



# St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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**Week commencing: 26th January 2020**

**Third Sunday of Epiphany**

## WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

**8.00am Holy Communion**

**10.00am Parish Communion and Baptism of**

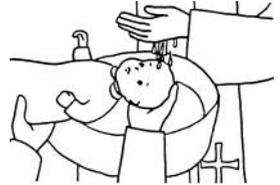
**Jonas and Sebastian**

President: Revd. Sally Lynch

Preacher: Revd. Sally Lynch

**6.00pm Sundays at Six: Deaf Eucharist**

**at The Church of Good Shepherd**



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 slip to complete and a welcome card with information about our 10am service.

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 may like to prepare for worship by praying quietly using your own words or these:

Holy Spirit of God,

open our eyes to see you at work in our world;

open our ears to hear your cries in our world;

open our hearts to understand your purposes for our world –

that we might share your wisdom,

receive your blessing,

and transform the world.

Amen.

*We take all aspects of safety very seriously at St Luke's.*

*Please do take care with hot drinks.*

*Details of our safeguarding team are on the noticeboard by the door .*

*Should you have any concerns, please do speak to someone.*

## **The Readings for Today**

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

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;  
those who lived in a land of deep darkness –  
on them light has shined.

You have multiplied the nation,  
you have increased its joy;  
they rejoice before you  
as with joy at the harvest,  
as people exult when dividing plunder.  
For the yoke of their burden,  
and the bar across their shoulders,  
the rod of their oppressor,  
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

*Isaiah 9.1-4*

For your own reading, the  
other lectionary  
readings set for today are:  
I Corinthians 1.10-18  
Psalm 27



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

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

‘Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles – the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.’

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, ‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.’

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake – for they were fishermen. And he said to them, ‘Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.’ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

*Matthew 4.12-23*

## Collect

Almighty God,  
whose Son revealed in signs and  
miracles  
the wonder of your saving presence:  
renew your people  
with your heavenly grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your mighty power;  
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

## Gradual Hymn

Sing of the Lord's goodness,  
Father of all wisdom,  
come to him and bless his name.  
Mercy he has shown us,  
his love is for ever,  
faithful to the end of days

*Come, then, all you nations,  
sing of your Lord's goodness,  
melodies of praise and thanks to God.  
Ring out the Lord's glory,  
praise him with your music,  
worship him and bless his name.*

## The Post Communion Prayer

Almighty Father,  
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ  
is the light of the world:  
may your people,  
illuminated by your word  
and sacraments,  
shine with the radiance of his glory,  
that he may be known,  
worshipped, and obeyed  
to the ends of the earth;  
for he is alive and reigns,  
now and for ever.

Power he has wielded, honour is his  
garment,  
risen from the snares of death.  
His word he has spoken,  
one bread he has broken,  
new life he now gives to all.  
Courage in our darkness,  
comfort in our sorrow,  
Spirit of our God most high;  
solace for the weary,  
pardon for the sinner,  
splendour of the living God.

Praise him with your singing,  
praise him with the trumpet,  
praise God with the lute and harp;  
praise him with the cymbals,  
praise him with your dancing,  
praise God till the end of days.

## This mornings hymns at 10am:

P:	386	Be thou my vision
G:	Page 3	Sing of the Lord's goodness
O:	90	Songs of thankfulness and praise
HC:	591	The kingdom of God is justice and joy
R:	622	Will you come and follow me

**What's happening...? See below, and check out our website too**

## **WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY**

**Bible Study:** the next four week series of Bible studies runs on Thursdays at 8pm in the Chapel. This series is a short introduction to Matthew's gospel – the set gospel for this liturgical year. All welcome. Two sessions remain.

**Confirmation:** there will be a confirmation in this Deanery on the evening of Sunday 7th June, at Bray church. This is the only one really available to us this year. If you, or anyone you know of, is thinking about confirmation please have a word with Revd. Sally in the first instance so that we can start preparations.

**WAMCF Dialogues:** The next WAMCF Interfaith dialogue is on Tuesday 4th February, 7pm at Maidenhead Mosque. It will be on the topic of 'Does our faith and our beliefs influence our attitude towards mental health?'

The other dates are: Wednesday 18th March at St. Edwards Catholic Church, Windsor, and Thursday 30th April at Maidenhead Synagogue.

## **INFORMATION**

**Brass cleaning:** thank you to all who have been keeping our brass looking beautiful. Ann Hockham has kindly taken over the rota from Jilly. If anyone would like to be added to the rota please have a word with Ann and she would be delighted to give you more information, and add your name to the rota.

