

# St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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## Week commencing: 10<sup>th</sup> October 2021 Parish Communion, Trinity 19

Our main service this Sunday will be **Parish Communion** at 10 am, to which all are warmly invited in church and on zoom. We also have an 8.00 am service of Holy Communion in church, and Sundays at Six, on zoom.

**Morning Prayer** also continues daily, Tuesday – Saturday on Zoom, **now at 8.30 am** (9 am on Sat.)

**Evening Prayer**, on Fridays at 5pm also on zoom (but note there is no service on 1<sup>st</sup> Friday monthly).

**Parish Prayer.** We are praying for our church and parish every Thursday evening from now until Christmas. The church will be open from 6.45 – 7.45 pm each Thursday for people to drop in and pray (together or at stations in church) or commit to pray at home. As part of this prayerful planning we offer two opportunities next Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> October. **A Quiet Morning** from 9 am – 1pm, in church, with some input and then lots of space for personal reflection on how God is calling us individually. From 1pm – 3pm (over a baked potato lunch) anyone is welcome to join a discussion about how we might implement our new Mission Action Plan. Please sign up to assist with catering.

**Church Care time** we also need to ensure that we care for our beautiful building and grounds. We will have a care time (cleaning, mending, weeding etc) from 9.30 am **this Saturday** 9<sup>th</sup> October – all are welcome for whatever time you can offer.

Next Sunday is **our Patronal Festival**. Please do join us for Parish Communion at 10 am. At the service we will dedicate new chalices, a legillum and hangings and altar stools. This will also be a gift day when you may wish to make a gift to the church in thanksgiving for our personal and corporate blessings over the last year.

There will be a Choral Evensong at 6pm on that day (rather than the 24<sup>th</sup> date published) as a special Sundays at Six for our Patronal.

### Thought for the week:

We don't often associate Jesus with humour and irony, but there is plenty of it in his teaching. Today's gospel reading is that beautiful story of a rich young man who seems to genuinely want to know how to become a disciple of Jesus and appears to struggle when told he should sell his 'stuff' in order to share his wealth with those in need.

In a lovely ironic humorous touch, Jesus says that it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than the rich to enter heaven. His hearers will have been giggling as they imagined (and may well have seen) a camel driver trying to wedge their unfortunate waddling camel through the tiny 'night' door of the city gates. The replica here demonstrates the problem as a tall man navigates it. We too might giggle as we contemplate that image – and then perhaps also be challenged to reflect on our own attitude towards our accumulated 'wealth'.



*Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October:*

Sunday	Psalm 129	Luke 13. 22-30	
Monday	Psalm 98	1 Maccabees 6.1-17	John 13.1-11
Tuesday	Psalm 106	1 Maccabees 6. 18-47	John 13.12-20
Wednesday	Psalm 111	1 Maccabees 7.1-20	John 13.21-30
Thursday	Psalm 115	1 Maccabees 7. 21-end	John 13.31-end
Friday	Psalm 139	1 Maccabees 9. 1-22	John 14.1-14
Saturday	Psalm 97	1 Maccabees 13. 41-end, 14.4-15	John 14.15-end

***Prayer suggestions for this week:***

- For all children, especially those in need  
For our mission as church and guidance about our Autumn offering.
- For Street Angels as they begin to minister actively again
- For Daisy and Katty, baptised recently
- For Steve and Gemma, to be married here next weekend
- For our school communities
- For the people of Myanmar, Yemen, Ethiopia, Syria, Armenia and other places of conflict.
- For our care for creation and preparations for forthcoming environmental conferences.
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in October: Lily Jones, Mabel Spratley, Amaya Boulton, Maggie Mae Deeley, Dollie Bella Deeley.
- For all those who live and work in North Town Close
- The sick and their carers : Monica Olley, Tony Boaks, Howard Baxter, John Cox, Pamela and Kenneth Rivers, Julianne Grobler, Clarice, Eunice Moffett, Ann Hockham, Lorraine Arthur, Jim Mundy, Andy, Dorothy Nicks.
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Betty Himmons
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in October: Gerard Beattie, Beryl Bunce, Daisy Cole, Phillip Littlejohn, Beryl Burrows, Peggy Clutterbuck, Charles Harvey, Thomas Yates, Eileen Rance, Albert Harvey, Sally Roberts, Marian Brookes, Walter Suckling, Phyllis Clayden, Vera Swadling, Ernest Philips, Gilbert McKenna, Barbara Prior, Michael Adamson, David Garnett, Richard Burrows, Elizabeth Shailes, Eileen Loach, Janice Neaves, Dorothy Herbert, Victor Russell, Martin Hornby, Les Rowlands, Yvonne Lewis, Janet Trinkwon.

