

Welcome

A warm welcome to you today, whether you are joining us in church or online (Zoom, 4pm). In church, please note the following:

- Social distancing must be observed at all times.
- Please wear a surgical mask or an FFP2 / KN95 mask.
- Please disinfect your hands when you come into church. Hand sanitizer is available at the entrance.
- Please ensure you are registered when you enter the building. A list is provided for this. Name, address and either tel. no. or email address are mandatory.
- Please sit at least 2 metres away from others in all directions. People who live together in one household can sit together in one pew.
- Please follow the instructions if you would like to receive Holy Communion, which is in one kind only.
- Please place your donation in the collection plate/basket at the back of church, or donate by bank transfer (account details on the front page).

Evening Prayer and Bible study this week

Evening Prayer and Bible study take place at 6pm to 6.30pm (Evening Prayer) and 6.30pm to 7.30pm (Bible study) this Friday.

Ecumenical pilgrimage this Saturday

All are welcome to join a one-day pilgrimage with the Old Catholic congregation to Echternach, Luxembourg, this Saturday, 4 September. Echternach is famous as the burial place of St Willibrord, who has a special unifying significance for Anglicans and Old Catholics. The day includes a walk in the beautiful Mullerthal (Little Switzerland), an ecumenical service at the Basilica of St Willibrord, and a meal together. Please see Fr Richard for more details and to sign up (by 1 September).

Weekly sheet

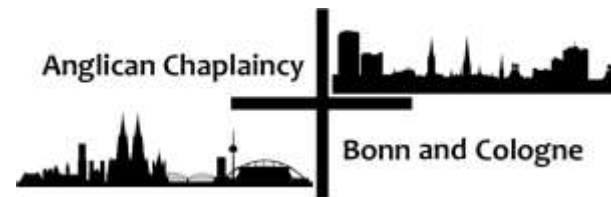
If you have any notices for this weekly sheet, please contact Jenny Knudsen on 0228 94693999 or email: notices@anglicanbonncologne.de. The deadline is 9am on Wednesday for the following Sunday.

Are you new to Bonn or Cologne, or to this church? For up to date information, follow us on Facebook/Twitter and visit our website. To be added to the mailing list, let us have your contact details. Any data you give us will be kept securely by the church authorities and in no case given to any third parties.

Name:

Address and tel. no.:

e-mail:



WELCOME

Welcome to Sunday worship, especially if you are joining us for the first time.

Sunday 29 August 2021 Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

President and preacher:
Revd Richard Gardiner

Collect

Almighty God,
who called your Church to bear witness
that you were in Christ
reconciling the world to yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Old Testament reading –

Deuteronomy 4.1-2,6-9

Moses Commands Obedience

Moses spoke to the people; he said:
¹So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. ²You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you. ⁶You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom

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SUNDAY WORSHIP
9.30am at St. Paulus,
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and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!' ⁷For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? ⁸And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? ⁹But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

Psalm 15

Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle?
Who may rest upon your holy hill?

**Whoever leads an uncorrupt life
and does the thing that is right;**

Who speaks the truth from the heart
and bears no deceit on the tongue;

**Who does no evil to a friend
and pours no scorn on a neighbour;**

In whose sight the wicked are not esteemed,
but who honours those who fear the Lord.

**Whoever has sworn to a neighbour
and never goes back on that word;**

Who does not lend money in hope of gain,
nor takes a bribe against the innocent;

**Whoever does these things
shall never fall.**

New Testament reading – James 1.17-27

Hearing and Doing the Word

¹⁷Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

¹⁹You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. ²¹Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

²²But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. ²³For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; ²⁴for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like.

²⁵But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and

persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act — they will be blessed in their doing.

²⁶If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. ²⁷Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Gospel reading – Mark 7.1-8,14,15,21-23

The Tradition of the Elders

¹When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, ²they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. ³(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; ⁴and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) ⁵So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' ⁶He said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

"This people honours me with their lips,

but their hearts are far from me;

⁷in vain do they worship me,

teaching human precepts as doctrines."

⁸You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.'

¹⁴Then he called the crowd again and said to them, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile. ²¹For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, ²²adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.'

Post Communion prayer

God our creator,

you feed your children with the true manna,

the living bread from heaven:

let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage

until we come to that place

where hunger and thirst are no more;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.