



# St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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**Week commencing: 14th August 2016**  
**Twelfth Sunday after Trinity**

## WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

**8.00 am Holy Communion**

**10.00 am Parish Communion**

President: Revd Terrie Robinson

Preacher: Sonya Clarke

**Sundays at Six:** To recommence in September

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 Twelfth Sunday after Trinity are:**

### **A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews**

By faith the people of Israel passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets – who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented – of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

*Hebrews 11.19-12.2*

### **A Reading from the Gospel of Luke**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptised, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

father against son

and son against father,

mother against daughter

and daughter against mother,

mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law

and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

He also said to the crowds, 'When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, "It is going to rain"; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, "There will be scorching heat"; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

*Luke 12. 49-56*

## Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you are always more ready to hear  
than we to pray and to give more  
than either we desire or deserve:  
pour down upon us the abundance  
of your mercy, forgiving us those  
things of which our conscience is  
afraid and giving us those good  
things which we are not worthy to  
ask but through the merits and  
mediation of 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

God of all mercy,  
in this Eucharist you have set aside  
our sins and given us your healing:  
grant that we who are made whole  
in Christ may bring that healing to  
this broken world, in the name of  
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 been sponsored this week by**

*Johanna Raffan*

*15th August 1962*

*Many wonderful memories*



**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.

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

**Bishop Steven:** We are all invited an Archdeaconry service to welcome the new Bishop of Oxford on the evening of Wednesday 5th October. Full details appear below. If you would like to attend, please sign the sheet at the back of church by the 18th September, or reply individually.



The Right Reverend Andrew Proud, Bishop of Reading  
invites you to

### **A Service to Welcome The Right Reverend Steven Croft as Bishop of Oxford**

at Reading Minster  
on Wednesday 5 October 2016 at 7.45pm

*Followed by light refreshments*

**RSVP:**  
[bishopreading@oxford.anglican.org](mailto:bishopreading@oxford.anglican.org) / or  
tel: 0118 9841216  
by Friday 24 September 2016, please

**Baptism:** Alexander Thomas Ellins will be baptised here at St Luke's at 10am on Sunday 21st August. We hope that many members of our wonderful church family will be able to celebrate with us on this special day. Louisa and James.

## **INFORMATION**

**Office:** The office will be closed on Wednesday 17th August

**InSpire:** Packed with news and information about what has happened in the past few months and with a brand new look, the Summer edition of InSpire is available from the back of church at the cost of £2.00 per copy. Thank you to Louisa Ellins for her work on this.

**Photos:** The embryonic Social Media Group wishes to build up a library of photos. If you have any you are happy for us to use, save them to a disc/memory stick and bring them into the office. Please remember we must have the permission of those (or the parents/guardians of those) in the photos prior to their use.

## **150th BIRTHDAY & ARTS PROJECT**

**Arts Project:** Help is needed for staffing the church between 24th-27th August, and for setting-up and helping with the street party on 28th August. As ever, sheets are at the back of the church outside the office for you to sign up. And of course, a party is not a party without cake! If you would like to provide one for the party, please write your name the type of cake you will be baking.

**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.

**Bags & Mugs:** The bags and mugs which first went on sale over the weekend of the Flower Festival and Summer Fair are still available. You will have the opportunity to buy - £5 per mug and £5 per bag - after the 10am service.

## **SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING**

**Children's Society:** As from October, Kristina Smith has volunteered to take over being the Box Representative for the Church of England Children's Society. I am extremely grateful to Kristina and wish her well. If there any questions in the interim period I will be pleased to help. Ruth Sheppard

**Local Walks:** All are welcome on these walks. Note that these are the last 3 walks of the summer, but check the pew sheet for occasional walks thereafter. If you wish to be certain that the walk is going to happen, particularly if the weather looks as though it could be wet, please phone the leaders Roger & Jilly Bevitt T.633464. Please share cars if possible. We meet as follows :

*Thurs 18 Aug. 7.15pm:* Meet at The Crooked Billet, parking opposite the pub (GR883896), Sheepridge Lane (a turning N. off the A4155 Marlow to Bourne End road – note that Marlow river bridge is due to be closed and you should join the A4155 from the A404 or via Bourne End) for a hilly 3m walk with views.

*Mon 22 Aug. 7.15pm:* Meet at the Golden Ball (GR860830) on the A308 at Pinkneys Green for a 2.5m slightly hilly walk with views from The Mount.

*Thurs 1 Sept. 2.15 pm:* Park in the lay-by opposite the Shepherds Hut (GR947785) on the B3026 in Eton Wick for a 2.5m flat walk by the Boveney Ditch and the Jubilee River.

**Ride & Stride-Saturday 10th September:** We've had a team in this event for many years now - if you would like to be part of this year's team please note the date. It is a sponsored cycle ride visiting local churches and raising money for our own church and the Berkshire Churches Trust, which gives grants for repairs to needy churches. There will be a route for young cyclists with an extension for more experienced adults. More details to follow. Roger Bevitt T.633464.

