



# St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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**Week commencing: 18th November 2018**  
**Second Sunday before Advent**  
**WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP**

**8.00am Holy Communion**

**10.00am Parish Communion**

President: Revd. Nicola Hulks

Preacher: Revd Sally Lynch

**6.00pm Sundays at Six: Desert Island Hymns and Readings at Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green**

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](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 Second Sunday before Advent**

### **A Reading from the Book of Hebrews**

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, 'he sat down at the right hand of God', and since then has been waiting 'until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.' For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

'This is the covenant that I will make with them  
after those days, says the Lord:

I will put my laws in their hearts,  
and I will write them on their minds',

he also adds,

'I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.'

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

*Hebrews 10.1-14, 19-25*

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

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.'

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.'

*Mark 13.1-8*

## Collect

Heavenly Father,  
whose blessed Son was revealed  
to destroy the works of the devil  
and to make us the children of God and  
heirs of eternal life:  
grant that we, having this hope,  
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;  
that when he shall appear in power and  
great glory  
we may be made like him in his eternal  
and glorious kingdom;  
where he is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## Post Communion

Gracious Lord,  
in this holy sacrament  
you give substance to our hope:  
bring us at the last  
to that fullness of life for which we  
long;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

## Gradual hymn

I will come to you in the silence  
I will lift you from all your fear  
You will hear My voice  
I claim you as My choice  
Be still, and know I am near  
  
I am hope for all who are hopeless  
I am eyes for all who long to see  
In the shadows of the night,  
I will be your light  
Come and rest in Me

*Do not be afraid, I am with you  
I have called you each by name  
Come and follow Me  
I will bring you home  
I love you and you are mine*

I am strength for all the despairing  
Healing for the ones who dwell in  
shame  
All the blind will see, the lame will all  
run free  
And all will know My name  
*Do not be afraid, I am with you...*

I am the Word that leads all to free-  
dom  
I am the peace the world cannot give  
I will call your name, embracing all  
your pain  
Stand up, now, walk, and live  
*Do not be afraid, I am with you*

**The floodlighting has been sponsored this week by:**  
Pat Lovering



*In memory of Ray*

**Offertory hymn**

Restore, O Lord  
The honour of Your name  
In works of sovereign power  
Come shake the earth again  
That we may see  
And come with reverent fear  
To the living God  
Whose kingdom shall outlast the  
years

Bend us, O Lord  
Where we are hard and cold  
In Your refiner's fire  
Come purify the gold  
Though suffering comes  
And evil crouches near  
Still our living God  
Is reigning, He is reigning here

Restore, O Lord  
In all the earth Your fame  
And in our time revive  
The church that bears Your name  
And in Your anger  
Lord, remember mercy  
O living God  
Whose mercy shall outlast the years

**What's happening...? See below, and check out our website too**  
[www.stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk](http://www.stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk)

**WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY**

**This morning's hymns at 10am:**

Setting:	The Wiltshire Setting
P: 368	All my hope on God is founded
G: pewsheet	You are mine
O: pewsheet	Restore, o Lord
HC: 547	Oft in danger, oft in woe
R: 435	Glorious things of thee are spoken

**Living and Praying with the Psalms:** Saturday 1st December, at All Saints church. Led by Revd. Dr. John Bell of the Iona Community this day will be very popular so please sign up asap here in church. £5 pp – please pass payment before the day to the Parish office.

## INFORMATION

**Email update:** At the end of the summer we updated our email update list in line with the new data protection regulations (GDPR). If you are no longer receiving our weekly email update and would like to, please speak to Ruth in the parish office on 01628 622733, [admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk](mailto:admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk).

**Knitted sheep!:** It's that time! We need lots of knitted sheep for our 'knitvity'. If you fancy making one (or two, or a flock!) please pick up pattern on the table at the back of church. We will need the sheep by 28th November in order to be ready for Advent. So.. 'ready... steady... knit!'

**Knitvity:** If you would like to host our travelling 'knitvity' for a night over Advent please see back of church for details and sign up sheet.

**Safeguarding training:** A reminder to do your safe guarding training online and let Dorothy know by emailing [safeguarding.stlukes@outlook.com](mailto:safeguarding.stlukes@outlook.com). Full details are in last week's pewsheet.

## SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING

**Children's Society:** Last call for Children's Society collection of boxes or cheques. Kristina will be paying in donations on 23rd November. Thank you to those who have already handed them back. Kristina

**Christmas Day Lunches:** Churches Together in Maidenhead are keen to hear from volunteers to help with their Christmas Day Lunch for the elderly, lonely at the SportsAble venue in Braywick Road. There are opportunities to drive, serve food and befriend guests at this celebration. Please contact Lily Peacock, volunteer coordinator, on [lilyandwinniectim@gmail.com](mailto:lilyandwinniectim@gmail.com) or telephone (home) 01628 623362, (mobile) 07794 397132

**Advent Calendar Collection:** E Sergeant & Son are collecting chocolate advent calendars and selection boxes on behalf of Foodshare. If you would like to donate an item please drop it off at office 118 Highstreet, Maidenhead before tomorrow ( Monday 19th November).

**WAMCF Women's Group:** Ladies of all faiths are none are welcome at all meetings, with refreshments and speakers. This month Jane Dapkin and Rabbi Syril Sheridan: Reflections on a visit to Srebrenica. Monday 26th November, 7.30pm-9.00pm. The Birinus Room, All Saints Church. For more details speak to Revd Sally.