## **SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING**

**Breakfast:** our next Church Breakfast is on Saturday 15th February when Gwen Powell will speak about the work of Clean Conscience (who did the "rather different tree" at the CTF). This is open to men as well as ladies. Tickets £5 each, available now. Doors open 8.45 am.

**Stitch up for Kori:** Thursday 20th February, 2-4pm. St. Luke's Community Hall. Come along for a sociable afternoon, and to help this charity in Rural Sierra Leone. 'Show and tell' of your work in blanket making since we last met. The ones you brought along then will be being distributed about now, to the children and older people in the Kori chiefdom. If you are new to us, bring a pair of size eight knitting needles or crochet hook, and some double knitting yarn. Tea, coffee and cake are provided free, and it is fun. Contact is Gill Curry, 01628 625196

**Theatre trip to Wycombe Swan-"Curtains":** We have the opportunity to see a musical whodunit at Wycombe Swan on Saturday 28th March at 2.30pm with group tickets at £15. (Less than half the "proper" price). It stars Jason Manford and Carly Stenson. It is billed as "a hilarious musical murder mystery packed full of catchy songs, and plot twists galore that will have audi-

ences laughing and guessing to the final curtain". If you would like to come, please let Ann Burdett know and give her the money (cheques should be payable to St. Lukes PCC) asap. (Tel 631486)

**Marlow Community Choir** (conductor Gillian Dibden) supported by a full orchestra will be performing Gounod's "Messe solennelle de Sainte-Cécile" and Parry's "Blest Pair of Sirens" here at St Luke's on Saturday 1st February at 7:30pm. Tickets are £15.00 (£13.00 concessions) and can be purchased at the door

### **Social and Fundraising Events for the year planned so far**

Some of these dates are on the key parish dates sheet, others are new

Sunday 17th May	Wind and Words recital and tea
Sunday 7th June	3pm Concert with synagogue and tea
Sat. 13th June	Summer fair, 2-5pm
Sun. 14th June	Music Sunday with Parish lunch
Sun 5th July,	Church family lunch to celebrate Phyl Sopp's ordination
Sun 23rd August	Garden Party
Saturday 19th Sept , 5pm	Evensong with Quorum
Sat. 26th Sept,	Harvest Supper
7th November	Charities Fair
4th – 6th Dec.	Christmas Tree Festival
Breakfasts: 15th February	16th May 14th November
Lent lunches: 1st 15th and 29th March	

### **SOME OF OUR REGULAR ACTIVITES**

**Prayer Meeting:** First Wednesday monthly at 3pm. Next one 5th February

**Keeping Company (previously Seeking Solace) :** Monthly get together for the bereaved. Next one Sunday 2nd February

**Generations Café** second Wednesdays 10.45 am - coffee and conversation for mums with young babies and the not so young. Next one 12th February

**Messy Church:** First Friday monthly 3.30pm-5.30pm with craft, storytime and a two course meal for £1.50 per child. Next one Friday 7th February

**Thursday Teas:** Second Thursday monthly in the Community Hall at 2pm.

**Thursday Lunches:** Lunch in a local pub on the last Thursday of the month . Leaving church at 11.45pm. The next one is 30th January. Speak to Jean T D or Phyllis S for more details.

**Café Church:** Informal worship at 4pm, 2nd Sunday monthly with tea and cake. The next one is on 9th February.

**Interfaith Community meal:** a meal for anyone in the community to join and eat together. Every Tuesday at 6.00pm, here in church. All welcome.

**Baby and Toddler group:** Thursdays, 9.30am-11.15am term time, in the community hall.

**Christenings:** Baptism preparation is now via monthly 'Play and Stay' sessions for families. Next one is Saturday 1st February at 9.45am-11.00am.

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### **Diocesan Safeguarding Review**

Our churches and church-related activities must be safe for all, with safeguarding policies and practices that promote a safer church.

We need to be certain that all known cases of concern about the behaviour of our clergy or church officers towards children and adults have been considered and dealt with appropriately.

Every church in the Diocese, including our own, is now undertaking a comprehensive review as part of the national **Past Cases Review 2 (PCR2)**. You can find out more about PCR2 on the Diocese of Oxford website: [oxford.anglican.org/pcr-2](http://oxford.anglican.org/pcr-2)

If you have information or need to make a disclosure regarding church-related abuse, please make direct contact with the Safeguarding Team at the Diocese of Oxford on 01865 208290.

