

Today's hymns: 24, 26, 36, 430

Welcome

A warm welcome to you, whether you are joining us in Bonn (9.30am) or Cologne (11.45am). The **St. Boniface Sunday School** meets during the service in Bonn today. In church, please note:

- Please wear a surgical mask or an FFP2 / KN95 mask.
- Please observe social distancing.
- Please follow the instructions if you would like to receive Holy Communion, in either one kind (bread) or two (bread and wine). The body and blood of Christ may be completely received in one kind only. If you wish to receive the wine, please drink from the chalice.
- Please place your donation in the collection basket during the offertory hymn, or donate by bank transfer (account details on the front page).

This week

*Tuesday 29 November, 7.30pm: **Evening Prayer** on Zoom.*
*Friday 2 December, 6pm: **Evening Prayer** followed by **Bible study** (6.30pm to 7.30pm) at All Saints, Cologne.*
*Saturday 3 December, 12-4pm: **Christmas Bazaar** at the Pfarrheim St. Josef, Bonn-Beuel (An St. Josef 19a, 53225 Bonn).*

Looking ahead

*Wednesday 7 December, 7.30pm: **Book Club** meets on Zoom. This month's book is *The Adventure of the Christmas Pudding* by Agatha Christie.*
*Sunday 11 December, 9.30am: **St. Boniface Sunday School** meets.*
*Sunday 18 December, 6pm: **Nine Lessons and Carols** with the Bonn English Singers at All Saints, Cologne.*
*Monday 19 December, 7.30pm: **Nine Lessons and Carols** with the Bonn English Singers at St. Paulus, Bonn.*
*Saturday 24 December, 11.30pm: **Midnight Mass** at All Saints, Cologne.*

Have you moved house in the last year?

This year's donation receipts (*Spendenbescheinigungen*) will be sent out by post in early 2023. If you have moved house in the last year, please send your new address to treasurer Carol Ann Pereira: carol-ann.khatri@t-online.de

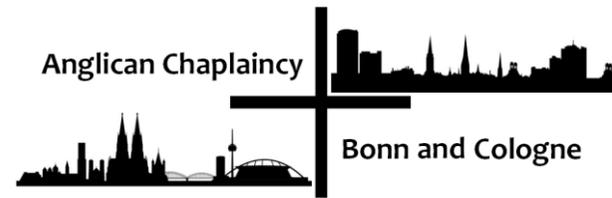
Are you new to Bonn or Cologne, or to this church? For up to date information, follow us on Facebook/Twitter and visit our website. To be added to the mailing list, let us have your contact details. Any data you give us will be kept securely and in no case given to any third parties.

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WELCOME

Welcome to Sunday worship, especially if you are joining us for the first time. Refreshments will be served after the service. We hope you might stay and introduce yourself.

**Sunday 27 November 2022
First Sunday of Advent**

President and preacher:
Revd Richard Gardiner

Collect

Almighty God,
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness
and to put on the armour of light,
now in the time of this mortal life,
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in
great humility;
that on the last day,
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge the living and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Old Testament reading – Isaiah 2.1-5
The Future House of God**

¹The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

²In days to come, the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. ³Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of

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Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. ⁴He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. ⁵O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

Psalm 122

I was glad when they said to me,
'Let us go to the house of the Lord.'

**And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem;**

Jerusalem, built as a city
that is at unity in itself.

**Thither the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord,
as is decreed for Israel,
to give thanks to the name of the Lord.**

For there are set the thrones of judgement,
the thrones of the house of David.

**O pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
'May they prosper who love you.**

'Peace be within your walls
and tranquillity within your palaces.'

**For my kindred and companions' sake,
I will pray that peace be with you.**

For the sake of the house of the Lord our God,
I will seek to do you good.

New Testament reading – Romans 13.11-14 An Urgent Appeal

¹¹Brothers and sisters, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; ¹³let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Gospel reading – Matthew 24.36-44 The Necessity for Watchfulness

Jesus spoke to his disciples: ³⁶About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸For as

in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, ³⁹and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴¹Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴²Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

Post Communion prayer

O Lord our God,
make us watchful and keep us faithful
as we await the coming of your Son our Lord;
that, when he shall appear,
he may not find us sleeping in sin
but active in his service
and joyful in his praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The 2022 Bishop's Advent Appeal is for
Bishop Hannington School, Kenya.

Bishop Robert writes: *In 2020, I launched an appeal to build a classroom for Bishop Hannington School in Mumias, Kenya. I am delighted to say that the classroom was successfully built. My appeal this year is for a toilet block for this same school.*

Back in 2019, the school had just two classrooms with three teachers. Great progress has been made since then with the construction of other classrooms. Because the school is growing, a purpose-built toilet block is now needed. This year's appeal gives us the opportunity to provide an "ablutions block" for the girls and boys, to give them toilets and the possibility of better hygiene while they are at school. This is particularly important for girls. Better hygiene means a better education. Better education will change the children's world.

Our Advent Appeal will therefore be a very tangible expression of support for the Diocese of Mumias's mission to educate primary school children.

For more information on the appeal and how to donate, see:
<https://europe.anglican.org/main/latest-news/post/1865-bishopas-advent-appeal-2022-fund-a-new-toilet-block-for-bishop-hannington-school-kenya>