

St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 8th January 2017

Baptism of Christ

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am All Age Holy Communion

with Baptism of Ottillie Beresford Jones

President: Revd Sally Lynch Preacher: Revd Terrie Robinson

6.00 pm 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 parish centre.

You might like to know that...

- ... our Baby and Toddler area is at the front with 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 reading for the Baptism of Christ is: A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

Matthew 3.13-end

Collect

Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by water
and the Spirit,
that we may be faithful to our calling as
your adopted children;
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 Prayer

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Fathe in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



The floodlighting has not been sponsored this week:

To sponsor the flood lighting please complete the form at the back of church or email the office, it costs £10 per week



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

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY

Messy church ...

Meets roughly once a month for an hour of themed craft, a short act of worship and a two course meal. All are welcome, 3.30 - 5.30 pm. The dates for this year are:

Saturday 4th February

Friday 3rd March
Saturday 8th April
Friday 5th May
Sunday 2nd July (+ Baptism party)
Friday 4th August
Saturday 9th September
Friday 6th October
Saturday 4th November
Friday Ist December

...and Christingle service

This follows the next Messy Church (and is open to anyone, whether you have been to Messy Church or not) - 5.00pm on Saturday 4th February.

Task groups meet at 8.00 pm in church over the next few weeks. These groups are an opportunity to explore our Mission Action Plan and bring it to fruition. Anyone is welcome at any group:

Tuesday 10th January: Christenings, / Sunday midday worship / Music / Bereavement / weddings

Tuesday 24th January: Social media / Social Gospel / Our Older Members / Children & Young People / Re-Ordering group.

Seeking Solace meets again on Monday 9th January from 3.00pm in the Parish Centre of Church. If you feel lonely or have been bereaved, you are more than welcome to come along and share some cake together with tea/coffee and the company of others. For further information please contact Sonya on 632626.

Bible Reading Fellowship meets for the first time in this new year of 2017 on Moday 9th January at 7.15pm at 5 Wentworth Cres: when we shall be discussing November/December readings. Anyone who takes the BRF Daily Guideline is more than welcome to come along and share thoughts about these readings. Further information from Sonya on 632626.

INFORMATION

Re-Ordering update: We now have a date for the consistory court: **Monday 6th February, at 10 am, in this church**.

As a result the **APCM** will not now be in 26th February, as on the key dates sheet, but at 11.30 am on Sunday 2nd April, followed by a Lent Lunch.

We have two posts vacant, please do consider these yourself and / or pass the information to anyone you know who may be interested:

Organist / Music leader: required for Ist April 2017 (or sooner), an organist to play for Sunday morning services, mid-week festivals and limited evening services. Also to take a lead on music in the church and to lead the church choir. Details from Revd. Sally Lynch (sally514@btiternet.com / 01628 783033) and applications by IIth February. Salary negotiable.

Office administrator: required asap, an assistant to work in the parish office, initially for five hours across two mornings per week. As above, details from Revd. Sally Lynch (sally514@btiternet.com / 01628 783033) and applications by 11th February. Salary on request.

SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING

Children's Society: This year's collections raised a total of £610.40 for The Children's Society. Thanks to those who gave me their boxes or cheques. Thanks to Ben for counting all the boxes. We have now paid this in and notified the charity of our donations. Returned boxes have been relabelled and can be found on a pew at the back of church. Next year's box opening September time. Anyone wishing a box to start their own collection please let me know. Kristina

Inspire: The new edition of Inspire magazine is now available at the back of church. A big thank you to Louisa for putting it all together and to all the contributors.

Ladies Breakfast: Ladies Breakfast: our next Ladies breakfast will be on Saturday 21st January when our speaker will be Jeanette Lock from All Saints church. She will speak about her ministry with Maidenhead Street Angels. Tickets cost £5 and are now available. Doors open at 8.45 am. We usually end by 10.30 am.

Sunday Club and Sparklers Post Christmas Party

Sunday 15th January 3.10pm

The "post Christmas party" for all children (from babies to 16+) connected in any way with St. Lukes will be held at The Magnet leisure centre followed by tea in the parish centre. We will meet at The Magnet at 3.10 on Sunday afternoon for an hour's fun on a large inflatable assault course and then tea will be served in the parish centre afterwards. (Though accompanied children may like to have a swim first from 1.30pm). The cost is £5 per child or £10 for families with 2 or more children. Children are invited to bring a friend too. Whilst you can just turn up on the day it is helpful for catering purposes to know likely numbers so please let Ann Burdett (631486) or Eileen Goford know if you would like to come.