***Pray for COP26***

Creator of our common home  
Hear the cry of the earth  
Our world stands in great peril  
Many are suffering  
We have put at risk our present and our future  
through the rapid warming of the earth and the careless destruction of it's beauty  
Give to the leaders of the world fresh hope and courage  
As they gather for COP 26  
Unite us all in a common mission to heal and cherish our environment  
And steward the resources of our world for future generations  
May this conference be a turning point in human history  
For the sake of all the peoples of the earth. Amen.

**Rotas for next week: 17<sup>th</sup> October, Festal Parish Communion for St. Luke, in church and on zoom**

Read: Natasha Sloan

Intercede: Phyl Sopp

Welcomers: Jacqueline, Ann and Ben Darracott

Antibac: Sally Somerville

## Our church is floodlit at night.

*This week the floodlighting has been sponsored  
by Joan Harnby  
'In loving memory of Gordon'*



To sponsor the floodlighting just call or email Revd. Sally, or fill in the sheet now back at the back of church!

## What's on...

### This week:

Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 5.00 pm, Evening prayer, on zoom 8.00 pm, Choir practice
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 9.30 am, Church Care Time
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am, Holy Communion 10.00 am, Parish Communion, in church and on zoom 6.00 pm, Sundays at Six, on zoom
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 10.00 am Holy Communion, 10.30 am coffee
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 9.30 – 11.00 am, Baby and Toddler group (church) 2.00 pm, Teas (Hall) 6.45 – 7.45 Parish prayer, in church
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 5.00 pm, Evening prayer, on zoom 8.00 pm, Choir practice
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 9.30 am – 1.00 pm, Quiet morning, 1.00 – 3.00 pm, parish planning lunch
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am, Festal Parish Communion, in church and on zoom 6.00 pm, Choral Evensong, in church (hopefully also on zoom)

### Coming up:

**Annual Memorial Service:** Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October at 4pm in church. Anyone is invited to remember those we have loved and lost at any time, with an opportunity to light candles.

**Names** of lost loved ones will be read out. Last year's list is now at the back of church. Please cross off or add any names you wish (or email names to Revd Sally).

**Remembrance Sunday** this year is Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November when our main act of worship and remembrance will start at **10.30 am**.

**Christmas Tree Festival** (yes, really!). We plan to hold a version of our famous CTF from 3-5<sup>th</sup> December – watch this space for details. If you (and anyone you know) would like to sponsor and decorate a tree, please speak to Revd. Sally.

**Tuesday lunches at Maidenhead Synagogue:** are also resuming from next Tuesday, 5th October from 12.30pm. The team write: we intend to welcome our guests into the synagogue, although we will try to maintain social distancing and keep windows open for ventilation. Masks will be preferable when moving around. Please do let anyone know who you think would benefit from this service.

**Foodshare:** as restrictions lift, we feel that now is the time to re-introduce the Foodshare basket at the back of church. Do feel free to leave items for Foodshare there, which Peter Goford will kindly take to Foodshare for us.

### **PCC Update:**

Key items to feedback from this week's PCC meeting:

- We started the meeting with the new Dwelling in the Word passage for this year, from 1 Peter 1.
- We hope to start work on the projector and screen soon.
- Our charitable giving for this year will be split four ways: three major charities: international: Christian Aid, national: Children's Society, local: Ivy's Gifts; and then a fourth share to be split three ways between: Inclusive Church, Kori toilet twinning and New Brainstorm School, Uganda.
- The contactors team has two new members; there may be some further re-allocations.
- The purchase of a new laptop was approved for the office / use with the projector.
- Tim Muggeridge has resigned as Assistant Organist as he hopes to be flying again soon.
- The Fabric committee is now co-chaired by Mike Mason and Aaron Wilson. Approval was given for spending on the boiler to ensure that it works for the winter.
- Safeguarding training and other requirements are changing and people who need a DBS /to do training will be notified.
- Deanery Synod had approved a new Parish Share allocation formula based on the cost of ministry (rather than the former collaborative approach). This will not affect what this parish pays a great deal.
- The erection of a small notice by the CWGC stating that there is a war grave in the churchyard was approved.

