



## St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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**Week commencing: 3rd July 2016**

**Feast of St Thomas**

### WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

**8.00 am Holy Communion**

**10.00 am Parish Communion**

President: Revd Nicola Hulks

Preacher: Revd Sally Lynch

**3.30 pm Messy Church & Baptism Party**

**6.00 pm Sundays at Six:** Iona Evening Worship at Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green

If you are new to St. Luke's please do make yourself known to the ministers or a member of the Welcome Team, who can give you a contact card to complete. Please do join us after the 10.00am service for coffee, which today is served in the Parish Centre.

#### **You might like to know that...**

... our Baby and Toddler area is at the front with toys and books for restless little people. Do feel free to sit there with your children. For older children we have activity bags so that they can sit with you in the pews, just ask a sidesperson for one.

... we have large print orders of service and hymn books. If you would like one please ask someone wearing a name badge.

... we have a loop system for those using hearing aids.

... the toilets are through the double doors at the front of church.

... if you would like to receive an intincted wafer at communion please let one of the ministry team know before the service and come to the south side of the altar.

... we have many activities going on during the week. For a full list please ask a person with a name badge - or take a Parish Directory from the leaflet trolley.

... we send out a weekly email update. If you would like one please email the Parish Office on [admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk](mailto:admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk)

**Pastoral Care:** If you have or know of any particular pastoral need (visiting, home communion, etc) please speak to our Pastoral Coordinator, Sue Hinchliffe in the first instance (01628 784724).

## The readings for the Feast of St Thomas are:

### A reading from the Letter to the Ephesians

You are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

*Ephesians 2.19-end*



### A reading from the Gospel of John

Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

*John 20. 24-29*

## Collect

Almighty and eternal God,  
who, for the firmer foundation of our  
faith, allowed your holy apostle  
Thomas to doubt the resurrection of  
your Son till word and sight convinced  
him: grant to us, who have not seen,  
that we also may believe and so  
confess Christ as our Lord and our  
God;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.



## Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, the source of truth and  
love, keep us faithful to the  
apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
united in prayer and the breaking of  
bread, and one in joy and simplicity  
of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Yesterday, Today and Forever (Hebrews 13.8) ... our 150th Birthday**

This year St. Luke's celebrates the 150th birthday of the church's founding.

#### **We have a variety of events planned across the year:**

*23rd – 28th August: Arts Project*

*14th – 16th October: Patronal Celebration weekend*

*Tues. 18th October: Celebration Dinner*

**Don't forget you can find key events for the whole year on the  
church website – listed by event and also on the web calendar.**

**There is a hard copy sheet of events by the church door.**

**The floodlighting has not been sponsored this week**



**What's happening...? See below, and check out our website too**  
**[www.stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk](http://www.stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk)**

## **WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY**

**Prayer List:** To add anyone to the prayer list on this pew sheet please notify the office -with permission of the person to be prayed for.

**John's Gospel Mini Series:** The final session will take place at 8pm in the Parish Centre on Wednesday 13th July. All welcome.

**Holy Land pilgrimage:** following the success of our trip to the Holy Land in February I have arranged to lead another group in February 2017 (14th – 23rd). Please ask me for a brochure if you would like one. It would be helpful to get bookings asap. Thank you. Sally

**Quiet Day:** Our next quiet day is on Saturday 16th July at Goosebury Hall Quiet Garden in Epping. The journey is about an hour and we will share cars, arriving for a 10.30 am start and leaving around 4.00pm. Cost is £5 to include a light lunch. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church. If you have not experienced a quiet day why not give this a try?

**Dress when robed:** With the warmer weather upon please can I gently remind all of us who robe to serve or lead worship of the need for formal footwear under robes. Please ensure that you wear dark-coloured, closed-in shoes with robes to avoid a distraction and to be respectful. With thanks. Sally

**Messy Church:** The dates for Messy Church - a time of craft, worship and food - for the remainder of this year are as follows: TODAY - Sunday 3rd July, Saturday 6th August, Friday 23rd September, Sunday 6th November and Saturday 3rd December. All sessions will run from 3.30 pm-5.00 pm.

**Seeking Solace:** Seeking Solace next meets on Monday 4th July from 3.00pm. An opportunity for those who have been bereaved or are in need of company and comfort to share some time together over cake and tea, followed by a short reflection.

