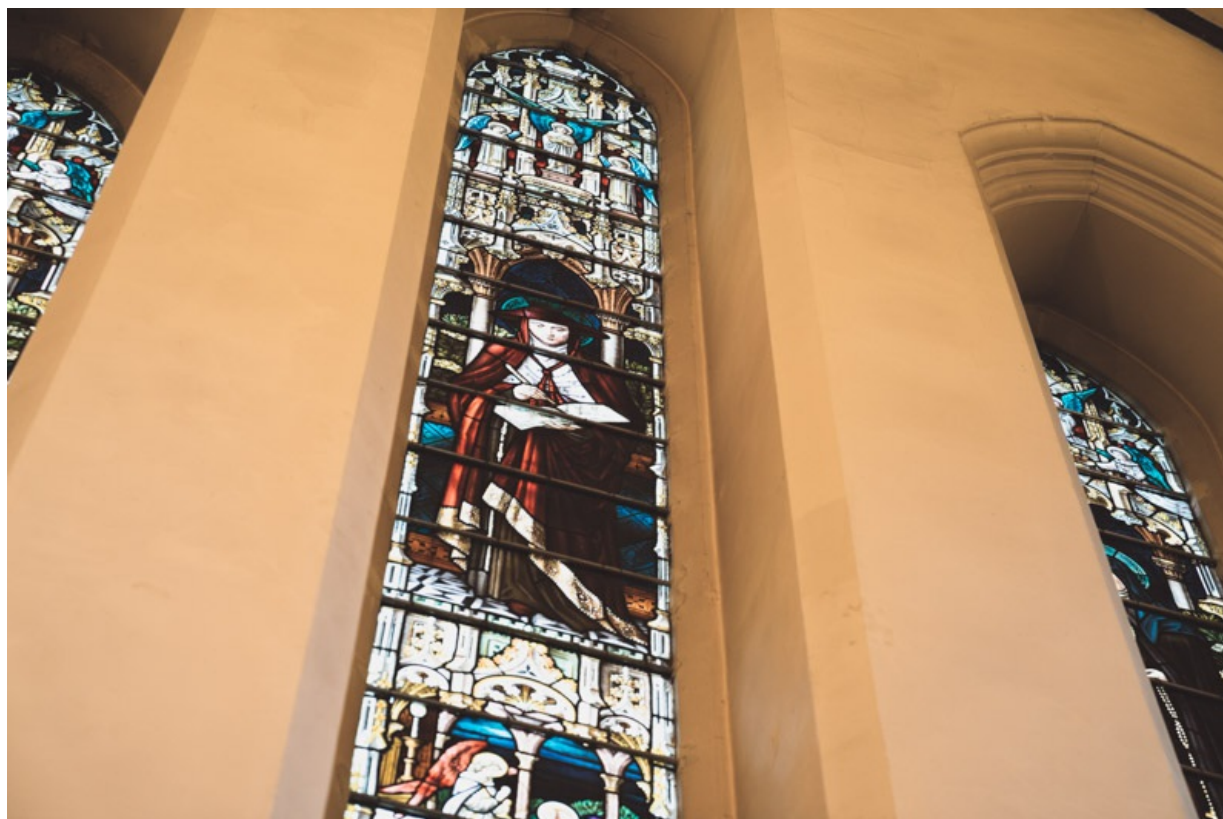


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St Bon's eNewsletter

3rd - 10th June 2018



A Message from Fr Tom

Drum Roll Please.... This is the moment you have all been waiting for! Okay, that might be a bit dramatic, but I know the change of Mass times interests some of you! It has been two months since the vote closed and I am grateful to everyone who participated. About 240 of you responded and it has been really interesting analysing the data. Since the vote, I have consulted with the Parish Finance Council (PFC), the Priests of the Deanery, the Bishop and then the PFC and the Priests of the Deanery again.

The voting for Saturday evening was the easiest to read and we will be moving the Saturday evening Mass from 7.00pm to 6.00pm. The voting was clear and 6.00pm was the overall preferred choice. I am very happy with this as it means those who do not like coming out in the dark Winter months (or when Strictly Come Dancing is on!) will be able to come to Mass during the Winter. Also, it gives an option to parents with younger children to come to Mass in the evening too. This change will come into effect on Saturday 21st July.

[Read full article >](#)

Saint of the Week



Spotlight on St. Bonaventure: Part 1

In the lead up to the Feast Day of St. Bonaventure, we'll discover his life and work:

Born Giovanni de Fidanza in Bagnoregio, in the Lazio region of central Italy, in 1221, he received the name of Bonaventure from St. Francis of Assisi. As a child, St. Bonaventure was cured of a life threatening illness through the prayers of St. Francis of Assisi who cried out: "O Buona Ventura" which means good fortune.

At the age of 22, St. Bonaventure entered the Franciscan Order. After making his vows, he was sent to Paris to complete his studies under the celebrated doctor Alexander of Hales. He is known as the Doctor of the Church and the Patron Saint of Bowel & Intestinal Trouble.

