

St. Luke's & St. John's

Proclaiming Christ in Devon

Dearest friends,

When we think of Jesus as King I often wonder if we are missing a great deal of His teaching.

Jesus told us time and time again that He wasn't the King that the Jewish people were expecting – coming with horses and chariots to free them from the rule of the Romans.

He entered Jerusalem in triumph on Palm Sunday not with horses and chariots – but on the back of a donkey.

So why then do we enthrone Him on this very special Sunday? Why do we show him upon a throne, decked out in regal attire and ruling over us as an earthly King?

The point of this elevation is to highlight Jesus as 'Christ' which in itself is a royal title meaning 'King' – although of course not in the way that the secular world understands (even Pilate misunderstands it when he called Jesus 'King of the Jews').

It is a way of understanding Jesus as King of Heaven and the world to come. He sits enthroned on David's throne (Lk 1:30-32) as promised by the Angel Gabriel.

The feast today marks the end of Ordinary Time, next Sunday we begin Advent and the start

of another liturgical year.

We end Ordinary Time on a high – with a Feast and a celebration of Jesus Kingship – and a reminder of what Jesus commands us to do in scripture.

Jesus commands us to feed the hungry to give drink to the thirsty, to clothe the naked, to harbour the harbourless, to visit the sick, to ransom the captive and to bury the dead.

How will you respond to Jesus command this advent?

Fr. Matthew

In love,

Fr. Matthew

Notices

Advent Carols

Please note the change of time for the Advent Carol service at St. Luke's on the 30th



November. We'll now meet at 3pm, so that those who don't like to drive in the dark can come along.

Clergy Conference

Fr. Matthew is at a required training conference in Walsingham this week (17th - 21st) so there's a knock on for services. Fr. Christopher is covering the midweek mass at St. Luke's and I encourage our St. John's bothers and sisters to attend there instead.

Restoration work for bells

The bells at St. John's will now be restored in the early part of next year.

Choice Words

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Quiz Night

With Fish & Chips! Dcn David is back running his famous Quiz Night at St. Luke's. It's always a fun evening, with challenging questions and lots of conversations. Teams of four people please. 7pm

Today

Sunday 16th November

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ●

9am - Sung Parish Mass [SJ]
 11:15am - Sung Parish Mas [SL]
 6pm - Evensong [SJ]

*Divine Office Psalter Week 1, C(I),
 2 before Advent, Proper 28*

Upcoming Dates

November

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 - Joint Mass, St. Luke's, 11am [SL]
 Advent Carols, 3pm [SL]

December

7th - Explorers & Christingle, 3-5pm [SC]
 13th - Bay Brass Band Concert, 7pm [SL]
 20th - 9 Lessons & Carols, 6pm, both churches
 21st - Christingle & Crib Service, 3-5pm [SL]
 Solemn Evensong with Benediction, 7pm [SJ]
 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.

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

[SC] St. Catherine's School

The week ahead:

Monday 17th November

Saint Hilda of Whitby, Abbess ●
 [prayers offered at home]

Prayer focus: Our Clergy

Tuesday 18th November

Tuesday of week 33 in Ordinary Time ●
 [prayers offered at home]

Prayer focus: The Parish of St. Luke's

Wednesday 19th November

Wednesday of week 33 in Ordinary Time ●
 10am - Said Mass [SL]

Prayer focus: The Parish of St. John's

Thursday 20th November

Thursday of week 32 in Ordinary Time ●
 [prayers offered at home]

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

Friday 21st November

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary ●
 [prayers offered at home]

Prayer focus: Children in hospital

Saturday 22nd November

Saint Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr ●
 [prayers offered at home]

Prayer focus: All Families

Sunday 23rd November

Christ The King ●

9am - Sung Parish Mass [SJ]
 11:15am - Sung Parish Mas [SL]

Psalter Week 2, C(I), Sunday next before Advent

Please pray for:

Roger Rance, Sr Sylvia, Phil and Jean, Rosemary, Malcom Potbury, Simon Stevenette, Alan Randall, Peter Thompson, Steve Jefferies, Eileen Skinner, Bryan, Glad & Stan, Carol & Sophie, Pam, Sue King, Marilyn, Arthur Pengelly, Jennifer Benney, Viv & Lyn, Bob Julian, David, Cliff and all those who have asked for our prayers.

Pray for the souls of:

Colin Hooper, Maureen Fenn, Lilian Moore, Nicola Moyle, Dorothy Jean Fone, Sally Silsby Margaret Wellington, Nicholas Morgan Pritchard, Bethany Kelly Fone, Lady Caroline Courtney, Roy Bridge, Rosemary Carpenter, Magdy, Terry Sharpe and all those whose anniversary of death falls this week.

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