

# ALL SAINTS NEWS

5<sup>th</sup> February 2023  
3rd Sunday before Lent

## Septuagesima, Sexagesima and Quinquagesima

### The Third Sunday Before Ash Wednesday: Septuagesima Sunday

Septuagesima Sunday is the third Sunday before the start of Lent, which makes it the ninth Sunday before Easter. Traditionally, Septuagesima Sunday marked the beginning of preparations for Lent. Septuagesima and the following two Sundays (Sexagesima, Quinquagesima) were celebrated by name in the traditional Roman Catholic liturgical calendar.

### Where Does the Name Septuagesima Come From?

No one is quite sure why Septuagesima Sunday bears that name. Literally, Septuagesima means "seventieth" in Latin, but it is not 70 days before Easter, but only 63. The most likely explanations are:

- Sundays are not counted as they are each as 'little Easter'
- Septuagesima Sunday and Sexagesima Sunday derived their names from Quinquagesima Sunday, which is 49 days before Easter or 50 if you include Easter), and Quinquagesima means "fiftieth."

### The 'Front Porch of Lent': Easing Into the Lenten Fast

It was common for early Christians to begin the Lenten fast immediately after Septuagesima Sunday. Just as Lent today begins 46 days before Easter, since Sundays are never a day of fasting, so, in the early Church, Saturdays and Thursdays were considered fast-free days. In order to fit in 40 days of fasting before Easter, therefore, the fast had to start two weeks earlier than it does today (Ash Wednesday).

In the celebration of the traditional Mass (starting on Septuagesima Sunday) neither the Alleluia nor Gloria were sung. They do not return until the Easter Vigil when we mark the triumph of Christ over death in His Resurrection.

### The Second Sunday Before Ash Wednesday: Sexagesima Sunday

Sexagesima Sunday is the second Sunday before the start of Lent, which makes it the eighth Sunday before Easter. Traditionally, it was the second of the three Sundays of preparation for Lent.

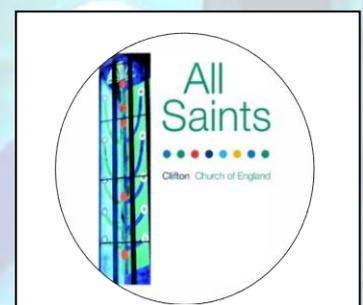
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### **The Last Sunday Before Ash Wednesday: Quinquagesima Sunday**

Quinquagesima Sunday is the final Sunday before the start of Lent, the Sunday before Ash Wednesday, which makes it the seventh Sunday before Easter.

Quinquagesima literally means "fiftieth." It is 49 days before Easter, or 50 if you count Easter itself. Similarly, Pentecost Sunday is said to be 50 days after Easter, but the number is calculated by including Easter in the count.

### **The Fate of Septuagesima, Sexagesima, and Quinquagesima Sundays**

When the Roman Catholic liturgical calendar was revised in 1969, the three pre-Lenten Sundays were removed; they are now denominated simply as Sundays in Ordinary Time. Within the Anglican Communion most provinces adopted this change at the same time. However, those churches that maintain the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) continue to recognise and observe these three Sundays.

## **All Saints Trip to Totterdown Mosque**



We have an excellent invitation from brothers and sisters at Totterdown Mosque. The purpose will be to learn a little more, meet the Imam and join in prayer. I think there will be places for about 20 of us for the trip and there will be a dress code (including head covering for woman).

Please sign up on the notice under the Tower if you would like to come to this event. More details for this trip coming later.

### **Saturday 11 March 2023**

12 noon	Tour of Mosque Followed by talk about Islam and the Mosque
1.15pm	Prayers in Mosque Followed by refreshments
2.00pm	Finish visit

**Ordination and Consecration of  
Rt Revd Dr Martin Gainsborough, Bishop of Kingston  
Rt Revd Dr Robert Munro, Bishop of Ebbsfleet  
Rt Revd Dr Jane Mainwaring, Bishop of Hertford**

**2 February 2023**



(Part of the) Bristol Support Team!