**Chocoholic party and coffee evening:** On Wednesday 21st November at 7.30pm, Ann Burdett is holding a chocoholic party at her house 30 Mallow park in aid of People to Places and Thames hospice. There will be a display of beautifully packaged, delicious chocolates with prices from 40p. Everyone is welcome. For a catalogue just request one from Ann (631486)

**Autumn Term Friday Morning Stretch and Breathe** from Friday 2nd November to Friday 30th November from 10.15 am to 12.00 noon.

The weekly one-hour sessions are followed by refreshments. Cost £35 for five sessions (to be taken within 2 terms i.e. ten weeks please). Drop-in £9. Also Mat-based regular Stretch and Breathe Hatha Yoga sessions Wednesdays from 6.30 – 7.45 pm. All equipment provided.' Cost per session £10. Please contact Paula Clayton-Nuth on 0784301664 for more details.

**Maidenhead Choral Society Concert:** Next Saturday

(24th November) at 7.30pm Maidenhead Choral Society will be performing 'The Armed Man' by Karl Jenkins. The concert will also include pieces by Brahms and Schubert. Tickets are £10 adults, children admitted free. Ticket office 01628 822886 or on the door.

**Neil McGregor Talk: Gods for Everybody: The Community and the Divine** Thursday 29th November, 7.45 pm, coffee from 7.15 pm.

**Generous Giving** responses will be dedicated next Sunday at our 10am service. If you have not yet returned your form you may wish to do so before then.

**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 read God's Word
- Our preparation for Advent and our services
- 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)
- Robert, Lilly and Owen who were baptised here last week
- Amaya, Mabel and Noah who were baptised here recently
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in November: Harvey, Tori, Stefan, Arthur, Max, Edward, and Arthur
- All those who live and work in Ray Park Road
- The sick and those who care for them: Stephen Sands.
- Those who died recently, and those who mourn them: Janice Neaves, Dorothy Herbert, Barry Osmond, Lillian Selby
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in November: Ruth Keys, Mary Church, Thomas Speakman, Eileen Hurst, Joan Joyce, Stuart Courtier, Peter Bell, Margaret Bowdery, George Newman, Catherine Vincent, Trevor Headington, Marcus Lawes, James Herbert, Mary Fox, Francisca Knowles, Alice Newman, Roy Rance, Brian Roberts, Charles Hummer, and Evelyn Surridge.

**Christmas Tree Festival:** It's that time again! Our CTF this year is from 7th – 9th December and to make it the greatest success we need everyone on board! If you, your family, business, charity, someone you know, would like to sponsor and decorate a tree please contact the parish office for details and a form.

We need people to do the following:

Help on the door

Donate produce for the hamper and raffles

Please sign up at the back of the church.

A variety of flyers and posters are now available at the back of church. Please take as many as you like and use them to publicise the tree festival as widely as you can.

## **Advent and Christmas at St. Luke's Church**

**Sunday 2nd December**

6.00 pm **Advent Ring Service**

### **Christmas Tree Festival 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> December**

*Friday 7th December*

10.00 am - 7.00 pm, Church open to view decorated trees;  
stalls and refreshments

7.30 pm **Winter Wonderland: An evening with  
St Luke's Church Choir.**

**Free with retiring collection**

*Saturday 8th*

10.00 am - 7.00 pm, Church open to view decorated trees;  
stalls and refreshments

**1.00pm Lunchtime free piano concert by Jonny Lane**

*Sunday, 9th December* midday – 6.00 pm,

Church open to view decorated trees; stalls and refreshments

6.00 pm '**Christmas Tree' Service**

### **Sunday 23rd December**

**6.00 pm, Carol Service by candlelight**

followed by mulled wine and mince pies

### **Christmas Eve, Sunday 24th December**

**Candlelit Crib Services at**

4.00 (younger families) and 5.00 (older families) pm,

11.30 pm, **Midnight Mass**

### **Christmas Day, Tuesday 25th December**

10.00 am, Short Christmas Day service for children / families

10.30 am, Service of Parish Communion

## **This week at St. Luke's-**

Everyone is welcome to all our services and activities

### **Monday 19th Nov**

*Office open*

### **Tuesday 20th Nov**

*Office open*

8.30am Morning Prayer

**7.30pm** Holy Communion

8.00pm PCC

### **Wednesday 21st Nov**

*Office open*

8.30am Morning Prayer

10.00am Holy Communion

### **Thursday 22nd Nov**

*Office closed*

8.30am Morning Prayer

5.00pm Evening Prayer

### **Friday 23rd Nov**

*Office closed*

8.30am Morning Prayer

10.15am Stretch and Breathe

5.00pm Evening Prayer

### **Saturday 24th Nov**

9.00am Morning Prayer

7.30pm Choral Society Concert

## **Sunday, 25th November 2018 Christ the King**

**8.00am Holy Communion**

**10.00am Parish Communion**

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**6.00pm Sundays at Six: Evensong and Benediction  
at All Saints Church**

### **Next weeks readings at 10am:**

Revelation 1.4b-8      John 18.33b-37

**Next week's rota under Duty Warden:** Sue Hinchliffe

**Readers: NT:** Jill Bevitt

**Acolytes:** Michela Masango, Ben Darracott **Intercessor:** Shula Tajima

**Elements:** Enid Barber and Johanna Raffan

**Chalice:** Sue Harbour, Johanna Raffan

**Server at 8am:** Sue Harbour **Crucifer at 10am:** Nicola Buckland

**Coffee:** Bridget Morris and Sue Harbour

**Welcome Team: 8am:** Joan Harnby

**10am:** Don Luff, Jilly Bevitt, Ben Darracott, Shula Tajima, Nikola, Natasha and Charlie.

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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