



## St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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**Week commencing: 25th June 2017**

**Trinity 2**

### WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

**8.00 am Holy Communion**

**10.00 am Parish Communion**

President: Revd Terrie Robinson

Preacher: Revd Sally Lynch

**6.00 pm Sundays at Six: Taize Service**

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 at the back of church.

#### **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 after Trinity:**

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

Isaac grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, 'Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac.' The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, 'Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named after you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring.' So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. When she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, 'Do not let me look on the death of the child.' And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, 'What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.' Then God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

Genesis 21. 8-21

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

Jesus summoned the twelve and sent them out with the following instruction: 'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do

not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father,  
and a daughter against her mother,  
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;  
and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.'

Matthew 10.24- 39

**Collect**

Lord, you have taught us  
that all our doings without love are  
nothing worth:  
send your Holy Spirit  
and pour into our hearts that most  
excellent gift of love,  
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,  
without which whoever lives is counted  
dead before you.  
Grant this for your only Son  
Jesus Christ's sake,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion Prayer**

Loving Father,  
we thank you for feeding us at the  
supper of your Son:  
sustain us with your Spirit,  
that we may serve you here on  
earth  
until our joy is complete in heaven,  
and we share in the eternal  
banquet  
with 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](http://www.stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk)**

## WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY

**Quiet Day:** our summer quiet day is booked for Saturday 15th July and we will return to Goosebury Hall Quiet Garden near Epping. We will share transport to be there for a 10.30 am start (no earlier arrivals please), leaving at 4.00 pm. The cost is £7.50 per person to cover a light lunch and tea / coffee. Please sign up as usual...

**Baptism anniversary party and Messy Church:** Our Baptism anniversary party and Messy Church is next Sunday (2nd July) from 3.30pm. This is always a lovely and fun afternoon to celebrate baptism and enjoy games and tea in the vicarage garden. Starting with craft in church, a short act of worship and then tea and games in the vicarage garden) – 5.30 pm. Everyone is very warmly invited (please do also invite families you know). Just let the office know if you are coming so we can cater appropriately.

## INFORMATION

### St. Luke's Music Festival 2017

Thank you to everyone who helped and came along to our music festival. A special thanks to John Cottrell for his skill and for drawing talent together for our enjoyment.

**Serena Tajima** will be ordained deacon at Christchurch cathedral on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July at 2.00 pm. Everyone is warmly invited to be there to support her, and then to tea in the vicarage garden from around 5.30 pm. If you are able to assist with food please speak to Shula.

## SOCIAL and FUNDRAISING

**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:** Our next walk we be on the 28th June. All are welcome on these walks of 2.0 to 4.5 miles, which we hope to have most weeks throughout the summer. If you wish to be certain that the walk is going to happen if the weather looks as though it could be wet, please phone the walk leader. Please share cars if possible. We meet as follows : **Wed 28 Jun 7.15pm** The Horns (GR800809), Crazies Hill. Take the Warren Row road, a right turn off the A4 at Knowl Hill, and then a left turn about 1m beyond Warren Row and just before reaching Cockpole Green. A 3.5m walk of rolling hills and views, and hopefully wild orchids. **Thur 6 July 7.15pm** Meet at The Flower Pot, Aston (GR784843), down a left turn off the Henley road at Remenham Hill, for a 4m fairly flat walk across the weir & around part of the Hambleton Valley. Leaders: Roger & Jilly Bevitt. T.633464

**Stitch-up for Kori** on Monday 10th July. 2-4 pm in the parish centre. Come along for a sociable time, making blankets and useful items for this project which helps a rural area of Sierra Leone. Tea/coffee and cake is provided. Gill Curry

## **WIDER COMMUNITY**

**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.

**Cake Sale update:** A big thank you from Natasha and Nikola for buying cakes as part of the fiver challenge on Sunday. Natasha raised £84 (after costs) and a further £120.50 outside Sainsburys selling the left over cakes. The money raised will go toward props and settings for their end of year production.