Southwark Diocesan Team with Bishop Martin

*God, eternal shepherd, you tend your Church in many ways and rule us with love. You have chosen your servants to be shepherds of your flock. Give them a spirit of courage and right judgment, a spirit of knowledge and love. May they build your Church as a sign of salvation for the world.*

**Extra special Walk at Severn Beach,**  
**Saturday February 11<sup>th</sup> !**



Our **11<sup>th</sup> February** walk is with Clifton Down Community Association (CDCA). It will be led by expert Steve England - [www.steveengland.co.uk](http://www.steveengland.co.uk)  
There are always lots of interesting things at Severn Beach in terms of wildlife, geology, local history etc.

We will go to Severn Beach on the 11am train from Clifton Down.  
**Please be on the Severn Beach platform for 10.50.**

CDCA will pay Steve but we are ask that people pay their own train fare (approximately £2).

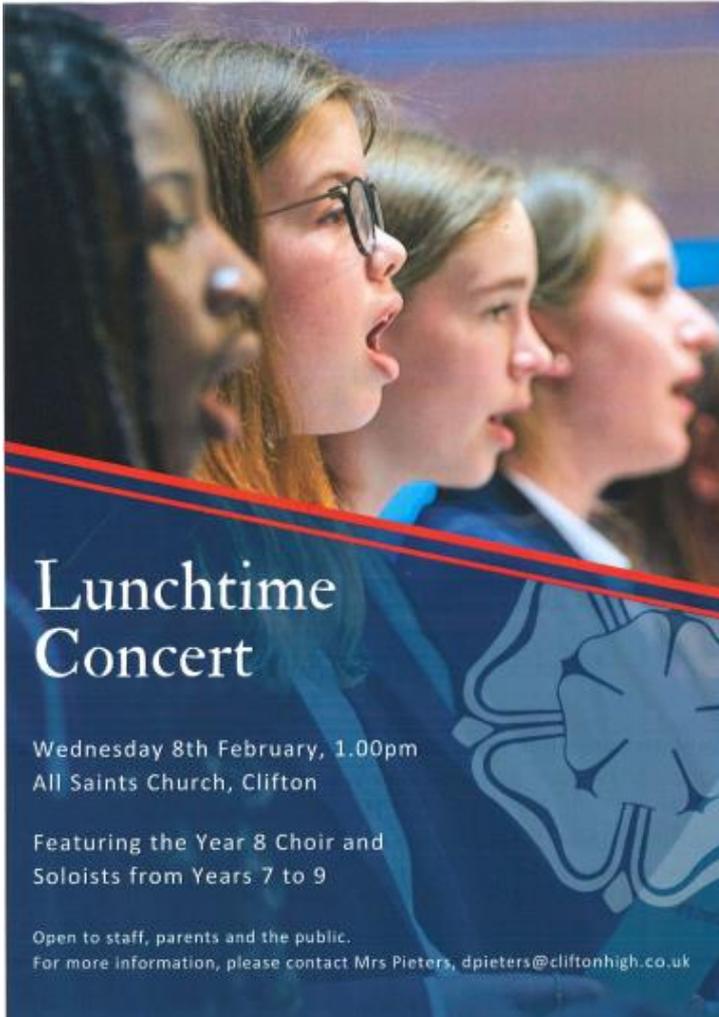
The walk is planned to last around 4 hours but there are return trains each hour.

The walk will be mostly on the flat, but do have appropriate footwear and bring snacks / refreshments.

It would be helpful (but not crucial) to have potential numbers.  
Of course, you would be most welcome to just turn up on the day.

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**WALKS FOR EVERYONE** are on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month.



Please support the young musicians from Clifton High School at their lunch time concert at 1.00pm on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February.

## **Let's do Lunch ! All Saints Parish lunch**

The next Parish Lunch will be on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2023 .  
Time 12:30

Cost £6 or £12 for a family ticket for 3 courses.  
Vegetarian or gluten-free options available  
with prior notification.