**Bible Reading Fellowship:** BRF will meet next on Monday 4th July from 7.15 to discuss the previous months reading. Anyone who takes New Daylight is very welcome to come along. Further information from Sonya or Roger Clarke on 632626.

**Prayer Meeting:** This will take place on Wednesday 6th July from 3.00pm in church. This monthly meeting gives an opportunity to be quietly in God's presence. All are welcome to come along. For further information please contact Sonya on 632626.

## INFORMATION

**Church Care Time:** Many thanks to all who came along on 2nd July (and who do at other times) and helped to keep our church in good shape.

**Re-Ordering:** At its meeting on Tuesday 24th May the PCC voted to send the revised plans to the DAC for its June meeting, with a view to submitting a revised faculty, following DAC advice. The plans had been revised further following responses to the open meeting in April and plans available for viewing at the back of church. The plans are on display on the board at the front of church. We have now had approval of the plans by the DAC, and the revised faculty application has been submitted.

**Rota:** The new rota for Crucifers/Acolytes & Chalice Assistants has been sent out by email. If you have not received it, please let me know. Nicola Buckland.

## 150th BIRTHDAY

**Exhibition:** as stated at the APCM we intend to have a small exhibition of the work of the church at the Flower Festival in June and then a much bigger one in October. If anyone has any items that they think would be good for either please speak to Sally or Dave asap. We promise to take good care of valuable items.

## SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING

**Stich-up for Kori:** On Monday 4th July 2pm-4pm, we will be holding the next Stich-up in the Parish Centre. Come along to knit, stitch, socialise and eat cake! Our regular contributions are making a real difference to this rural area of Sierra Leone (see their Facebook page 'Kori Women's Development Project' for pictures). The blankets are particularly needed for their wet season. Phone Gill Curry on 01628 625196 for more information.

**Garden Party for Kori:** On Wednesday 20th July 2pm-4pm, there will be a garden party held at 6 Medallion Place, in aid of Kori Women's Development Project. All are very welcome to come along and enjoy a cream tea, raffle, plant sale and have a chat. Cost is £5 per person, payable at the door. For more information please see Gill Curry, or call her on 01628 6258196.

**Summer Walks:** All are welcome on any of these summer walks. We plan to have a walk most weeks, but days and times will vary. Please let the Leader know in advance if you expect to come or the walk may not happen. We meet as follows:

*Weds 6 July 7.15pm* White Hart, Moneyrow Green (GR891771). A 3.5m flattish walk via Stud Green and Blackbird Lane.

*Thurs 14 July 2.15pm:* Cookham Moor car park (GR893854). A 2.1m flat walk via Strand Water.

Please share cars if possible and if the weather is wet phone to check that the walk is still on. If you have ideas for local walks (2 to 5 miles) or pubs to base them on, or would like to lead one, please let Roger & Jilly Bevitt (633464) know.

**Beale Park Day Trip:** Friday 19th August. A day out for Sunday Club families and any other congregation members to Beale Park, near Pangbourne. Plenty to keep everyone occupied. If we pre-book (and pre-pay) for a group of at least 15 we can get a discount of almost 50% for park entry: £6.00 per person (under 2s free). If you would like to join us, please give me names and a cheque (payable to St. Luke's PCC) by Sunday July 31st. We will meet at church and share cars. Ann Burdett 631486.

**Social Networks:** We are now regularly updating our Twitter and Facebook pages and would like to grow our network of friends! If you are a Facebook user then you can find us by searching for 'St Luke's Maidenhead' on Facebook. Please like our page and share it to your own timeline to let your friends and family know about us. For the Tweeters, our Twitter account is @stlukesmaid; do come and find us for daily updates!

**St Luke's Relatively Young People:** This group meets every 6 weeks or so for informal fellowship in a Maidenhead pub. If you are at least 18 years of age and interested please e-mail jamesandlouisa.ellins@googlemail.com or talk to James or Louisa Ellins after a service.

**Ladies Breakfast:** This will be taking place on Saturday 30th July, when Clare Price will speak about her work with the Twentieth Century Society. Door open 8.45 am and we end around 10.30 am. Tickets are £5 and are now available.



