



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 4th March 2018

Lent 3

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP



8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Parish Communion

President: Revd Nicola Hulks

Preacher: Sally Lynch

6.00 pm Sundays at Six: Eucharist for St David's Day at All Saints

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 will be served in the fellowship area at the back of church.

You might like to know that...

... our Baby and Toddler area is at the front with quiet toys and books. 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 come to the south side of the altar and indicate to the minister.

... 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 and we will add you to the list.

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 Third Sunday of Lent

A Reading from the Book of Exodus

Then God spoke all these words: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work – you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

Exodus 20. 1-17

A Reading from Corinthians

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.' Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Corinthians 1.18-25

A Reading from the Gospel of John

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money-changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, 'Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a market-place!' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' They then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken. *John 2 . 13-22*

Collect

Almighty God,
whose most dear Son went not up to
joy but first he suffered pain,
and entered not into glory before he
was crucified:
mercifully grant that we, walking in the
way of the cross,
may find it none other than the way of
life and peace;
through Jesus Christ your Son our
Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Merciful Lord,
grant your people grace to with-
stand the temptations
of the world, the flesh and the devil,
and with pure hearts and minds to
follow you, the only God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Today's hymns:

P:	283	Before the throne of God above
G:	sht	Jesus Christ is waiting
O:	448	God of grace and God of glory
HC:	211	We love the place, O God
R:	395	Christ is our cornerstone



The floodlighting has been sponsored this week :

*In thanksgiving for the dedication of the
re-ordered church*



**What's happening...? See below, and check out our website too
www.stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk**

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY

A Year of Mission: The first main activity of our Year of Mission will be from 18th—28th March, when Riding Lights Theatre Company will be resident with us and Roughshod will lead a variety of activities in the churches and in our schools and other places. Roughshod will be visiting our Schools, Care Homes and other places - the open (some ticketed) events are listed below. Do join us for the following events, and invite friends too:-

LAUNCH EVENT SUNDAY 18TH MARCH AT ST LUKE'S

(SUNDAYS AT SIX) 6:00PM - 7:00PM

Evening service with music and hymns and an opportunity to meet the five Roughshod Players with an introduction and sketch.

MESSY CHURCH AT THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Friday 23rd March 3:30PM - 4:45PM with Roughshod Sketch and crafts.

BREAKFAST WITH ROUGHSHOD AT ST LUKE'S

Saturday 24th March- 8:45AM - 10:30AM

Meet Roughshod over our usual excellent breakfast. Ticketed event - £3 - Tickets available from Parish Office or after church.

ROUGHSHOD PUBLIC PERFORMANCE AT ST LUKE'S : DELIVER

Saturday 24th March - DOORS 6:40 FOR 7:00PM START TO 9:30PM

Five young people in search of their futures reveal some surprising stories of hope in their new faith-filled show for 2018.

A passenger on a train gets help from an unexpected stranger, a community is transformed by a shattering lesson, a small time crook gets an offer he can't refuse... Mixing comedy, dramatic storytelling, spoken word and the personal experience of the actors themselves, Riding Lights Roughshod deliver a show that asks: what happens when God intervenes in ordinary lives? In an anxious world of mixed messages it can be hard to find truth among the headlines.

Join our five performers for an energetic, entertaining show about faith, hope and everything in between. Tickets £5 pp, available from Eventbrite. <https://tinyurl.com/roughshod2018> Have a word with Sally if you don't have a computer. Make a note in your diaries and invite your friends.

JOINT PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP

THE DESBOROUGH SUITE - TOWN HALL **Sunday 25th March- 9:45AM - 11:30AM -**

All three Churches morning worship will be combined with Roughshod at the Town Hall on Palm Sunday.

The worship will incorporate the Liturgy of Palm Sunday will commence with the distribution of Palm Crosses as we arrive.

Roughshod will lead "The Peoples Passion" which will be a fitting and contemplative start to Holy Week.

Please do join us for this wonderful opportunity to begin Holy Week.

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Seeking Solace: Monday 5th March from 3.00pm in Church. Anyone who has been bereaved or is in need of time to share with others, is more than welcome to come long.

Pools of Stillness: Wednesday 7th March, 8.15pm. An opportunity for quiet ending with Compline at 9.15pm. All welcome.

Messy Church: Messy Church continues on Friday 6th April at 3.30pm.

Holy Land Pilgrimage: a reminder that Revd. Sally is leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from 2nd — 11th October 2018. If you would like details of this amazing opportunity please speak to Sally or take a flyer from church.

WAMCF Dialogues: The interfaith dialogues continue fortnightly at different places of worship until 27th March. For more information visit www.wamcf.org or see poster at back of church. **There will be NO 7.15pm service here**

on those evenings: Tuesday 13th March, Maidenhead Mosque
Tuesday 27th March, Windsor Humanists

Dedication Service: A reminder of the Dedication Service **this Thursday 8th March** at 7.30pm. All welcome please do come.

INFORMATION

Electoral Roll: The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on Sunday 15th April 2018. In order to be able to vote at this meeting which elects the Parochial Church Council you must be on the church's electoral roll. The roll will be open for amendment from Sunday 4th March until Sunday 25th March. It will then be closed until after the APCM If you are not already on the roll and wish to be added application forms are at the rear of church. If you are not sure if you are already on the roll a copy of the current roll is also displayed at the rear of church please check it and pass any amendments to me. You must have been on the electoral roll for a minimum of six months before you can be elected to the PCC. Ralph Hinchliffe PCC Secretary.

Monica Macaulay Brown, RIP. Monica's funeral will take place here at St. Luke's on Tuesday 6th March at 11.45 am.

