



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 16th July 2017

Trinity 5

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Parish Communion

President: Revd Sally Lynch

Preacher: Revd Sally Lynch

6.00 pm Sundays at Six: Prayer Walk on Ray Mill Island
(the last SAS before the summer break)

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 readings for the Fifth Sunday after Trinity:

A Reading from Paul's Letters to the Romans

There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law – indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Romans 8. 1-11

A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundred-fold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!

Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately

falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23

Collect for Trinity 5

Almighty and everlasting God,
by whose Spirit the whole body
of the Church
is governed and sanctified:
hear our prayer which we offer
for all your faithful people,
that in their vocation and ministry
they may serve you in holiness
and truth
to the glory of your name;
through our Lord and Saviour
Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.



Post Communion Prayer

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,
that the course of this world may
be so peaceably ordered
by your governance,
that your Church may joyfully serve
you in all godly quietness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The floodlighting has not been sponsored this week.

It costs £10 to sponsor the floodlighting. Please see the sign-up sheet on the table outside the office



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

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY

Prayer Walk: Today is our last Sundays at Six before the summer break. Join us for a prayer walk around Ray Mill Island, taking in the beautiful surroundings and tranquillity. Meet at 6pm.

Messy Church: All families are welcome at our next Messy Church on Friday 4th August, 3.30pm-5.30pm. Enjoy crafts, songs, simple worship and a meal. £1 each. If you can let the office know for catering purposes that would be great.

INFORMATION

Farewell to the Parish Centre: If you would like to bid a 'fond farewell' to the parish centre you are invited to send photos of its use with a brief caption to Inspire inspire@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk. Louisa plans to run a photo collage in the next edition of Inspire. I have already sent one of a Thursday tea Christmas celebration. Sally

Hassocks: we will be disposing of some hassocks (the PCC has a faculty for this) before work starts in the church. The best will be kept for use but if you would like one / some for use in your home or garden please do take them. Please speak to Dave or Don first to ensure that you take the right ones!

Mugs and Bags: this is your last chance to purchase St. Luke's bags (really sturdy quality) and mugs. Reduced price of £3 each. Available after services or via the parish office.

Rent a choir: We have a wedding in church on Sunday 17th September at 1.30pm and would like some more voices. If you are interested in singing in the choir for this occasion, please speak to Ruth in the parish office.

SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING

Stars and Sparks Nature Walk - Today-Sunday 16th July: All 'Stars & Sparks', their leaders and Mums and Dads are welcome for a 'Nature Hunt/Walk' meeting at church at 2.15pm. We can then car share as necessary for a short drive to Hurley. The walk will be 2.4 miles in length although it can be adjusted to suit the party make-up. Come and join us to spot the wide variety of wildlife on offer at this time of the year: flowers, insects, butterflies, trees and birds, see what you can spot! Bring sensible shoes/boots, clothing etc. and a drink/snack for a half way break. Please call me for any further information, hope that you can join us. Roger Clarke (Tel: 01628 632626)

Ladies Breakfast: the next is on Saturday 22nd July, when Caroline Romero will speak about her business, 'Grey Matters'. Tickets at £5 each will be on sale next week. Doors open at 8.45 am (no earlier) and ends by 10.30 am.

Local Walks: All are welcome on these walks of 2.0 to 4.5 miles. If you wish to be certain that the walk is going to happen please phone the walk leader. Please share cars if possible. **Wed 19 Jul 7.15pm** The NT car park by the cricket pitch opposite the end of Pinkneys Rd. (GR862822). This is a special walk led by Gerry Knight, who is a National Trust Volunteer. He will take us on a flat walk of c.3m round wooded parts of the Thicket. Afterwards there will be an opportunity for a drink at the Pinkneys Arm. Roger & Jilly Bevitt. T.633464

Ride and Stride: Saturday 9th September: If you are interested in taking part in this fund raising cycle ride for all ages, please note the date. Details to follow. Roger Bevitt T.633464

School Stationery for the Kori Project: In October six of us are going to visit the Kori Project in Sierra Leone. We would like to take sorely needed items of school stationery, to hand out to the children we meet. They have to supply all their own materials. So when you are shopping perhaps you would be kind enough to buy a pack of Bic like biros, some pencils, pencil sharpeners, erasers, or any maths things, like protractors, set squares and rulers and compasses. Coloured pencils would be nice and would last longer than felt pens. The biros and pencils are probably the most necessary. I will put a box in church for you to place them. Thank you for your practical support. Gill Curry

WIDER COMMUNITY

WAMCF Women's Group: The group next meets on Monday 24th July , 7.30pm-9pm at Cookham Rise, Methodist Church. Ladies of all faiths and none are welcome to share refreshments and hear a speaker from the Citizen's Advice Bureau on the topic of taking the service out, reaching isolated people. For more details speak to Sally.

