

St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 6th January 2019
The Feast of the Epiphany

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am All Age Holy Communion

President: Revd. Nicola Hulks

Preacher: Revd Nicola Hulks

6.00pm Sundays at Six: Epiphany Carol Service, here

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

... we send out a weekly email update. If you would like to be added to the list please email the Parish Office on 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 Epiphany

A reading from the prophecy of Isaiah

“Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD rises upon you.
See, darkness covers the earth
and thick darkness is over the peoples,
but the LORD rises upon you
and his glory appears over you.
Nations will come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.
Lift up your eyes and look about you:
All assemble and come to you;
your sons come from afar,
and your daughters are carried on the arm.
Then you will look and be radiant,
your heart will throb and swell with joy;
the wealth on the seas will be brought to you,
to you the riches of the nations will come.
Herds of camels will cover your land,
young camels of Midian and Ephah.
And all from Sheba will come,
bearing gold and incense
and proclaiming the praise of the LORD.”

Isaiah 60.1-6

A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, “Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him.”

When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. When he had called together all the people’s chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Christ was to be born. “In Bethlehem in Judea,” they replied, “for this is what the prophet has written:

“But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for out of you will come a ruler
who will be the shepherd of my people Israel.”

Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and make a careful search for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him.”

After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

Matthew 2.1-12

Collect

O God,
who by the leading of a star
manifested your only Son
to the peoples of the earth:
mercifully grant that we,
who know you now by faith,
may at last behold your glory
face to face;
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

Lord God,
the bright splendour whom the
nations seek:
may we who with the wise men
have been drawn
by your light
discern the glory
of your presence in your Son,
the Word made flesh, Jesus
Christ our Lord.

The floodlighting has been sponsored this week by:



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

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY

This morning's hymns at 10am:

P: JP238 The first Nowell
G: JP38 Ding dong merrily on high
O: JP263 Unto us a boy is born
HC:JP214 See him lying on a bed of straw
R: JP271 We three kings

Sundays at Six: The 2019 list is now out. Do make sure you take a copy. Perhaps make it a new year's resolution to come along!

Confirmation: There will be a deanery confirmation on Wednesday 10th April next year when Bishop Andrew will be confirming for the last time before he retires. If you or someone you know is thinking about confirmation please speak to Revd. Sally asap and do come along to an enquiry evening on Wednesday 30th January at 8pm in church.

INFORMATION

Revd Sally will be on a study course in Jerusalem for the first part of January. At that time Revd Nicola (07966395104) or the parish office is your first port of call.

SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING

InterFaith Community meal: a meal for anyone in the community to join and eat together. Starts weekly on 8th January—Tuesdays, here in church. All welcome.

New Year social.... A date to book in your diaries now: We are holding a Burns Night social evening on Saturday 26th January from 6pm in the Community Hall. Dinner, Ceilidh, Raffle and games. Tickets £10 adults and £5 children on sale soon. Book the date!

Homeless Bus: A purple double-decker bus has been bought by the Sue Brett Foundation. The bus has been converted into a temporary home, with the seating taken out and instead there being twelve beds upstairs, and a kitchen, desk and bathroom downstairs.

They need:

1. bus drivers who can do short journeys once in the morning and once in the evening to take the bus to its location in the town centre at night, and then back to its day-time home in Maidenhead (it will be empty and there will be no passengers on board)
 2. volunteers - for evening meals, overnight supervision and/or breakfasts
 3. money - especially standing order donations to pay for supervisors, as we need to employ a qualified person to spend every night with the bus.
- To donate or to volunteer, visit : www.thebrettfoundation.org.uk

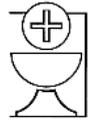


For your prayers (to add anyone to the list, notify the office but please have the permission of the person being prayed for)

- The ministry and mission of this church, and our year of mission.
- A deeper desire to grow as disciples
- For our political leaders especially throughout the Brexit debate, and for our nation.
- For peace in the world this new year.
- Bishop Andrew and Janice as they prepare for retirement in 2019
- The Orthodox and Anglican church in Ethiopia and especially the work of FACE (Friends of the Anglican Church in Ethiopia)
- Herbie, Robert, Lilly and Owen who were baptised here recently
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in January
- All those who live and work in this parish
- The sick and those who care for them: Stephen Sands, John Francis
- Those who died recently, and those who mourn them: Sheila Mayers, Robert Gill, Denis Jones,
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in January

This week at St. Luke's-

Everyone is welcome to all our services and activities



Monday 8th January

Office open 9.30—11.30 am

Tuesday 9th January

Office open 9.30—11.30 am

8.30 am Morning Prayer

5.30 pm Community InterFaith meal

7.15 pm Holy Communion

Wednesday 10th January

Office open 9.30—11.30 am

8.30am Morning Prayer

8.30 am Morning Prayer

10.00am Holy Communion

Thursday 11th January

8.30am Morning Prayer

5.00 pm Evening Prayer

Friday 12th January

No services

Saturday 5th Jan

9.00 am Morning Prayer

Sunday, 13th January 2019 Baptism of Christ

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Communion with Baptism

President: Revd Nicola Hulks

Preacher: Revd Terrie Robinson

Isaiah 43. 107, Acts 8. 14-17, Luke 3. 15-17, 21-22

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

Rota for Sunday 13th January, under Duty Warden: John Salter

Readers: OT: Johanna Raffan **NT:** James Ellins

Acolytes: Michael Masango, Ben Darracott **Intercessor:** Roger Clarke

Elements: Sally Somerville Johanna Raffan **Chalice:** Sue Harbour, Jean TD

Server at 8am: Ralph Hinchliffe **Crucifer at 10am:** Nicola Buckland

Coffee: Sally Somerville Sylvia Jones

Welcome Team: 8am: Joan Harnby

10am: Eileen & Peter Goford, Dorothy SH, Ann Burdett, Phyllis Sigsworth

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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