



## St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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**Week commencing: 19th February 2017**

**Second Sunday before Lent**

### WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

**8.00 am Holy Communion**

**10.00 am Parish Communion**

President: Revd. Terrie Robinson

Preacher: Sonya Clarke

**6.00 pm BCP Evensong at All Saints**

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](mailto: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 Second Sunday before Lent**

### **A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans**

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

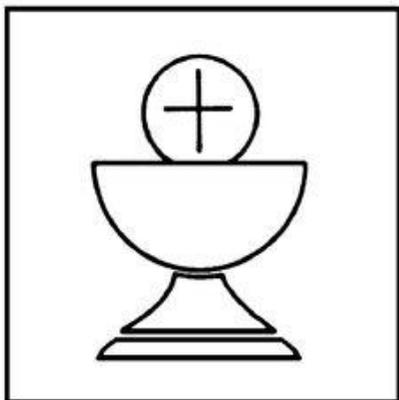
*Romans 8. 18-25*

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

Jesus taught his disciples, saying: 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.'

*Matthew 6. 25-end*

## Post Communion Prayer



God our creator,  
by your gift  
the tree of life was set at the heart  
of the earthly paradise,  
and the bread of life at the heart of  
your Church:  
may we who have been nourished  
at your table on earth  
be transformed by the glory of the  
Saviour's cross  
and enjoy the delights of eternity;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Collect

Almighty God,  
you have created the heavens and  
the earth  
and made us in your own image:  
teach us to discern your hand in all  
your works  
and your likeness in all your  
children;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our  
Lord,  
who with you and the Holy Spirit  
reigns supreme over all things,  
now and for ever.



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

*The Barber Family  
to celebrate an assortment of birthdays.*

*Robert Lewis  
In loving memory of my dear Mum Daphne who fell asleep  
20th February 2014. God bless*



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

## **WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY**

**Women's World Day of Prayer:** This year the service has been prepared by the women of the Philippines. The theme is 'Am I Being Unfair to You'. It deals with the exploitation and discrimination against the women in the home, church and society. It is at the United Reformed Church in West Street on Friday 3rd March at 2pm. Refreshments will be served afterwards. All are welcome including men! Ruth Sheppard and Gill Curry

**Lent course:** This year's Lent course will follow the Pilgrim booklet: Beatitudes, and will take place on Wednesdays at 11 am and 8 pm in the church / parish centre, starting on 8th March for five weeks. If you would like a copy of the booklet (£5 each) please sign up in church.

**Lenten Quiet Day:** Saturday 11th March, 10.30 am—3.00 pm with a soup lunch provided, here at St. Luke's. All welcome. Please sign up in church.

And also **Lenten Retreat day** with Rowan Williams on Saturday 18th March 10am-4pm St Marys Church, Chesham, Bucks. See [www.pelagos.co.uk](http://www.pelagos.co.uk) or poster at the back of church for more details.

**Anniversaries of death:** You will see that we are now including those whose anniversary of death falls at certain times in our prayers. We have a database of all funerals we have taken in the last five and a half years but if you would like us to add a loved one to our list please email the office with: name, date of death and your name.

**Stars and Sparks:** our children have chosen a new name for themselves, and Natasha has designed this super 'logo'. Please do pray for our Stars and Sparks, and their leaders.



**Messy Church:** The next Messy Church is on Friday 3rd March. Crafts, worship and a meal. All welcome. 3.30pm-5.30pm

## **INFORMATION**

**Serena Tajima** is singing at St George's Chapel Windsor today 19th February at Matins 10.45am, Eucharist at 12pm and Evensong at 5.15pm. Anyone who would like to go along is very welcome.

**Parish Office:** The office is now open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 9.30-11am. Please make sure any pew sheet notices are with the office by Tuesday evening at the latest.

**Church deep cleaning..** please note two extra dates: Saturday morning, 18th March—Spring clean and Saturday morning 13th May—Care time. Please help out if you can.

**Electoral Roll:** If you are not already on the electoral role please make sure you fill in a form at the back of church. You need to be on the electoral role to vote in the APCM in April .

## **SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING**

**Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers :** It's that time again! Please bring in any Sainsbury's vouchers for the school—they really do appreciate our help! There is a box to put them in at the back of church.