Maidenhead Festival: Maidenhead Festival takes place 22nd-23rd July at Kidwells Park. We have a stall on the Saturday and help staffing would be appreciated. See Sally if you can help out for an hour or so.

St Luke's School Summer Fayre: Our school's summer fayre takes place on Monday 17th July 1.30pm-4pm. Including a raffle, tombola, games and a bbq. Do come along and support if you are able, even better, offer to help on our stall!

RE-ORDERING UPDATE

Although both the Reordering committee and Funding group have met this week, there is not a lot to add on this at this stage. We are waiting for some information from the contractors / architects, particularly a slightly more detailed timeline for the work so that we can plan activities in church effectively. They have already had from us a list of key events (Baptisms and weddings etc) and we have booked the community hall for coffee after church (every week in the autumn), Thursday teas and Messy Church.

A small group is meeting at the start of August to pack up the parish centre and we are clearing what we can in the office. Once work starts the trolley will 'live' in the office with kettles, tea, coffee etc for everyday use. If you have any possessions in the PC that you have not yet collected please do so now – or you won't see them for a few months!

All those who hire the PC have been notified of the end date of 31st July. A reminder too that Dave Sopp will be recalling all tower door keys (including from church members) after that date.

A disabled compliant portaloos with baby changing will be hired from early September. A reminder that parking will be very limited in the church grounds.

The Funding group has now made a number of applications for Funding agencies and also to companies. We await the outcome of these.

If anyone has questions do speak to Sally or Emma Shenton, or use the sheet by the office.

Inspire: The next issue of our church magazine will be out in early September and it would be fantastic to see a wide range of contributions from the congregation. I'm particularly looking for photos (with captions please) from the summer fair and music festival in June. Please email your articles, ideas and/or photos to inspire@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk by 9pm on **Wednesday 16th August**. 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. Thanks very much, Louisa Ellins, Editor.

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 school staff and pupils as term ends.
- Deputy head Bethany Greenwood as she leaves to take to take up a headship at Nettlebed School
- Recent terrorist attacks and those living in fear
- The Brexit negotiations
- Our plans to re-order the church, for forbearance during the work to take place, and fundraising / grant applications
- Those baptised here recently: Ollie and Myles, Noah
- Those who celebrate their first wedding anniversary:
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in July: Rosa MacLeod, Carla MacLeod, Phillipa Warwick, Zoey Nash, Maerose Lambert, Gethin Cox, Ella Cottrell, Aaliyah Tull, Hayden Pearce, Nathan Pearce, Mason Whittle, George Pankhurst
- All those who live and work in Kingfisher Drive
- The sick and those who care for them: Nick Morris, Ben Francis, Stephen Sands, Tim Williams, John Francis, Sheila Tallent, babies Albert and George, Rose Dolan, Janet Cheek, John Coupe
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Doreen Shields
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in July: Ann Ringer, Cyril Vizard, Shirley Sattler, Dorothy Barnard, Ronald Bennett, Ada Rolls, Barbara Ward, Paul Luxton, Jean Stevens, Edward Stevens, Christine Collins, Kathleen Woodworth, Kenneth Wheeler



Next Sunday, 23rd July

Trinity 6

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Parish Communion

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Next week's readings at 10am:

Romans 8. 12-25 Mathew 13.24-30, 36-43

Next week's rotas under Duty Warden: Ruth Sheppard

Readers: NT: Sally Somerville

Intercessor: Shula Tajima

Chalice: Michelle Lane, Emma Cameron

Acolytes: Ben Darracott, Shula Tajima

Server/Crucifer: Sue Harbour , Roger Clarke

Elements: Faith and Michael Murwisi Masango and family

Coffee: Dave and Phyl Sopp

Welcomers: 8.00 am: Joan Harnby

10.00 am: Don Luff, Dorothy Strack-Hankey,
Emma Shenton, John Cox

Monday 17th	1.30pm	School Summer fair (at school)
<i>Office 9.30-11</i>	7.30pm	Guild of St Raphael
Tuesday 18th	8.30am	Morning Prayer
<i>Office 9.30-11</i>	7.15pm	Holy Communion

Wednesday 19th		
<i>Office 9.30-11</i>	8.30am	Morning Prayer
	10.00 am	Holy Communion

Thursday 20th		
<i>Office closed</i>	8.30am	Morning Prayer
	11.00am	Friendship Project
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer

Friday 21st	8.30am	Morning Prayer
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer

Saturday 22nd	NO Morning Prayer	
	8.45am	Ladies Breakfast
		Maidenhead Festival at Kidwells Park

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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