**Community Meal:** The next community meal is this Tuesday (27th) at 5.30pm to mark the end of Ramadan. The meal is open to anyone to come and share a meal with our Muslim brothers and sisters.

Inspired by love and anger, disturbed by need and pain,  
Informed of God's own bias we ask him once again:  
"How long must some folk suffer? How long can few folk mind?  
How long dare vain self interest turn prayer and pity blind?"

From those forever victims of heartless human greed,  
Their cruel plight composes a litany of need:  
"Where are the fruits of justice? Where are the signs of peace?  
When is the day when prisoners and dreams find their release?"

From those forever shackled to what their wealth can buy,  
The fear of lost advantage provokes the bitter cry,  
"Don't query our position! Don't criticise our wealth!  
Don't mention those exploited by politics and stealth!"

To God, who through the prophets proclaimed a different age,  
We offer earth's indifference, its agony and rage:  
"When will the wronged be righted? When will the kingdom come?  
When will the world be generous to all instead of some?"

God asks, "Who will go for me? Who will extend my reach?  
And who, when few will listen, will prophesy and preach?  
And who, when few bid welcome, will offer all they know?  
And who, when few dare follow, will walk the road I show?"

Amused in someone's kitchen, asleep in someone's boat,  
Attuned to what the ancients exposed, proclaimed and wrote,  
A Saviour without safety, a tradesman without tools  
Has come to tip the balance with fishermen and fools.



**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
- Those caught up in the Grenfell Tower fire
- Recent terrorist attacks and those living in fear
- Our Muslim brothers and sisters during Ramadan
- The Brexit negotiations
- Our plans to re-order the church, for funding, and wisdom in the reordering work to take place and fundraising / grant applications
- Those who visited during the music festival
- Those who were married here recently: Madeleine and Elliot, Marc and Donna
- Those baptised here recently: Ollie and Myles, Noah to be baptised next week
- Those who celebrate their first wedding anniversary: Ronnie and Kayleigh, Tony and Natasha
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in June: Cameron Bradley, Layla-Skye Jarnak, Chloe Whiting, Seth Molony, Lexi Teeder, Robert Lambert, Jayden Shaw-Griffiths, Coby Griffiths, Cameron Raymond
- All those who live and work in Grebe Way
- 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
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in June: Bernard Kellerman, John Wells, Geoffrey Thift, William Mayers, Helen Bailey, Kathleen Heskith, Hazel Birch, Gerald Gunner, Joycelne Wyman, Ronald Birch, Christa Blight, John Avenell, Geoffrey Hutson, Philip Snelgrove, Robert Clark





**Next Sunday, 2nd July**

**Trinity 3**

**8.00 am Holy Communion**

**10.00 am All Age Holy Communion with Baptism of Noah Cameron**

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:**

Romans 6. 12-end, Mathew 10.40-end

**Next week's rotas under Duty Warden:** Dave Sopp

**Readers:** NT: William Mohr

**Intercessor:** Stars and Sparks (words in OOS)

**Elements:** Chris and Kristina, Isla and Scarlett Smith

**Coffee:** Ian and Jan Gilchrist

**Welcomers:** **8.00 am:** Joan Harnby

**10.00 am:** Phyl Sopp, Rebecca Bryant, Chris, Kristina, Isla and Scarlett Smith

Monday 26th

Office 9.30-11

Tuesday 27th

Office 9.30-11

8.30am

Morning Prayer

5.30pm

Community Meal

7.15pm

Holy Communion

Wednesday 28th

Office 9.30-11

8.30am

Morning Prayer

10.00 am

Holy Communion

1.00pm

School Faith Walk in church

Thursday 29th

Office closed

8.30am

Morning Prayer

5.00pm

Evening Prayer

Friday 30th

Office closed

8.30am

Morning Prayer

5.00pm

Evening Prayer

Saturday 1st

9.00am

Morning Prayer

2.00pm

Ordination of Deacons at Christ Church

5.30pm

Tea in the vicarage garden

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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