**Theatre trips:** We have secured reduced price tickets for the following shows at Wycombe swan.

**Inter-Faith Golf Tournament:** Sunday 26th March 2017, 10am. The tournament has been arranged by WAMCF and will take place at Bird Hills Golf Club, Drift Road Hawthorn Hill Maidenhead SL6 3ST. Contact: Trip Pannu on 0741 3588524 trip.pannu@sky.com for booking and further information.

**Men's Matters Windsor:** This new charity supporting older men in Maidenhead and Windsor who are isolated, feel lonely and experiencing major life changes. From Monday 6th February, Men's Matters Windsor has a 'drop-in' centre for men over 50 living in and around Windsor. It is open from 1pm to 3.30pm every Monday at the All Saints Church, Dedworth Road, Windsor SL4 4JW to meet with each other and enjoy a cuppa.

## WIDER COMMUNITY

**Interfaith Dialogue:** Windsor and Maidenhead Community Forum are organising a series of fortnightly interfaith dialogues in centres of faith around Maidenhead and Windsor.

All welcome, see details at the back of church or visit [www.wamcf.org](http://www.wamcf.org)  
28th Feb: Maidenhead Synagogue                      14th March: Maidenhead Mosque

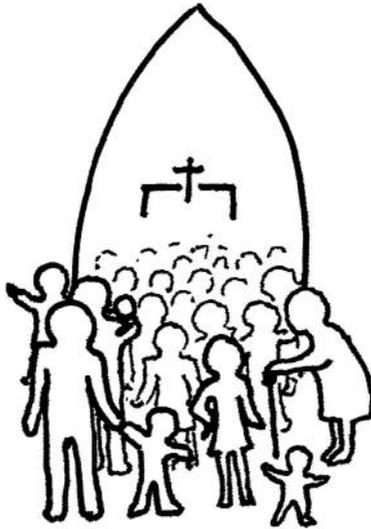
Please note that there will be **NO TUESDAY EVENING HOLY COMMUNION** service on these days. .

### Consistory Court

Thank you to everybody who helped and supported the smooth running of the court case last week. We believe the ruling will be issued at the start of March. Please do continue to keep the whole issue in your prayers.



**BROTHERS AND SISTERS  
IN CHRIST**



**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
- Those from our parish on pilgrimage in the Holy Land
- Our plans to re-order the church, for funding, and wisdom in the plans and practical work and the outcome of the consistory court
- 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 February: Harry Blackwell
- All those who live and work in St Lukes Road
- The sick and those who care for them: Nick Morris, Katharine Morris, Ben Francis, Steven Sands, Tim Williams, Chris Sawyers, John Francis, Sheila Tallent, babies Albert and George, Helen Poyter
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Joan Brazenor, Ann Hancock, Charles Woodman
- Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time: Peter Sharp, Peter Joyce, David Bateman, Edward Dobson, Mark Willard, Leonard Lynch, Beryl Horsham, Roy Smith





**Next Sunday, 26th February**

**Third Sunday before Lent**

**8.00 am Holy Communion**

**10.00 am Parish Communion**

President: Revd Sally Lynch

Preacher: Revd Sally Lynch

**3.00 pm** Sundays at Six: Deaf Church Eucharist

At The Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green

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

2 Peter 1. 16-end Matthew 17. 1-9

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

**Intercessor:** Phyllis Sopp

**Elements:** Sonya and Roger Clarke

**Coffee:** Sue Hinchliffe and Joan Harnby

**Welcomers: 8.00 am:** Joan Harnby

**10.00 am:** Don Luff, Ben Darracott, Jilly Bevitt, John Cox

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

Everyone is welcome to all of our services and activities

Monday 20th 1.00pm Funeral of Joan Brezenor

*Office 9.30-11*

Tuesday 21st 7.15pm Holy Communion

*Office 9.30-11*

Wednesday 22nd 10.00 am Holy Communion

*Office 9.30-11* 11.15am Funeral of Charles Woodman

Thursday 23rd No services

*Office closed*

Friday 24th 8.30 am Morning Prayer

*Office closed* 5.00 pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 25th 9.00 pm Morning Prayer

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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