

St. Luke's & St. John's

Proclaiming Christ in Devon

Dearest friends,

Over the last month or so I've been very blessed to be working at Stover School on Thursday afternoons running their Mech Eng' Club over lunch time.

It's 45 minutes of pulling my old Piaggio Ape apart and trying to get it running... However, each and every time we remove something we discover it wasn't quite put on the way it was supposed to be put on. It *kinda* worked, just, but it didn't last terribly long and the moment it wasn't looked after properly... it stopped working.

The brakes seized on (because they were not put on properly). The fuel lines have got clogged (because it wasn't drained when it was left to stand). The coffee machine in the back of the bike wouldn't produce pressure, because the safety valve hadn't been put back in properly.

I think every single mechanical project I've ever been involved with has followed the same pattern. A '5 minute job' quickly becomes an entire summer of work.

Our prayer lives are exactly the same. We can easily bodge something together that *kinda* works. But our prayer lives are part of a bigger engine of faith.

Our spirituality and our relationship with God requires constant maintenance in order to continue to work properly. Bodging a job may work for a while - but if you forget about it - or something goes wrong - you quickly discover it won't get going again. The fuel line of prayer becomes clogged, the rhythm of going to church gets seized to the point you don't go anymore.

So what do you do then? Well, it's much like the brilliant chaps at Stover. We got the Ape running again by working together and bringing our own gifts to the different problems. Church is exactly the same. We all have our own gifts which we can offer to those areas of the church that you can see are struggling.



It doesn't matter if it's the fuel line (coffee?) or if you can see the breaks seized (reading rota?) - offer what you can to help and before you know it... your life of faith will be firing on all cylinders.

In love,

Fr. Matthew

Notices

Bottle Tops

We no longer collect bottle tops at St. Luke's. Please don't bring them in any more.

Table Top Sale

Don't forget the Table Top Sale at Wickham Hall on the 20th. Always a good time and a great place to find some wonderful bits and pieces.

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Fr Alan White and Deacon David Rogers

Lecture - Christian Denominations

Why are there so many different Christian Denominations? What do they all believe? Don't we all just believe the same thing? Why do we disagree? Come to a lecture at St. John's on the 21st June at 4pm to listen to a lecture by Fr. Matthew.

Join us afterwards for a cream tea (5pm), followed by sung evensong at 6pm.

Today

Sunday 14th June

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time ●

9am - Sung Parish Mass [SJ]

11:15am - Sung Parish Mass [SL]

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Sunday 21st June

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time ●

9am - BCP Parish Mass [SJ]

11:15am - Sung Parish Mass [SL]

4pm - Lecture, Christian Denominations [SL]

5pm - Afternoon Tea [SJ]

6pm - Evensong [SJ]

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Upcoming Dates

July

1st - St. Luke's Ladies Group

4th - Parish Outing to Exmouth

5th - Explorers

10th - Evening Lecture - History of the Anglo Catholics in Devon [WH]

18th - Table Top Sale [WH]

Rosary Group (10:30am) [SL]

19th - Joint mass with BBQ [SJ]

23rd - Sending Mass for Fr. Matthew's Pilgrimage, 10am [SJ]

25th - Quiz with Fish & Chips [SL]

26th - NA Benefice Evensong, West Ogwell

Sept

2nd - St. Luke's Ladies Group

5th - Glastonbury Pilgrimage

10th - Winter Term & Christmas Planning Meeting [SL]

11th - Bingo [SL]

13th - Explorers

20th - Lecture, Church Vestments (4pm) [WH]

Afternoon Tea (5pm) [WH]

Evensong (6pm) [SJ]

27th - NA Benefice Evensong, St. Mary's

No Ladies Group in August

No midweek Mass in August

Fr. Matthew on pilgrimage from 24th July to 4th September

Please pray for:

George, Alex, Doug, Ann, Linda, Kathy, Bob, Bill, Mandy, Vicky Pearce, Jean & Phil, Jennifer Benney, and all those who have asked for our prayers.

Pray for the souls of:

All those whose anniversary of death falls in these weeks.

The week ahead:

Monday 15th June

Monday of the week 11 in Ordinary Time ●

[prayers offered at home]

Tuesday 16th June

Tuesday of the week 11 in Ordinary Time ●

9:15am - Morning Prayer [SJ]

10am - Coffee & Chat [SJ]

Wednesday 17th June

Wednesday of the week 11 in Ordinary Time ●

10am - Said Mass [SL]

Thursday 18th June

Thursday of the week 11 in Ordinary Time ●

[prayers offered at home]

Friday 19th June

Friday of the week 11 in Ordinary Time ●

[prayers offered at home]

Saturday 20th June

Saturday of the week 11 in Ordinary Time ●

10am - Table Top Sale [WH]

Monday 22nd June

SS John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs ●

[prayers offered at home]

Tuesday 23rd June

Tuesday of the week 12 in Ordinary Time ●

9:15am - Morning Prayer [SJ]

10am - Said Mass [SJ]

Wednesday 24th June

The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist - Solemnity ●

10am - Sung Mass [SL]

Thursday 25th June

Thursday of the week 12 in Ordinary Time ●

[prayers offered at home]

Friday 26th June

Friday of the week 12 in Ordinary Time ●

[prayers offered at home]

Saturday 27th June

Saturday of the week 12 in Ordinary Time ●

[prayers offered at home]

Sunday 28th June

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time ●

9am - Sung Parish Mass [SJ]

11:15am - Sung Parish Mass [SL]

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