

St. Luke's & St. John's

Proclaiming Christ in Devon

Dearest friends,

Rejoice! What a wonderful Sunday we shared last week. Not only did we experience the love and joy of shared worship in the morning but we also launched our new church, Explorers, in Heathfield.

We were joined by 14 children who visited us from across Newton Abbot and Bovey Tracey.

We started with learning about Creation and the very beginnings of our life and universe before singing that great hymn 'My God is So Big!' complete with actions. We even managed to get the grown ups involved.

We made a wonderful collection of crafts with things for the children to take home and remind them of the love that God has for us and shows us through His creation.

If this is a taste of things to come we're very fortunate indeed. Explorers, combined with Evensong are two areas of growth for us - they've both called new people to our communities and I pray they continue to grow and encourage. We'll be looking at how we can better advertise both of those services in the new year.

Whilst we're on that subject, don't forget that next week

+Paul is with us. He'll be celebrating St. Luke's Patronal Festival and joining us for the bring and share meal afterwards; then he'll lead Evensong before spending time with us as we look to the future of the two parishes.

The archdeacon will be joining us as will Fr. Robin. There's lots to talk about and lots to dream about. Let's do that together and see what we can do to make those dreams happen.

We meet at 4pm in St. John's for Evensong before moving to Wickham Hall for the rest of the evening.

If you'd like to join our new Evensong Choir there is rehearsal at 7pm on the 16th (Thursday) ahead of our service with +Paul. If you've never sung before and you'd like to have a go... here's your chance! We have the amazing



Wensleigh and Jackie alongside Stephen Cox who will help guide you and mould you into a beautiful choir.

With all my love,

Fr. Matthew

Notices

Bingo

Don't miss out on Bingo at St. Luke's on Friday (5th) evening! We start at 7pm, don't be late!

Choice Words

Come visit Choice Words, the largest second-hand Christian bookshop in the southwest! We are open 9.30am-4.30pm Monday through to Saturday. You can find us at 71 Queen St. Newton Abbot, or call us on 01626 334 027, or email us at, shop@choicewords.co.uk

Upcoming Events

Harvest Festival at St. Luke's this week, followed by a bring and share lunch.

19th October
Future of the Parishes Meeting
with +Paul, WH, 4pm

Today

Sunday 12th October

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time ●

9am - Sung Parish Mass [SJ]

11:15am - Sung Parish Mass (Harvest Festival) [SL]

12pm - Parish Lunch [SL]

Divine Office Psalter Week 4, C(I), Trinity 17, Proper 23

Upcoming Dates

October

10th - Bingo [SL], 7pm

12th - St. Luke's Harvest Festival

St. Luke's Parish Lunch

18th - Table Top Sale, 10am [WH]

19th - St. Luke's Patronal Feast

Mission Planning with +Paul, 4pm, Wickham Hall

24th - Last Night of the Proms Concert, St. Luke's, 7pm

26th - Harvest Festival, St. John's, Bring and Share Brunch

November

2nd - Explorers [SC]

15th - Table Top Sale, 10am [WH]

Quiz Night with Fish & Chips, St. Luke's, 7pm

22nd - Christmas Lights Turn On, stalls at both events

27th - Advent Course, 1st lecture, 7pm, [WH]

30th - Advent Carols by Candlelight, 6pm [SL]

December

13th - Bay Brass Band Concert, 7pm [SL]

14th - Explorers & Christingle, 3-5pm [SC]

20th - 9 Lessons & Carols, 6pm, both churches

21st - Christingle & Crib Service, 3-5pm [SL]

24th - Live Nativity, 4pm [SJ]

Midnight Mass, 8pm [SJ]

Midnight Mass, 11:30pm [SL]

25th - Christmas Day Mass, 10am [SL & SJ]

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

Table Top Sale at Wickham Hall every 3rd Saturday at 10am.

St. Luke's Women's Group meets first Wednesday of every month.

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Fr Alan White and Deacon David Rogers

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The week ahead:

Monday 13th October

Monday of the 27th week in Ordinary Time ●

[prayers offered at home]

Prayer focus: Our Clergy

Tuesday 14th October

Our Lady of the Rosary ●

10am - Mattins

Prayer focus: The Parish of St. Luke's

Wednesday 15th October

Wednesday of the 27th week in Ordinary Time ●

10am - Mattins

Prayer focus: The Parish of St. John's

Thursday 16th October

Saint John Henry Newman, Priest ●

[prayers offered at home]

7pm - Choir Practice [SJ]

Prayer focus: The Mission of St. Luke's and St. John's

Friday 17th October

Friday of week 27 in Ordinary Time ●

[prayers offered at home]

Prayer focus: Children in hospital

Saturday 18th October

Saturday of week 27 in Ordinary Time ●

[prayers offered at home]

10am - Table Top Sale [WH]

Prayer focus: All Families

Sunday 19th October

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time ●

9am - Sung Parish Mass [SJ]

11:15am - Patronal Festival [SL]

Followed by bring and share lunch [SL]

4pm - Evensong [SJ]

Mission Planning with +Paul

Divine Office Psalter Week 1, C(I), Trinity 18, Proper 24

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

[SC] St. Catherine's School

Please pray for:

Peter Thompson, Steve Jefferson, Eileen Steinor, Bryan, Glad & Stan, Carol & Sophie, Pam, Sue King, Marilyn, Arthur Pengelly, Jennifer Benney, Viv & Lyn, Bob, David, Cliff and all those who have asked for our prayers.

Pray for the souls of:

Russell Bennett and all those whose anniversary of death falls this week.