Thursday Teas; meets again this coming Thursday at 2.00 pm in the parish centre, with Holy Communion at 5 2pm for anyone who would like it.

WIDER COMMUNITY

STITCH UP FOR KORI is now on Monday 13th February 2017, from 2-4 pm, in the Parish Centre., please note the change of date. Ccome along for a sociable afternoon, with refreshments, and help to make things for Sierra Leone. Contact Gill Curry, 01628 625196.

Wycombe Swan Pride and Prejudice: Saturday matinee 2.30pm 28th January 2017

We have a booking to see Pride and Prejudice at The Wycombe Swan theatre on Saturday 28th January. We have been offered tickets at an excellent group rate price of £15.50. The show promises to bring "elegance, charm and sparkle to the stage with its inventive script and ingenious set" If you would like to join a group of us from church please let Ann Burdett know (631486). Cheques payable to St. Lukes PCC

Interfaith Dialogue: Windsor and Maidenhead Community Forum are organising a series of fortnightly interfaith dialogues in centres of faith around Maidenhead and Windsor. The first session will be at SGI –UK Taplow Court , on Tuesday 17th January 7pm on the subject of 'How much control do we have over our lives?' All welcome, see details at the back of church or visit www.wamcf.org

31st Jan Maidenhead Gurdawara 14th Feb: St. Mark's RC church, Dedworth 28th Feb: Maidenhead Synagogue 14th March: Maidenhead Mosque

Please note that there will be **NO TUESDAY EVENING HOLY COMMUNION** service on these days:

Book Share: The next meeting of the book share group will be on Wednesday 18th January at 2pm at 42 Ray Lea Road. We will be discussing "The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry" and our different readings for advent. All welcome. Johanna

Swimarathon: The annual Maidenhead Lions Club Swimarathon took place on 7th January. If you would like to sponsor our teams retrospectively (who were swimming for local charities supported by the Lions club and People to Places) please offer to sign any of the swimmers' sponsor forms. Many thanks Ann Burdett

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
- Our personal and corporate spiritual growth in this new year
- The people of the USA, and President Elect Trump.
- Our plans to re-order the church, for funding, and wisdom in the plans and practical work and for the consistory court in February
- Our Mission Action Plan priorities and Task groups exploring them
- Our town and parish and RBWM's borough planning for new homes
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in January
- All those who are travelling
- The sick and those who care for them: Nick Morris, Katharine Morris, Ben Francis, Steven Sands, Tim Williams, Chris Sawyers, John Francis, Sheila Tallent, Vivienne Holland
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Peter Bell, David Sawyers, Eileen Pond, Robert Gardener



Next Sunday, 15th January Second Sunday of Epiphany

8.00 am Holy Communion 10.00 am Parish Communion

President: Revd. Sally Lynch Preacher: Revd. Sally Lynch

6.00 pm Sundays at Six: Evensong and Benediction,

at All Saints

Next week's readings at 10am:

Isaiah 49. 1-7 Corinthians 1. 1-9 (John 1. 29-42)

Next week's rotas under Duty Warden: Johanna Raffan

Readers: OT: William Mohr NT: Ann Burdett

Intercessor: Phyllis Sopp

Elements: Mary Pennington and Helen Petter Coffee: Joan Harnby and Ann Darracott Welcomers: 8.00 am: Richard Hannam

10.00 am: Emma Shenton, Ann Darracott, Ralph Hinchliffe

Sue Hinclhiffe and Janet Trinkwon

This week at St. Luke's

Everyone is welcome to all of our services and activities

Monday 9th

Tuesday 10th	8.30 am	Morning Prayer
Office 9.30-11	7.15 pm	Holy Communion
	8.00 pm	Task groups meeting
Wednesday 11th	8.30am	Morning Prayer
Office 9.30-11	10.00 am	Holy Communion
	3.00 pm	Prayer Group
Thursday 12th	8.30am	Morning Prayer
Office closed	2.00pm	Thursday Teas
	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer
Friday 13th	8.30am	Morning Prayer
Office closed	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer
Saturday 14th	9.00 am	Morning Prayer

St. Luke's Church Office is open 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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