Picture of the Week



The beautiful Catholic Church of St. Bonaventure's in Philadelphia, USA. Built in 1894 and unfortunately demolished in 2013 after falling into disrepair.

Tweet of the Week



Pope Francis

@Pontifex

Following



The Gospel calls us to live outside our comfort zone, because anyone who follows Jesus, loves the poor and the lowly.

4:30 am - 26 May 2018

11,078 Retweets 46,790 Likes



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YEAR OF MISSION

CORPUS CHRISTI

This week's celebration of the gift of the Eucharist reminds us of who and what we are called to be for others – Christ. We come together, Sunday by Sunday, to be reminded that we are made one in Christ through our celebration of the Eucharist, but we come together scattered from the 'corners' of our parish to be gathered and 'put together' as the Body of Christ united with its Head, Christ, so that broken and sent out we might truly be Christ for our world. What we receive in the Eucharist is what we are called to be for our world. Become what you receive! Should that not be our mission each and every week? If we encounter love in the Eucharist, then we must be love through the lives we live. If we encounter mercy and forgiveness, then we must be mercy and forgiveness during the week. Be conscious of being sent out this week at Mass. Let your Thanks be to God be an acceptance of the challenge to be Christ in all you do during the next seven days.



News and Events

PARISH MATTERS

Praying the Rosary: The monthly Parish Rosary Prayer Group will meet on Tuesday 5th June at 2.00pm in the Sitting Room (not the Dining Room) in St Bonaventure's Presbytery. Contact Chris Searle 07771161259. All welcome. Prayer requests most welcome.

Healing Mass: We are delighted to welcome Father Fernando Suarez from the Philippines, who travels with his healing ministry around the globe, to hold a healing Mass at St. Bons on Mon 25th June at 7.00pm. Poster at the back of Church.

Holy Land Pilgrimage: We are planning a pilgrimage to the Holy Land during the February 2019 half term (16th—23rd February 2019). Cost will be approximately £1,500 per person, including flights, accommodation, meals on a half-board basis (breakfast and dinner), a professional English speaking guide, transport in the Holy Land and all entrance fees. If you missed the meeting about this, please email the Parish Office for information booklets and booking forms.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration: Could you give up one hour a week to be a part of this terrific experience? We have two slots on a Tuesday evening which need cover. They are 7.00-8.00pm and 9.00-10.00pm. It is a time to pray, reflect and become closer to God. Please contact Ray Gunning on 07792892839 or thegunnings@blueyonder.co.uk. It will change your life!

Social Media Pages: Keep up to date with all the St. Bons Church news on our social media pages on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram - details on the front page.

OUR COMMUNITY

Vacancy: Finance Administration Officer role for the Congregation of La Retraite in Redland. The closing date is 4th June 2018. Please contact laretraite@btconnect.com for details.

Open Gardens - 2 dates:

- Sunday 3rd June from 2-5.30 pm. Rod and Sue Jones are opening their garden at 16 Montroy Close, Henleaze, BS9 4RS again this year. Adults £3.50, children free, with teas and plants for sale. All proceeds to the National Garden Scheme's cancer and hospice

charities.

- Sunday 10th June 2-5.00pm. Money raised will go to CAFOD, the visitors play facilities at Horfield Prison, and plants for the Bishopston Library. We need volunteers to make cakes and serve the teas to be served at St. Bons, please contact Hilary Farey by e-mail hilary@farey.org or phone 9409725. The car park is available for visitors to the Open Gardens.

OTHER NEWS

Corpus Christi Procession: Sunday 3rd June at St Benedict's Parish, Stratton-on-the-Fosse. Beginning with Solemn Vespers at 3.00pm and process to the Abbey Church for Benediction.

Live Simply Thought for the Week: Cycling does wonders for your health and fitness, keeps your weight down, saves money, beats traffic jams and helps the environment. Bristol has lots of new cycle routes - see www.betterbybike.info for details, and <https://bristol.cyclestreets.net/> for route planning. Modern bikes have lots of gears to make inclines easier, and there are even electrically-assisted bikes for those who are faint-hearted on Bristol's many hills!

Healing Mass in Honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus: The Heart of Jesus was pierced by the soldier's lance while His dead body hung upon the Cross. Blood and water flowed onto the dry dead earth - and from this Sacred Wound healing love has flowed into the world. This is the feast of the humanity of God and the divinity of humanity! Let us bring our wounded lives, our wounded memories, our wounded world torn with such brutality, to the flowing Blood and Water to be healed and set free! Come and bring your friends and all for whom you carry in your heart to this Healing Mass at St Nicholas of Tolentino Church, Lawford's Gate, Bristol BS5 0RE on Friday 8th June at 7.30pm (plenty of car parking at the Dunstan Centre, Pennywell Road, behind the church).