**Quench Bookshop:** This Saturday, 9th Oct, we will be celebrating Christian Bookshop Day - but because we think a day isn't enough, we decided to turn it into a week of celebrations (the chocolate kind as well if you come up early enough!!) If you head on up to see us on Saturday and spend £10, you will receive a FREE BOOK in a FREE TOTE BAG! (Plus you can help yourself to some yummy treats!) But what about the rest of the week we hear you say...

Monday is all about Media. All CDs/DVDs will be *at least* 20% off the RRP, with some as much as 80% off!

Tuesday is being renamed "Two Stamp Tuesday"! For every £10 you spend, instead of getting one stamp on your loyalty card, you've guessed it...you will get TWO!!

Wednesday is for Winning! Visit the shop and enter the free prize draw to win an Advent Gift Bundle worth £25

Then we move on to Thinking of you Thursday - buy 3 greetings cards and get another 3 FREE (free cards to be collected at the counter)

Finally (almost) it's Freebie Friday - spend £15 and choose a FREE GIFT from the box by the counter!

Then on Saturday 16th, come and meet Kathy Stewart of the Mount Moriah Trust at the Chocolate Cafe at Holme Grange Craft Village (home to our Wokingham branch) and hear about the incredible work they do supporting Jewish and Arab Pastors and their congregations in Israel. Kathy's book "Go to the Land of Moriah" will be available on the day for £10. Light refreshments will be served. Book your place now for just £3! Email [admin@quenchshops.com](mailto:admin@quenchshops.com) or call Ali on 07962869128

### **Regular activities:**

**The 8.00 Holy Communion service** will continue to be monthly, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday.

**Midweek Holy Communion** will occur again at 10 am weekly, followed by coffee (or just come at 10.30 for coffee!).

**Baby and Toddler group** meets on Thursdays, 9.30 – 11.00 am. We meet in church (more space and outside play area). If anyone has a wide child safety gate that they would like to part with please do let Sally or Phyl know.

**Messy Church** continues on the first Friday, monthly, 4-5pm. The next is on 5<sup>th</sup> November.

**Keeping Company** is our monthly meeting for those bereaved (at any time). Third Thursday at 3pm, in church. The next is 21<sup>st</sup> October.

**Thursday Teas** meets in the community hall offering tea, cake and conversation. Second Thursdays monthly, next 14<sup>th</sup> October.

**Gaynor's Gift** is a prayer shawl knitting ministry that anyone can take part in at home. We meet together fortnightly to pray, knit and drink tea. Both in church and on zoom, 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays monthly. The next is on 28<sup>th</sup> October at 3pm.

**Sundays at Six** A chance to worship with friends from All Saints and the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green. We will continue to meet fortnightly, with a mix of zoom and in-church services. The programme is on our website.

**Please note that for all Zoom services the links below are being used:**

**Sunday Morning Worship:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87358197400?pwd=MTFxVINad1R6NEl6cVZ6TVJ5bGlzd09>

Meeting ID: 873 5819 7400                      Passcode: 526076

To phone in on Sundays:

- Dial 0 131 460 1196
- It will say 'welcome to Zoom' and ask you for the meeting ID followed by #
- Type in 873 5819 7400 #
- Then it asks you for personal id/participant number but just press #
- Then it asks for password      Type in 526076 #
- You are muted so nobody can hear you. You can unmute yourself by pressing \*6 (star six)

**Zoom Morning Prayer** at 8.30 am Tuesday – Friday, 9 am Saturday

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81459090925?pwd=Y2hKZkFYZ04zbGZBd1BHCmlldU5Hdz09>

Meeting ID: 814 5909 0925                      Passcode: 180609

**Zoom Evening Prayer** at 5pm on Fridays (except first Friday)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85206769810?pwd=MHBweHA5YVRqemRod1RSR1ITcm5TUT09>

Meeting ID: 852 0676 9810                      Passcode: 171263

**Sundays at Six: NEW link from 19<sup>th</sup> Sept.**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83058792852?pwd=NWQ2dzJNRzZJRGdRejJUa0pQOTBJZ09>

Meeting ID: 830 5879 2852                      Passcode: 936128

**Gaynor's Gift: Prayer Shawl Ministry** 3pm, every other Thursday      NEW link from 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82191294701?pwd=MzNVRFRpY2ZqcZdMMXV5SC9sc3ZKUT09>

Meeting ID: 821 9129 4701                      Passcode: 418055

**Night Prayer from All Saints:** Mondays at 8pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85011600714?pwd=Y0x2VWpMQ3JFUStsQ0plbEFLOEQrQT09> Meeting

ID: 850 1160 0714 Passcode: 553120

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