejdavid@btinternet.com





Sholto Malcolm Townend MacTurk

Funeral Service at All Saints Clifton
On
Maundy Thursday 28 March at 1.00pm

Mary Greenacre

Funeral, with gathering and refreshments, at Memorial Woodlands (BS35 3TA) On Maundy Thursday, 28th March at 2.15 pm,

The Rt Revd Peter James Firth Bishop of Malmsbury 1983-1994

Memorial Service at St Peter, Winchcombe. On Saturday 16th March at 2pm.

> Rest eternal grant them O Lord, And may light perpetual shine upon them



The Season of Lent

During the Season of Lent there are a variety of ways on offer in which you can prayerfully and thoughtfully engage with the season. Full details are available on the All Saints Website – do look for 'Lent and Easter at All Saints 2024' or click directly through from the home page.

Evening Lenten Said Mass

o Tuesday 19th March at 7.00pm in Richard Chapel

Acts of Worship and Reflection

As in previous years we enter Passiontide with:

17th March Sunday Music and Readings for Passiontide at 6.00pm



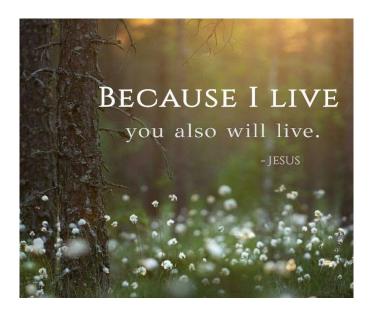
Mass for Palm Sunday begins at 10.15am

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 Elisabeth Morgan Sathia Aruliah Ryan Lindsey Steve Cooper Jenny Rogers Sister Rosina Nicholas Parker Leonie Benn Barbera Freeman

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

Joanne Wilkins Eileen Davies Len Hughes John Morley-Bunker (Pr) Erna Sacof Betty Shaw Irene Cameron Toby Leathwood Eric Dee Lloyd-Davis Nick Atkinson Mario Toffolo Mary Greenacre Sholto MacTurk Peter Firth (Bp)

Years' Minds - this week we remember

Timothy Sherman Gwen Francis Gwyneth James Moya Tandy Mary Harris

ALL SAINTS PRAYERS

Mon	Cyril of Jerusalem 386
18	Praying for all who live within the Abrahamic Faiths. May a better understanding
	develop between Christians, Jews and Muslims.
	Our role, as people of Faith, is not to 'prove' the existence of God, but to lead people to
	grow in their faith.
Tue	Joseph of Nazareth
19	Pray for husbands and fathers, and for those who work with their hands (carpenters)
	but also technologists those who make things out of materials. Reflect that in the
	Judaic/Christian account of creation God makes everything from nothing, and that it
	was good.
Wed	Mass 10.00am Pray for those who are engaged in the distilling industries – especially
20	whisky. Pray for those who are challenged by alcohol and develop dependencies, pray
	for those organizations that serve to help and support them. Pray for the AA groups
	that meet here at ASC.
Thurs	Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop, Reformation Martyr 1556
21	Pray for those who raise children on their own – single parents. Pray also for those who
	help and support them in this task – grandparents, neighbours and friends.
	Pray for those who work to change ideologies, behaviours and shift public opinion.
	Those who suffer from discrimination or prejudice because of race
Fri	Mass 10.00am
22	Nearly every job is dependents upon water. Pray that the right use of 'the power of
	water' may positively transform people's lives (World Water Day).
Sat	Pray for those who suffer from Tuberculosis (TB), those who care and nurse, and those
23	who work in TB research. The majority of deaths (95% which equates to about 1.5
	million people) occur in developing countries – pray for more effective health care in
	developing countries.
Sunday	Palm Sunday
24	
	Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent
	your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon
	the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also
	be made partakers of his resurrection
	Early Worship 9.00am Parish Mass 10.15am

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 stephen.c.okeefe@gmail.com and Caroline Davenport c2davbristol@hotmail.com