Jean Glossop, RIP. Jean's funeral will take place here on Monday 12th March at 1pm

Inspire: The next issue of our church magazine will be out in time for Easter and I would love to see a range of contributions from the congregation. This is your magazine! Please email your articles, ideas and/or photos to inspire@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk **by 9pm this Wednesday 7th March.** If email isn't possible, I can also accept paper submissions before the deadline. Please note, anything received after this date will not be included in this issue. Louisa Ellins, Editor.

SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING

Local Community Fund: A reminder that in 2018 the Co-op makes a donation to St Luke's on own brand goods for members. The first instalment of £425.35 has just been received. Thank you. Don't forget to join if you shop at the Co-op

Stitch up: The next Stitch up for Kori is on Thursday 19th April, from 2-4pm in St. Luke's Community Hall. There will be tea and cake and sociable chat. Come and join us to keep the flow of much appreciated goods flowing to this rural part of Sierra Leone. Gill Curry".

Tea and Tunes: a new venture for 'our older members'. The first tea and tunes event is a concert in church by Gaslights, on Wednesday 14th March at 2.30 pm. Tickets are just £2 each and available from the office or after church. Do encourage other people to come along.

Summer Fair: this will be on Saturday 19th May from 2-5pm in the vicarage garden – and will (not surprisingly!) have a royal theme, including a regal tea. Please book this date in your diary now and see Sonya for offers of help. We will soon have a list of stalls and of things we will need.

Kori Fundraiser in St Luke's Community Hall on Saturday 10th March , from 2-4 pm. Entrance fee £5 , drink and snacks included. Good variety of stalls with interesting things to buy. The ladies who visited Kori Chiefdom in Sierra Leone last October are raising funds to build toilets and a Women's Room behind the Sandy Raffan library in Taiama. Gill Curry

Thursday Teas: All are welcome at Thursday Teas on 8th March 2-4pm in the Community Hall.

Community meal: On the last Tuesday of every month from 5.30pm–6.30pm in the Fellowship area of church, everyone is welcome.

Seated Stretch and Breathe: Weekly Friday Morning Stretch and Breathe from 10.15 am to 12 noon - 45 minute weekly sessions followed by refreshments - optional). The cost is £35 for 5 sessions (taken over a seven-week period to allow for life) or £9 per single session. For more information contact Paula Clayton 07843016641. Email: paula@theapplestudio.eu

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**Don't forget the dedication service
this Thursday 8th March 7.30pm.**

You are warmly invited to the dedication
by the Right Reverend Andrew Proud,
Bishop of Reading,
of the re-ordered fellowship area, servery, glazed doors
and administrative areas
of St. Luke's Church

Please do come along and bring your friends

For your prayers (to add anyone to the list, notify the office but please have the permission of the person being prayed for)

- The ministry and mission of this church, and our year of mission.
- Our keeping of Lent
- A deeper desire to read God's Word
- Karen, Oliver and Susan as they prepare for confirmation on 11th March
- The Orthodox and Anglican church in Ethiopia and especially the work of FACE (Friends of the Anglican Church in Ethiopia)
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in March: Olivia Carter, Robyn Nash, Henry Weber
- All those who live and work in Market Street
- The sick and those who care for them: Nick Morris, Ben Francis, Stephen Sands, Tim Williams, John Francis, Sheila Tallent, Rose Dolan, Roger Bevitt
- Those who died recently, and those who mourn them: Monica Macaulay Brown, Jean Glossop
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in March: Valerie Merkel, Dora Newcombe, Marjory Lawson, Ellen Ritson, Robert Crick, Victor Galloway, Daphne Lewis, Kenneth Dovey, Richard West, Helena Eaton, Sandy Raffan, Christine Sawyers





Sunday, 11th March 2018

8.00 am Holy Communion
10.00 am Word Service- Mothering Sunday

Officiant: Revd Sally Lynch
Preacher: Revd Nicola Hulks

4.00pm Confirmation at St Stephen's, Windsor

Next weeks readings at 10am

Exodus 2.1-10 Luke 2. 33-35

Next week's rota under Duty Warden: Don Luff

Readers : Ministry Team and C&YP **Intercessor:** Ministry Team

Acolytes: Ben Darracott and Roger Clarke

Server at 8am: Rebecca Bryant **Crucifer at 10am:** Matthew Burdett

Coffee: Bridget Morris and Mary Oubridge

Welcomers: 8.00 am Joan Harnby

10.00 am: Peter and Eileen Goford, Phyllis Sigsworth, Ann Burdett, Dorothy

This week at St. Luke's -

Everyone is welcome to all of our services and activities

Monday 5th March 3.00pm Seeking Solace

Office 9.30am-11am

Tuesday 6th March 8.30am Morning Prayer

Office 9.30am-11am

11.45am Funeral of Monica Macaulay Brown

2.30pm Lent Course

7.30pm Holy Communion

8.00pm PCC

Wednesday 7th March 8.30am Morning Prayer

Office 9.30am-11am

10.00am Holy Communion

11.00am Lent Group

3.00pm Prayer Group

8.15pm Pools of Stillness followed by Compline

Thursday 8th March 8.30am Morning Prayer

Office closed

2.00pm Thursday Teas

5.00pm Evening Prayer

7.30pm Dedication Service

Friday 9th March 8.30am Morning Prayer

Office closed

10.15am Stretch and Breathe

5.00pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 10th March 9.00am Morning Prayer

St. Luke's Church Office is open Mon Tues, Weds, 9.30 am - 11 am
Deadline for entries for this weekly pew sheet is 9.00 am on Tuesdays.

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