**Heritage Open Day:** On Saturday 10th September, the church will be open between 10am - 4pm for folk to discover its beauty and explore its history. If you would like to help, please see Ann Darracott.

## **WIDER COMMUNITY**

**Charles Davis Trust:** The Charles Davis Trust awards supermarket vouchers to persons over the age of 70 years who are resident in the Old Borough of Maidenhead. A notice at the back of church by the office gives more information about the scheme. If you wish to apply, please obtain the special application form from the Parish Office.

**Cricket Tournament:** The annual Interfaith Cricket Tournament is now in its eighth year and will take place on Sunday 28th August at Boyn Hill Cricket Club. Organised by Windsor & Maidenhead Community Forum, it provides a fabulous opportunity for people of all ages across all communities to get together. There is no need make up a team before the day: as in past years people register individually and mixed ability teams are then put together. The emphasis is on fun and friendship, and as well as the cricket, there will be a bouncy castle, food (including a barbecue) as well a range of drinks. Further information can be found on the board at the back of church along with details of whom to contact.

**Art Exhibition:** Cookham Arts Club is holding its 75th Summer Exhibition at Pinder Hall between 16th - 28th August. Admission is free, and you will have the opportunity to buy as well as view paintings, ceramics and sculpture. Full information can be found on the poster at the back of church.

**Space for God:** All Saints will be restarting their Thursday evening 'Space for God' services in September. All are very welcome to join them and experience the different styles of worship used each week. Full details can be found on the boards at the back of church outside the office.



## COMING UP AT ST. LUKE'S

**Summer Arts Project 'I will build my church':** Tuesday 23rd - Sunday 28th August

*Tuesday 8pm*-Launch in church

*Wednesday 11am - 4pm & 7pm - 9pm:* Project underway from church

*Thursday 10am - 4pm & 7pm - 9pm:* Project underway from church

*Friday 10am - 4pm & 7.30pm - 9.30pm:* Project underway from church

*Saturday 10am - 4pm* Project concludes

Children's Activities: Friday 2pm - 4pm & Saturday 1pm - 3pm

*Sunday 10am:* Celebration Service

*4pm:* Street Party

**Harvest Festival:** Sunday 25th September

**150th Birthday Celebration Weekend:** 14th-16th October

*Friday & Saturday:* Church open from 9.30am-6pm - exhibition

*Sunday 10am:* Holy Communion with the Bishop of Reading

*4pm:* Choral Evensong

***More details of events taking place in the summer and autumn can be found in the 'Summer Supplement'***

### For your prayers



- Revd Nicola and Ben as they prepare for parenthood
- The ministry and mission of this church and our offering of ourselves
- Those caught up in the refugee crises and those affected by terrorism
- 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
- Adam & Lara as they celebrate their first wedding anniversary on 15th August
- Those married here recently and those to be married soon: Michael & Kathryn, and Tim & Laura
- Thomas, Grace, Freddie, Lily, and Sophia - baptised here last week
- Alexander - to be baptised here next week
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in August: Poppy Shaw, Grace McLaughlin, Francesca Lane, Emma Deakin, Grace Crossley, Ellena Campbell, Guy Newell
- Those who live and/or work in Ellington Park
- The sick and those who care for them: Nick Morris, Katharine Morris, Ben Francis, Steven Sands, Tim Williams, Chris Sawyers, John Francis, Sheila Tallent, Marian Brooks, Vivienne Holland
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Robert Bidmead, Margaret Morley, Diana Bradfield, Siew Kee Bentley



## Next Sunday, 21st August

**8.00 am Holy Communion**

**10.00 am Parish Communion with Baptism**

President: Revd Sally Lynch

Preacher: Revd Sally Lynch

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

*Hebrews 12. 18-end*      *Luke 13. 10-17*

**Next week's rotas under Duty Warden:** Johanna Raffan

**Elements:** Gill Curry, Sally Somerville

**Chalice:** Sue Harbour, Tony Lane

**Reader:** Ben Darracott

**Intercessor:** Eileen Goford

**Coffee:** Ann Hockham, Dorothy Strack-Hankey

**Welcomers: 8.00 am:** Richard Hannam

**10.00 am:** Emma Shenton, John Cox, Janet Trinkwon

Sue Hinchliffe, Ralph Hinchliffe

### This week at St. Luke's

Everyone is welcome to all of our services and activities

Monday 15th

Tuesday 16th                      8.30 am      Morning Prayer

*Office 9.30-11*                      7.15 pm      Holy Communion

Wednesday 17th                      8.30 am      Morning Prayer

*OFFICE CLOSED*                      10.00 am      Holy Communion

Thursday 18th                      8.30 am      Morning Prayer

*Office 9.30-11*                      5.00 pm      Evening Prayer

Friday 19th                      8.30 am      Morning Prayer

*Office 9.30-11*                      5.00 pm      Evening Prayer

Saturday 20th                      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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