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#### DEACON SHAUN MORRISON'S WEEKLY BULLETIN

### Sunday, 01 June 2025

Dear Friends, I hope this email finds you well. I am sorry that the email is late this week -It has been a busy week!

### Today is the Seventh Sunday of Easter.

"I will not leave you as orphans, says the Lord. I am going away and I will come to you, and your hearts will rejoice"

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With personal apologies from me there will be no live stream of the 11.30 Mass today.

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# Confirmation - Monday 2nd June at 7pm in Holy Family Church.

Bishop Peter will be here tomorrow (Monday) to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Mass will be at 7pm in Holy Family Church and everyone is encouraged to be present to support our people as they complete their Christian Initiation. There will be a reception after Mass with the opportunity to meet the Bishop.



### **Today is also World Communications Day.**

From the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales:

The theme for this year's World Day of Social Communications, chosen by the late Pope Francis, is 'Share with gentleness the hope that is in your hearts'.

For the Catholic News podcast, the production team spoke to our Media Bishop, the Rt Revd John Arnold, to discuss the final Communications Day message of Pope Francis's pontificate and how Pope Leo XIV has picked up where his predecessor left off to speak positively about the need to build bridges with our words. You can listen to the podcast by clicking into the following link:

Bishop John Arnold: Communicating using language that encourages hope and peace

## **A prayer for World Communications day:** O God.

whose word is truth and in whose light we see light, guide those who tell the story of our times through word and image. Make them seekers after truth

and advocates of human dignity.
Grant discernment to all who rely on their labours.

and, as we confront the pain and promise of this world,

awaken in us a sense of wonder at your presence

and of longing for your peace.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God for ever and ever.

Amen

# From the Office of Readings for Eastertide: week 7: Sunday

A reading from the homilies of St. Gregory of Nyssa on the Song of Songs.

The glory which you have given me, I have given to them

When love has entirely cast out fear, and fear has been transformed into love, then the unity brought us by our saviour will be fully realised, for all men will be united with one another through their union with the one supreme Good. They will possess the perfection ascribed to the dove, according to our interpretation of the text: *One alone is my dove, my perfect one. She is the only child of her mother, her chosen one.* 

Our Lord's words in the gospel bring out the meaning of this text more clearly. After having conferred all power on his disciples by his blessing, he obtained many other gifts for them by his prayer to the Father. Among these was included the greatest gift of all, which was that they were no longer to be divided in their judgement of what was right and good, for they were all to be united to the one supreme Good. As the Apostle says, they were to be bound together with the bonds of peace in the unity that comes from the Holy Spirit. They were to be made one body and one spirit by the one hope to which they were all called. We shall do better, however, to quote the sacred words of the gospel itself. I pray, the Lord says, that they all may be one; that as you, Father, are in me and I am in you, so they also may be one in us.

Now the bond that creates this unity is glory. That the Holy Spirit is called glory no one can deny if he thinks carefully about the Lord's words: The glory you gave to me, I have given to them. In fact, he gave this glory to his disciples when he said to them: Receive the Holy Spirit. Although he had always possessed it, even before the world existed, he himself received this glory when he put on human nature. Then, when his human nature had been glorified by the Spirit, the glory of the Spirit was passed on to all his kin, beginning with his disciples. This is why he said: The glory you gave to me, I have given to them, so that they may be one as we

are one. With me in them and you in me, I want them to be perfectly one.

Whoever has grown from infancy to manhood and attained to spiritual maturity possesses the mastery over his passions and the purity that makes it possible for him to receive the glory of the Spirit. He is that perfect dove upon whom the eyes of the bridegroom rest when he says: *One alone is my dove, my perfect one.* 

### Responsory

- R. I do not call you servants any longer. Instead, I call you friends, because you have seen all the mighty works I did among you.\* Receive the Holy Spirit, the Advocate, whom the Father will send you, alleluia.
- V. You are my friends if you do what I command you.\* Receive the Holy Spirit, the Advocate, whom the Father will send you, alleluia.

# Tuesday 3rd June is the Memorial of Ss. Charles Lwanga & Companions

Saint Charles Lwanga and his companions (-1885/7)

Many Christians, Catholic and Protestant, were killed by the Ugandan king Mwanga. Some of them were servants in the king's palace or even his personal attendants. Charles Lwanga and his twenty-one companions (the youngest, Kizito, was only 13) were executed for being Christians, for rebuking the king for his debauchery and his murder of an Anglican missionary, for "praying from a book," and for refusing to allow themselves to be ritually sodomised by the king. They died between 1885 and 1887. Most of them were burned alive in a group after being tortured.

Within a year of their deaths, the number of catechumens in the country quadrupled. St Charles Lwanga is the patron of Catholic Action and of black African youth, and the Ugandan martyrs' feast day is a public holiday in Uganda.

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<a href="europe.england.eastanglia/20250603/today.htm">europe.england.eastanglia/20250603/today.htm</a>

# Thursday 5th June is the Memorial of St. Boniface. Bishop and Martyr.

For the first forty years of his life Boniface was known as Wynfrith. He was born in Devon and educated at the monastery at Exeter, and then joined the Benedictine abbey at Nursling, near Southampton. He was a teacher and preacher, but he desired to preach the gospel in a foreign land. In 718, Pope Gregory II commissioned him to do so, at the same time changing his name from Wynfrith to Boniface.

Boniface left England, never to return, and took the gospel to the heathen tribes of Germany, where he had great success. He himself was created Bishop of Mainz, and he founded or restored dioceses in Bavaria, Thuringia, and Franconia. In his later years he worked with King Pepin the Short to reform the Frankish church, and then, over seventy years old, set out to evangelize Friesland (part of modern Holland) where he was set upon and murdered, on 5 June 754.

He is buried at Fulda, near Frankfurt, in the monastery he founded himself, and is honoured as the apostle of Germany.

Saint Boniface is the Principal Patron of the Diocese of Plymouth so today is a Solemnity for them.

https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/stboniface-2/



**On Friday 6th June at 7pm** in Our Lady's Church there is Holy Hour for Vocations.



## Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham Podcast

The YouTube link is:

PODCAST Easter VII - Sharing our Common Life in Christ

The link to our YouTube channel is: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8V030I7usRZiKoTlrwBAKg">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8V030I7usRZiKoTlrwBAKg</a>

And the link to our Parish Website: <a href="https://cpkl.org">https://cpkl.org</a>

Wishing you a Happy month of June! God bless,

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**Deacon Shaun Morrison** 

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