## **WIDER COMMUNITY**

**Community Meals:** Our Muslim brothers and sisters are marking the month of Ramadan and as in previous years, they will be providing a weekly meal in our Parish Centre as part of their observance of this time. The final of these weekly meals will be on Tuesday 5th July, as the festival of Eid ul Fitr - which marks the end of Ramadan - will be celebrated later this week. All are very welcome.

**Windsor & Maidenhead Community Forum Women's Group:** Ladies of all faiths and none are welcome to the next WAMCF meeting which will be held at Maidenhead Synagogue on Monday 25th July at 7.30pm

**Super Heroes Holiday Club:** The United Reformed Church (in West Street behind M&S) is holding a morning Holiday Club for children aged 5½ to 12 years from 8th-12th August. For more information or to register your child/children please contact URC direct on 01628 635781 or email [administrator@maidenheadurc.org.uk](mailto:administrator@maidenheadurc.org.uk). The cost per child is £3 per day or £10 for the week.

**Christmas Lunch:** Churches Together is looking for a few more organisers to help with their Christmas Day Lunch at SportsAble in Maidenhead. More details can be found on the boards outside the office.

**Royal Berkshire Fire & Rescue Service:** Royal Berkshire Fire & Rescue Service is currently undertaking a public consultation on how they deliver their services and we have been invited to take part. More information on the proposed changes, and an opportunity to provide online feedback can be found at [www.rbfrs.co.uk](http://www.rbfrs.co.uk)

## For your prayers



- Nicola as she begins her ministry as an ordained priest and prepares for motherhood
- Our growth in faith in this Trinity Season
- The ministry and mission of this church and our offering of ourselves
- Those caught up in the European refugee crisis
- Those affected by the terrorist attack in Istanbul
- Our nation - and our European neighbours - following the referendum
- Our plans to re-order the church, for funding and wisdom in the plans and practical work
- Tony & Natasha, married here yesterday
- Darryl & Jane Brudenall as they celebrate their first wedding anniversary
- Those married here recently and those to be married this year
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in July: Zoey Nash, Maerose Lambert, Gethin Cox, Rosa MacLeod, Carla MacLeod, Philippa Warwick, Holly Jones, Ella Cottrell, Aaliya Tull, Nathan Pearce, Hayden Pearce
- Those who live and/or work in Castle Hill Terrace
- The sick and those who care for them: Nick Morris, Katharine Morris, Ben Francis, Steven Sands, Tim Williams, Chris Sawyers, John Francis, Sheila Tallert, Marian Brooks, Vivienne Holland
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them



## Next Sunday, 10th July

**8.00 am Holy Communion**

**10.00 am Parish Communion**

President: Revd Nicola Hulks

Preacher: Revd Terrie Robinson

**6.00 pm Sundays at Six: Evensong & Benediction at  
All Saints**

### Next week's readings at 10am:

*Colossians 1. 1-14 Luke 10. 25-37*

### Next week's rotas under Duty Warden: Don Luff

**Elements:** Jill & Roger Bevitt

**Chalice:** Roger Bevitt, Roger Clarke

**Readers:** Faith Powley

**Intercessor:** Roger Clarke

**Coffee:** Bridget Morris, Ann Darracott

**Welcomers: 8.00 am:** Joan Harnby

**10.00 am:** Peter Goford, Eileen Goford, Phyllis Sigsworth,  
Ann Burdett, Dorothy Strack-Hankey

### This week at St. Luke's

Everyone is welcome to all of our services and activities

Monday 4rd	2.00 pm	Stitch-Up for Kori
	3.00 pm	Seeking Solace
Tuesday 5th	8.30 am	Morning Prayer
Office 9.30-11	5.30 pm	Community Meal
	7.15 pm	Holy Communion
	8.00 pm	PCC
Wednesday 6th	8.30 am	Morning Prayer
Office 9.30-11	10.00 am	Holy Communion
	3.00 pm	Prayer Meeting
Thursday 7th	8.30 am	Morning Prayer
Office 9.30-11	11.00 am	Friendship Project
	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer
Friday 8th	8.30 am	Morning Prayer
Office 9.30-11	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer
	8.00 pm	Choir Practice
Saturday 9th	9.00 am	Morning Prayer

St. Luke's Church Office is open Tues, Weds, Thurs, Fri, 9.30 am - 11 am

Deadline for entries for this weekly pew sheet is 9.00 am on Tuesdays.

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