If you have lived experience of abuse from within the Church of England, you may prefer to call the dedicated telephone NSPCC helpline, which is independent of the Church. Call 0800 80 20 20.

The NSPCC helpline is also available to anyone wishing to provide information or to raise concerns regarding abuse within the Church of England. The helpline is there for you whether you are reporting issues relating to children or adults or seeking to whistle blow about poor safeguarding practice. Your call is confidential, and your concerns will be taken seriously.

As incumbent, Revd. Sally is required to complete a confidential return to the diocese now. She is checking through our records, but if ANY-ONE has any information, from any time, that you think she needs then please speak to her, in confidence, immediately. Thank you.

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

**Kristina Smith**

*“Remembering my dear dad who is sadly missed for 10 years”*



### **For your prayers**

***(to add anyone to the list, notify the office but please have the permission of the person being prayed for)***



- For peace between people and nations.
- For Bishop Olivia in the first year of her episcopacy, and for Bishop Colin, 'holding' the diocese during Bishop Steven's sabbatical.
- For unity and understanding between churches and especially the work of CTiM
- For the diocesan safeguarding review—for sensitivity, confidentiality and for us all, that by the grace of God, this past cases review will help each of us to learn something of our fragility, to find healthier, safer patterns of ministry, and to witness new manifestations of life in our Church.
- For all victims and perpetrators of abuse
- For our planning for and living out our mission.
- The ministry of Quench our Christian bookshop
- For children and young people
- For Sebastian and Jonas baptised today, and Ryan and Ritchie who were baptised last week
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in January: Grace Mondal and Otilie Beresford Jones.
- For all those who live and work in Pintail Way
- The sick and those who care for them: Stephen Sands, John Francis, Pat Lovering, Tony Lucas, and Revd Richard Holroyd
- Those who died recently, and those who mourn them: David Jones, Peggy Richards, and Bernard Bowdery
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in January: Peter Joyce, David Bateman, Mark Willard, Leonard Lynch, Roy Smith, Roger Martin, Clifford Collier, Alice Wellman, Jacqueline Hayward, Ida Walters, Robert Newman, Beryl Jenkins, Robert Howe, Frank Joyce, Marjorie Hopkins, Vivian Oliver, Andrew Drummond, Ann Hancock, Charles Woodman, Julie Brazenor, Florence Hampton, Derek Jones, Eileen Gulrayani, Edward Hylton Jones, Dawn Crampin, Nora Searle, Michael Marriner, Christine Bowyer and Jean Stemp

## This week at St. Luke's-

Everyone is welcome to all our services and activities



**Monday 27th Jan** 7.30pm WAMCF Women's group, here

*Office open 9.30-11am*

**Tuesday 28th Jan**

*Office open 9.30-11am*

8.30am Morning Prayer

6.00 pm Interfaith Community Meal

7.15pm Holy Communion

**Wednesday 29th Jan**

*Office open 9.30 am-11am*

8.30 am Morning Prayer

10.00am Holy Communion

11.30am Funeral of David Jones

**Thursday 30th Jan**

8.30 am Morning Prayer

11.45am Thursday Lunches

5.00pm Evening Prayer

8.00pm Bible Study

**Friday 31st Jan**

8.30am Morning Prayer

10.15am Stretch and Breathe

5.00pm Evening Prayer

8.00pm Choir Practice

**Saturday 1st Feb**

9.00am Morning Prayer

9.45am Baptism Stay and Play

7.30pm Marlow Community Choir Concert

**Sunday 2nd February Candlemas**

**8.00 am Holy Communion**

**10.00 am All Age Holy Communion and Christingle Service**

President: The Revd. Sally Lynch

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**3.00pm Keeping Company**

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

**Next weeks readings:** Malachi 3.1-5 Luke 2.22-40

**Rota for Sunday 2nd February under Duty Warden:** Dave Sopp

**Reader: OT:** Natasha Sloan **Acolytes:** Monique Murwisi and Hilary Murwisi

**Elements:** Phyllis Sigsworth, Jean T-D **Chalice:** Aaron Wilson, Johanna Raffan

**Intercessor:** Stars and Sparks **Coffee:** Ian and Jan Gilchrist

**Server at 8am:** Roger Clarke **Crucifer at 10am:** Roger Clarke

**Welcome Team: 8am:** Ann Hockham

**10am:** John and Rita Salter, Garth, Dina, Rosa and Carla

**Brass Cleaning:** Eileen and Peter Goford

**Church Cleaning:** Lisa Sharp, Mike Mason and tbc

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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