

St. Luke's & St. John's

Proclaiming Christ in Devon

Dearest friends,

As we approach the feast day of St. Boniface (June 5), I would like you to reflect on his inspiring life and how his example can guide us in living a good Christian life (as so many of the saints do).

Born around 675 in Wessex, England, Boniface dedicated his life to spreading the Gospel, earning the title "Apostle to the Germans." His courage, faith, and missionary zeal offer huge lessons for us today.

Saint Boniface's unwavering commitment to Christ teaches us the importance of boldness in faith. He fearlessly shared the Good News, even in hostile lands, reminding us to proclaim our beliefs with love and conviction, whether through words or actions.

His life encourages us to step out of our comfort zones, sharing God's love with those around us, from neighbours to strangers, or to those who have perhaps walked away from church.

Boniface also exemplified humility and obedience. As a monk, priest, and later bishop, he submitted to God's will, trusting in divine guidance.

We, too, are called to listen for God's voice in prayer and Scripture, trying to align our lives with His purpose.

His perseverance, even in the face of martyrdom in 754, inspires us to remain steadfast in trials, trusting that God's grace sustains us.

This week, let's emulate St. Boniface by living with purpose and charity.

May we, like him, root our lives in Christ, serving others with compassion and courage.



Join us for a special service on his feast day to celebrate his legacy and renew our commitment to a vibrant Christian life in the guild chapel at St. John's.

Fr. Matthew

Notices

Cheese & Wine

On Friday (30th) we gather for an evening of fine cheese, finer wine, and even finer 'home grown' entertainment! Join us

at 7pm at St. Luke's for a lovely evening of fellowship.

BCP Choir

The Newton Abbot Parishes and St. John's are uniting to build a new evensong choir. Our first rehearsal will be on the 19th June and the 3rd Thursday of every month thereafter at 7pm in St. John's. We'll start with a very simple setting that we can then sing on the Sunday (22nd June) and then start to practice simple Anthems and so forth.

Church Cleaning

Please come along to St. John's on Monday 2nd June to help with a general clean and spruce up as we move from Eastertide into Ordinary Time. It's a great opportunity to have an early summer clean, a good natter, and I'm sure a good choice of biscuits!

Pentecost Walk

On Saturday 7th June, the day before Pentecost - we'll be walking around all of the 6 churches in our benefice, pausing to pray in each one and at key points along the way. We'll be starting at St Luke's at 10 a.m. Then walking to St Paul's, St Mary's, St Bart's, All Saints and ending at Abbotsbury around lunchtime.

Today

Sunday 1st June

7th Sunday of Easter ●

9:15am - Sung Parish Mass [SJ]
 11am - Concelebrated Sung Parish Mass [SL]
*Divine Office Psalter Week 3, C(I),
 Easter 7, Sunday after Ascension Day 6*

Upcoming Dates

May

30th - Cheese & Wine Evening, 7pm [SL]

June

2nd - Church Cleaning at St. John's
 4th - St. Luke's Ladies Group, 2pm [SL]
 PCC Meeting, 6pm [SL]
 7th - Newton Abbot Team Benefice Walk, 10am [SL]
 8th - St. Luke's Parish Lunch
 Pentecost Cream Team & Evensong, 3pm
 15th - Evensong, 6pm [SJ]
 19th - BCP Evensong Choir Rehearsal, 7pm [SJ]
 21st - Table Top Sale, 10am - 12pm [SJ]
 Parish Outing to Truro
 29th - Joint Mass, 10am, followed by
 Bring & Share meal [SL]
 Evensong, 5pm [SJ]

Regina Coeli

℟. Joy to thee O Queen of heaven, alleluia.
 He whom thou wast meet to bear, alleluia.
 As he promised, hath arisen, alleluia.
 Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia.

℣. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
 ℟. For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Let us pray...

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The week ahead:

Monday 2nd June

Monday of the 7th week of Eastertide ●
 [prayers offered at home, Fr. Matthew's rest day]
Prayer focus: Our Clergy

Tuesday 3rd June

Saints Charles Lwanga and his Companions, Martyrs ●
 9:15am - Morning Prayer [SJ]
 10am - Said Mass [SJ]

Prayer focus: The Parish of St. Luke's

Wednesday 4th June

Wednesday of the 7th week of Eastertide ●
 10am - Said Mass [SL]
Prayer focus: The Parish of St. John's

Thursday 5th June

Saint Boniface, Bishop, Martyr ●
 10am - Said Mass [SJ]
Prayer focus: The Mission of St. Luke's and St. John's

Friday 6th June

Friday of the 7th week of Eastertide ●
 10am - Said Mass [SL]
Prayer focus: Children in hospital

Saturday 7th June

Saturday of the 7th week of Eastertide ●
 Benefice prayer walk, starting at St. Luke's, 10am
Prayer focus: All Families

Sunday 8th June

Pentecost ●
 9:15am - Sung Parish Mass [SJ]
 11am - Concelebrated Sung Parish Mass [SL]
 12:30pm - Parish Lunch [SL]
*Divine Office Psalter Week 2, C(I),
 Sunday after Ascension, Pentecost*

[SJ] St. John's | [SL] St. Luke's | [WH] Wickham Hall

Please pray for:

Vernon, Re, Leo, Lydia, Viv and Linda, Rosemary, Diana,
 Phil and Jean, Alan, Marilyn, Roy, Anne-Marie, Simon,
 Liz, Melville and Jean, David, Kathryn, Jenny, Eileen.

Pray for the souls of:

For all those whose anniversary of death falls this week.