



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 30th July 2017

Trinity 7

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Parish Communion –Fifth Sunday

President: Revd Sally Lynch

Preacher: Revd Sally Lynch

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 Seventh Sunday after Trinity:

A Reading from Paul's Letters to the Romans

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

'For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.'

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8. 26-end

A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.' He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.

The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and

put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Have you understood all this?’ They answered, ‘Yes.’ And he said to them, ‘Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.’

Matthew 13.31-33, 44-52

Collect for Trinity 7

Lord of all power and might,
the author and giver of all good things:
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us with all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;
through 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

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,
ever giving himself that the world may live:
may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup,
we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

- What do Paul and Jesus say about prayer in the readings?
- How might we pray more effectively as a church (not individuals)
- What should we be praying about?

The floodlighting has been sponsored this week:

with thanksgiving for the life of Jan Cheek



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

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY

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.

Jan Cheek RIP: Sadly Jan passed away on 22nd July after a long illness. We continue to remember Dick, Rob, Tim and Phil in our prayers. Jan's funeral, to which all are welcome, will take place at Chilterns Crematorium (Milton Chapel) at 1.00 pm on Tuesday 8th August, followed immediately by a Thanksgiving Service at 3pm back in church.

INFORMATION

Parking: The council is drawing up a plan on parking in the central part of Norfolk Road for consultation with residents. It will be for a weekday residents parking scheme with a two-hour parking limit (to allow for funerals etc.) alongside the church.

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/kneelers (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

Local Walks: All are welcome on these walks of 2 to 4 miles, which we hope to have most weeks up to the end of August. 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 2 Aug 7.15pm. At the public car park (GR938777) which is near the end of the road to Boveney, a turning R off the B3026 Eton Wick road at Dorney Common. A flat walk of c.3m taking in part of the Thames Path. Leader: Roger Clarke: T.632626.

Thu 10 Aug 7.15pm. The Queens Head, Little Marlow (GR873879) [park on the road if you are not going to the pub]. A 3.5m walk with one steep climb passing the site of a medieval earthwork. Leaders: Roger & Jilly.

Wed 16 Aug 7.15pm Royal Standard (GR923877) [near Odds Farm]. A 2.5m flatish walk via Bergers Hill. Leaders: Roger & Jilly.

Ride and Stride: Saturday 9th September 10am : If you are interested in being one of the sponsored team in this fund raising cycle ride visiting local churches, please note the date/time. We hope to have a short route for the youngest as well as the full route for others. Peter Goford T.638238 will be leading the ride. Please contact him or myself if you expect to come or want further details. Roger Bevitt T.633464

School Stationery for the Kori Project: In October six of us from Thames Valley Soroptimists are going to visit the Kori Project in Sierra Leone. We would like to take sorely needed items of school stationery. So when you are shopping perhaps you might like to buy a pack of Bic like biros, some pencils, pencil sharpeners, erasers. protractors, set squares and rulers, coloured pencils. 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

Garden Party in aid of the Kori Project -Tuesday 15th August, 2-4pm 6, Medallion Place, The Farthingales. : A garden party is to be held to raise funds for the development of the Kori project in Sierra Leone where a library and school have already been founded. On offer at the party will be a cream tea, raffle and plant stall. £5 at the door.

There is a parking scheme in operation in Medallion Place. Visitors can pick up a parking voucher at the door to put in their car, or park in Guards Club park and walk to Medallion Place. For more information and an invitation with a map on the back contact Ann Darracott(620280), Ben Darracott or Gill Curry (625196).

EVENTS IN THE DIOCESE

Three Big Moments – One Big Message, Saturday 30 September, 10am – 4pm, Gerrards Cross : Revd Canon Dr Sandra Millar explores how to engage sensitively and creatively with people at baptisms, weddings and funerals. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/y6v59uwe> for more information.

Messy Church Does Science: Wednesday 30 August, Rutherford Appleton Laboratory: Join Dr Dave and BRF's Messy Church team at a one-off, free science-based Messy Church with experiments, activities and fun for children and families. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/y8ot52rw> for more information.

Festival of Prayer, Saturday 9 September, Ripon College, Cuddesdon
A day organised by BRF and the Diocese of Oxford to explore different aspects of spirituality and prayer. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/ybplsjsr>

The Loneliness of Loss, Saturday 23 September, Headington

A day organised by the Archway Foundation to look at this topic for ourselves and the communities we serve. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/y9ukmntq>

Just as I am, 14 October, St Martin-in-the-Fields, London:

What does it mean to be disabled, and what might that say about God? Do our stories tell us something about God's story? Are we living theology? Through plenary talks and working in small groups, with a silent space and a marketplace, we explore the ideas arising from our experience and consider how we can resource each other and the church. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/yb37xxvb>

RE-ORDERING UPDATE

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
- The Brexit negotiations
- Our plans to re-order the church, for forbearance during the work to take place, and fundraising / grant applications
- 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
- Those to be baptised here next Sunday: Leo and Chloe Samuel-Gibbon, Eva Monello-Whittaker, Archibald Shaw
- All those who live and work in Pintail 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, John Coupe
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Janet Cheek, Andrew Ross
- 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, 6th August

Trinity 8

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am All Age Holy Communion and Baptism

President: Revd Sally Lynch

Preacher: Revd Terrie Robinson

Next week's readings at 10am:

2 Peter 1.16-19 (8am) Luke 9 .28-38

Next week's rotas under Duty Warden: Dave Sopp

Intercessor: Stars and Sparks

Chalice: Ian Gilchrist, Tony Lane

Acolytes: Nicola Buckland, Sue Hinchliffe

Server/Crucifer: Ralph Hinchliffe, Ben Darracott

Elements: Claire Price, Sue Turner

Coffee: Gill Curry and Ruth Jones

Welcomers: 8.00 am: Ann Hockham

10.00 am: Rebecca Bryant, Phyl Sopp

Garth, Dina, Rosa and Carla

Monday 31st

Office 9.30-11

Tuesday 1st Aug

8.30am

Morning Prayer

Office 9.30-11

7.15pm

Holy Communion

8.00pm

PCC Standing Committee

Wednesday 2nd

Office 9.30-11

8.30am

Morning Prayer

10.00 am

Holy Communion

3.00 pm

Prayer Meeting

Thursday 3rd

Office closed

8.30am

Morning Prayer

5.00pm

Evening Prayer

8.00pm

Re-ordering Meeting

Friday 4th

8.30am

Morning Prayer

Office closed

3.30pm

Messy Church

Saturday 5th

9.00am

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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