Tickets available from Parish Office or in the Atrium after Mass



Bristol WNO Friends warmly invite you to The Apostle Room, Clifton Cathedral (Worcester Road entrance). **Visitors always most welcome.**

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2023**      **From Travail to Triumph – Wagner’s first three operas**

Using many intriguing musical examples, **David Martin** illustrates three little known works while recounting the amazingly adventurous early life of Richard Wagner.

6.45 for 7.15 pm    Refreshments available    Easy parking

WNO Friends £8    Visitors £10

Further information from Melanie David

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*Thank you!*

for all your contributions to the Food Point.

Every single item is going to those people who are struggling to feed themselves and their families



Rt Revd Vivienne Faull , Bishop of Bristol will lead a service of confirmation on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> of February 2023.

The service will be followed by a bring and share buffet in the Atrium.

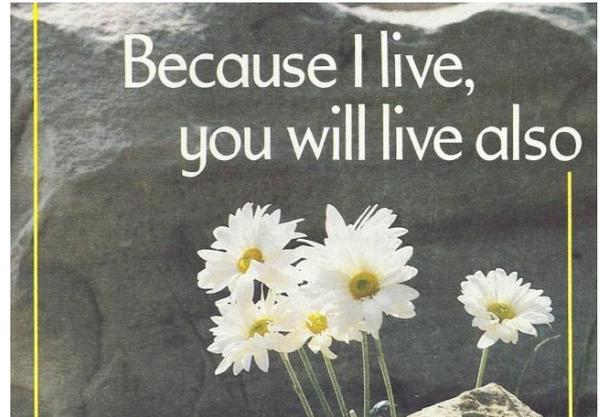
If you would like to contribute towards the buffet please look out for the list in the church porch

## 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, Jean Callow, Joyce Shepherd, Cynthia Ashford Sarah Bradley Sue Hilliar Steve Cooper Ruth Marson Valerie Donkin Alexander and his family Ryan Lindsey

### **Monday**

**Tuesday.** Diana Verity

**Wednesday** , Katrina and Katherine King, Philip Miles, Samantha Tucker, Hugh Farry, Ros Hawkins

### **Thursday**

**Friday** Charlotte Hopkins, Andy & Gina Ford, Elisabeth Morgan, Caroline Semon

### **Saturday**

## The Departed

Drusilla Esam Peter Butterfield Molly Sharpley James Johnson-Brown  
Jane Selby Rio Fisher Audrey Huntley Graham Llewelin Tanner Rosemary Beeho

## Years' Minds - this week we remember.

Ruth Sutton Malcolm Bentley Alison Watson Colin Turnbull Dick Meredith- Jones (Pr)  
John Trelawney- Ross John Bounds Patricia Spry

# ALL SAINTS PRAYERS

Mon 6	<b>Martyrs of Japan 1597</b> Persecuted Christians through world – from the 26 crucified in Japan in 1597, those massacred in India (Orissa) in 2008, those now in Africa and Middle East.
Tue 7	We pray for all who work to halt human trafficking and slavery. We pray for those who are trapped in slavery now – in 2019 within the UK there are estimated to be over 10,000 victims. Pray also for the work of and members of Deanery Synod
Wed 8	<b>Mass 10.00am</b> Pray for the work of the Llangasty Retreat House and all who use this wonderful place in such a splendid location. Remember in our prayers all Retreat Houses and places that offer space for people to reflect and renew.
Thurs 9	Pray for dentists and dental hygienists; our university school of Oral and Dental Science - staff and students. Our dentists and those suffering from oral/dental disease and pain.
Fri 10	<b>Mass 10.00am</b> Wardrobe Day. What's in your wardrobe that could easily go out to either clothe others or provide income for charity retail outlets? Pray for those whose level of income is such that they have to choose between being warm and eating, or even who it is that can eat....
Sat 11	Give thanks for good neighbours; remember our neighbours and those who live in our immediate community. Pray that we may be good neighbours – keeping an eye of care out for those who live around us.
<b>Sunday 12</b>	<b>Two before Lent</b>  Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.  <b>Early Worship 9.00am</b> <b>Parish Mass 10.30</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

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