Mass Times

Sunday 3rd June

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

9.30am Mass

7.00pm Mass

Monday 4th June

Weekday in Ordinary Time

9.00am Morning Prayer

9.15am Mass *James Robb R.I.P.*

Tuesday 5th June

Memorial of St. Boniface, Bishop

9.00am Morning Prayer

9.15am Mass

Wednesday 6th June

Weekday in Ordinary Time

9.00am Morning Prayer

9.15am Mass

9:45am Holy Hour

Thursday 7th June

Weekday in Ordinary Time

No Mass

Friday 8th June

Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

7.00pm Mass *Felicidad Munio R.I.P.*

7.30pm Holy Hour

Saturday 9th June

Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

7.00pm Mass *Ines Bramble R.I.P.*

Confession

Saturday 6.00pm - 6.40pm

Eucharistic Exposition

Monday 10.00am - Wednesday 12.00am

Wednesday 9.45am - 10.45am

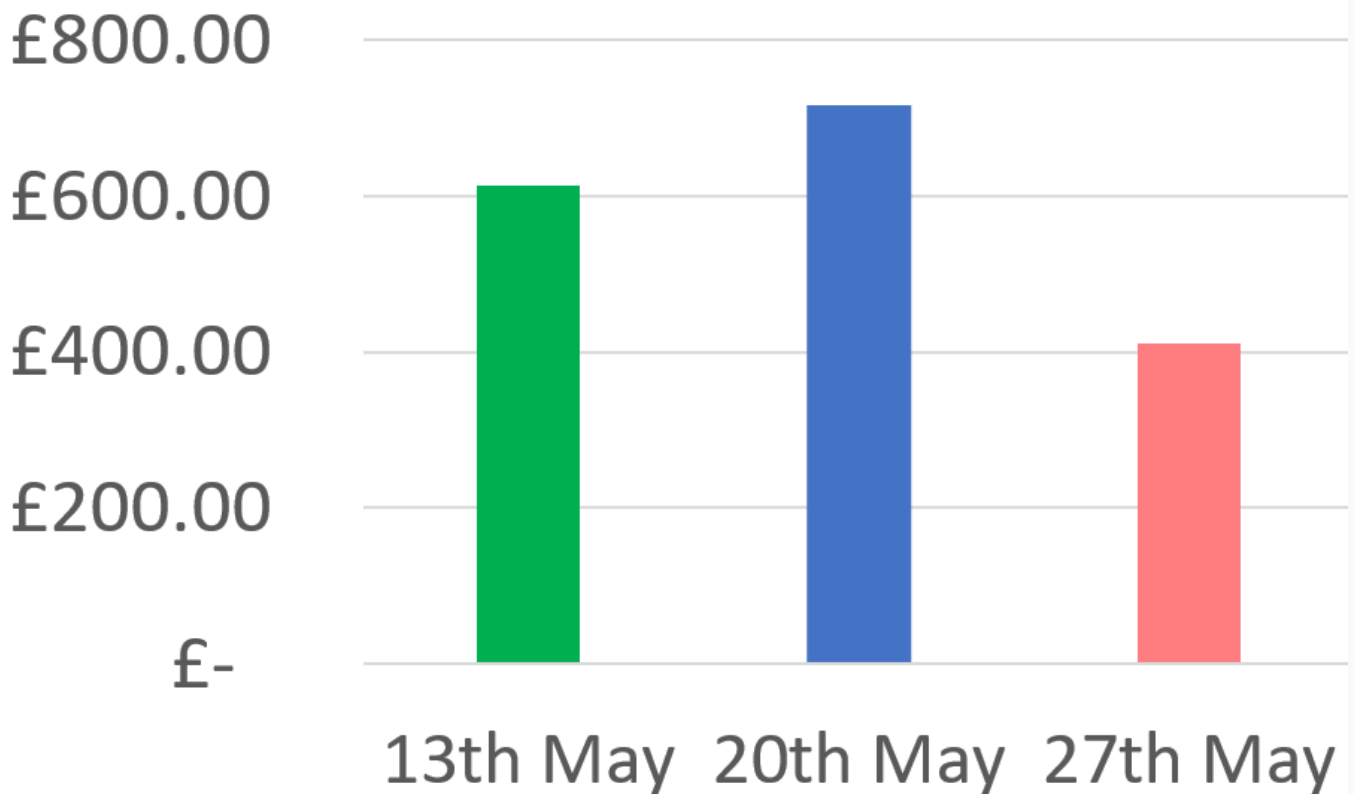
Friday 7.30pm - 8.30pm

Saturday 6.00pm - 6.40pm

Please Pray For:

As a result of the new General Data Protection Regulations coming into force on 25th May, we have been advised by the Diocese that we cannot publish the names of those who are sick without their consent. We appreciate that obtaining consent may not be possible for those that are very unwell. However, if you would like to be named in the Newsletter, we will need you to either email or telephone the Parish Office to give your consent so that such consent can be recorded. Please rest assured that we shall continue to pray for all that are ill or housebound whether or not their names are published.

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