

# Summer Term Planning Meeting

(2025)

We started the meeting by asking each person to answer this question:

‘What is the one thing you’d like to see over the Summer Term?’

✓ = Multiple people said this, tick indicates how many

- Old Fashioned Summer Fete ✓✓✓✓✓✓✓
- Bring & Share Meal at SJ (after a service) ✓
- Summer BBQ at SJ
- Something in place of the Wednesday mass during August ✓
- Summer musical evening / last night of the proms ✓✓✓✓
- Something for Children
- Summer Messy Church
- Quiz
- Parish Outing ✓✓
- Cream Tea ✓✓
- Curry Evening
- Flower Competition

What else could we do? What of the ideas mentioned above could we offer?

- Summer Fete at SL - 16th August, opening at Midday so SJ can join after Table Top Sale, committee to be formed to organise, committee will also discuss a Christmas Fayre and set date.
- Last Night of the Proms Concert - Fr. M to approach local orchestras (in preference to a brass band)
- Quiz - 24th May, 7pm Matthew Tremlett (MT) to organise, Angela to cook curry
- Parish Outing - to Truro on the train, booking in the next two weeks, ML & Fr. M to book. 21st June
- Pentecost Cream Tea - Angela to organise, 8th June. Cream Tea 3pm, Evening Prayer to follow at 5pm
- SJ Summer BBQ - 31st August, 1pm - 5pm. SJ to organise
- Bring and Share at SL after joint 5th Sunday Mass, 29th June
- St. Catherine's Messy Church (to support the launch of Explorers in September, flyers to be distributed), date TBC, Fr. Matthew
- Bingo Night, Mandy organising, 16th May, 7:30pm
- Cheese & Wine Evening, Graham & Barbara organising, 30th May, 7pm
- No Ladies Group in August
- Coffee & Natter at both churches on Tuesdays & Wednesday in place of midweek mass during August., No mass on Thursday or Fridays. Men's Group will continue to meet on Fridays.

Other things

- Evensong Choir to be formed across the Newton Abbot Team and St. John's.
- Men's Group will offer an Anthem at mass at St. Luke's.
- Leavers services at Haytor View & St. Catherine's.

# Easter Review

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Loved	Would Change
Maundy Thursday joint service ✓✓✓✓✓	Maundy Thursday joint service ✓✓
Good Friday, Walk of Witness ✓	Good Friday, Walk of Witness (too long in NA, didn't happen in Bovey)
Sunday Easter Mass (9:15/11am) ✓✓✓	Stations of the Cross, not on Saturday
Dawn Mass ✓✓✓✓✓✓✓	Lent Lunches, not advertised and/or didn't happen.
Ash Wednesday ✓	Dawn Mass, should be earlier so it's properly dark
	Discuss the Christmas Fayre now, too late in September.
	Easter Sunday Mass (9:15/11am) did not feel any different to a usual Sunday Mass

## Actions & Changes

- Dawn mass will be ½ earlier next year so we start before the pre-dawn light
- Stations of the Cross will happen on Sunday afternoons and end with EP and Benediction. Fr. Matthew will swap between churches each week so Benediction will happen in each church every other week with lay ministers & Dcn David leading the other weeks. This will ensure both churches have Stations every week.
- Whilst some people felt that each church should have its own Maundy Thursday service others were vocal about what a special service it had been. Fr. Matthew feels strongly that one joint service over the Triduum is important and this is the one to do it. We need to improve the liturgy of the receiving church for the Watch, this was an oversight this year and will be fixed for next year.
- There were comments about the the old Easter liturgies in both churches. Fr. Matthew will attempt to identify the ones mentioned (water of life) and see if it's appropriate for them to be re-incorporated. There was a little disagreement about what 'we'd always done'! This is to be expected!

# Draft Calendar of Events, Summer 2025

## May

3rd - Oswestry Regional Festival, St. John's, Torquay, 11am  
7th - St. Luke's Ladies Group, 2pm [SL]  
    PCC Meeting, 6pm [SL]  
11th - St. Luke's Parish Lunch  
16th - Bingo, 7:30pm [SL]  
17th - Table Top Sale, 10am - 12pm [SJ]  
18th - Evensong, 6pm [SJ]  
24th - Rosary Group, 10:30am [SL]  
    Quiz & Curry, 7pm [SL]  
30th - Cheese & Wine Evening, 7pm [SL]

## June

4th - St. Luke's Ladies Group, 2pm [SL]  
    PCC Meeting, 6pm [SL]  
8th - St. Luke's Parish Lunch  
    Pentecost Cream Team & Evensong, 3pm  
15th - Evensong, 6pm [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]

## July

6th - Team Evensong, All Saints, Highweek (TQ12 1QD), 5:30pm  
9th - St. Luke's Ladies Group, 2pm [SL]  
    PCC Meeting, 6pm [SL]  
13th - St. Luke's Parish Lunch  
19th - Table Top Sale, 10am - 12pm [SJ]

## August

10th - St. Luke's Parish Lunch  
16th - Summer Fete [SL]  
17th - Evensong, 6pm [SJ]  
31st - Joint Mass, 10am [SJ]  
    Summer BBQ, 1pm - 5pm [SJ]  
    Evensong, West Ogwell Church (TQ12 6EW), 5:30pm

No Ladies Group in August  
Coffee & Natter, Tuesday [SJ] & Wednesday [SL] 10am  
No midweek mass during August

St. Luke's Men's Group meets every Friday for mass at 10am and discussion afterwards. [SL]