



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 17th April 2022 Easter Sunday

We are about to enter the Triduum – three key services which lead us through the last days of Jesus's life and to his resurrection. At the end of the Maundy Thursday service there is no blessing, nor is there one on Good Friday, it is only when we come to the end of the Easter Sunday Eucharist that we are blessed again – signifying that really these services are one long service, ending only on Easter Day. To be able to participate in all three services is a good way to mark this special time.

Details of all the services are later in this sheet, but **please note the following** especially:

- If you would like your hands washed on Maundy Thursday please bring your own hand towel
- The Easter Egg hunt (and very short service and tea) at 4pm on Saturday
- The 8 am service on Sunday – meet in Kidwells Park near the pond
- All are warmly invited to breakfast at 8.45 am on Sunday and the main service will start at 9.45 am.

If anyone would like to join those preparing the church for Easter on Saturday (from 9.30 am) – cutting grass, tidying etc, you are very welcome.

There are NO weekday services next week except Holy Communion – **moved to 10 am on Thursday** and Keeping Company at 3pm that afternoon.

Next week our 10 am service is followed by the APCM (this will be zoomed on the usual Sunday morning link).

The Collect

Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:
grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity.
Amen.

Post Communion

God of Life,
who for our redemption gave your only-begotten
Son to the death of the cross,
and by his glorious resurrection
have delivered us from the power of our enemy:
grant us so to die daily to sin,
that we may evermore live with him
in the joy of his risen life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord . Amen.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

34Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius. 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, 35but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. 36You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. 37That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: 38how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. 39We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; 40but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, 41not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 42He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. 43All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.' *Acts 10. 34-43*

The Gospel Reading

1On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women who had accompanied Jesus came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. 2They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, 3but when they went in they did not find the body. 4While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. 5The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. 6Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, 7that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.' 8Then they remembered Jesus' words, 9and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. 10Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. 11But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. 12But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened. *Luke 24. 1-12*

Sunday's Hymns:

- 147 Jesus Christ is risen today
- 136 Alleluia, alleluia give thanks
- 157 The day of resurrection
- 160 Thine be the glory

Thought for the week:

If you had been one of Jesus' first followers and you found his tomb empty, what would *you* have thought, or done?

We take the story of Jesus' resurrection in our stride, almost for granted, because we know it so well. It was not like that for the first followers of Jesus. Sometimes it is helpful to try to place ourselves in the shoes of other people – and as we do so with the resurrection we might also grasp why some people today also find it difficult to accept. Perhaps it is the very fact that it is unlikely that makes it the most plausible explanation for Jesus' empty tomb. And what we know of Jesus from the gospels – and our own experience – also suggests this. As the world and its people struggle today with a whole variety of challenges, perhaps our role as Christians is to prove that Jesus' resurrection means that there is always hope and a future – and to live it fully,



Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For ourselves – for our keeping of Easter
- For schools – staff and learners – for restful holidays
- For our coming APCM and for discernment for those who might stand for election to the PCC.
- For the people of Ukraine and Russia, and for the UN. For all world leaders. For peace.
- For our care for creation and sustainable living.
- For our ministry with children through Messy Church and Baby and Toddler group.
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in April: Charlotte Reay, Lucy Traut, Abigail and Jasmine Porro.
- For all those who live and work in St. Luke's Road.
- The sick and their carers : Monica Olley, Tony Boaks, Howard Baxter, Pamela Rivers, Julienne Grobler, Clarice, Andy, Dorothy Nicks, Ann Hockham, Irene, Pat Brooks, Joy Richmond, Andrew, Iris Brown, Jim Mundy.
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Jill Cotterill, John Cox, John Marshall, Eileen Sopp.
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in April: Peter Brown, Philip Agnew, David Sherwood, Elsie Talion, Josephine Eldridge, Myra Ford, Peter Petter, Len Reynolds, Paul Hill, Joan Carpenter, Betty Smith, Irene Weller, Doris Simpson, John Henry, Penelope Lawrence, Fiona Nunn, John Quinn, Lesley Griffiths, Doreen Headington, John Rogers, Vivienne Sewell, Roy Howton, Helen Poynter, Alma Rookie, Roger Bevitt, Diana Philps, Elsie Cummings, Pamela Neville, Bertha Selby, Virginia Mzorori-Murwisi, Dorothy Main, Philip Davies, Alan Coombs, Keith Morris, Ernie Thomas, Brenda Clark, Brian Pitts, Patricia Lovering, Brian Beard, Rita Redhead, Maureen Williams, Reginald Jacobs, Frank Hepburn, Alice Smith, George Hayward, John McLean.

Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 17th April 2022:

Sunday	Psalm 114	John 2. 13-22	
Monday	Psalm 111	Exodus 12.1-14	1 Corinthians 15.1-11
Tuesday	Psalm 112	Exodus 12.14-36	1 Corinthians 15.12-19
Wednesday	Psalm 113	Exodus 12.37-end	1 Corinthians 15.20-28
Thursday	Psalm 114	Exodus 13.1-16	1 Corinthians 15.29-34
Friday	Psalm 115	Exodus 13.17-14.14	1 Corinthians 15.35-50
Saturday	Psalm 116	Exodus 14.15-end	1 Corinthians 15.51-end

Rotas for next week:

Sunday 24th April, Easter I, in church and on zoom

Read: James Ellins Intercede: Dorothy Strack-Hankey

Welcomers: Aaron, Lisa

Our church is floodlit at night.

*This week the floodlighting has been sponsored by
Kath Davies, in memory of Phil.*



To sponsor the floodlighting please fill in the form at the back of church or email the parish office: admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk

There are lots of available weeks now to fill.

What's on...

This week:

Thursday 14 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 2.00 pm, Teas (Community Hall) 6.00 – 8.00 pm, Church open 8.00 pm. Holy Communion for Maundy Thursday, followed by Watch 11.45 pm, Compline
Friday 15 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom, 11.00 am, Walk of Witness 1.00pm, An hour at the Cross 2.00 pm, The Last Hour 3.15 pm Evening Prayer on zoom
Saturday 16 th	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom Church decorating 4.00 pm, Easter Egg Hunt
Sunday 17 th	8.00 am, Easter Day service in Kidwells Park 8.45 am, Breakfast in church – open to all 9.45 am, Lighting of the Paschal Candle, leading to Parish Communion, in church and on zoom
Thursday 21 st	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 10.00 am, Holy Communion, followed by coffee 3.00 pm, Keeping Company
Sunday 24 th	10.00 am, Parish Communion, in church and on zoom 11.15 am, APCM 6.00 pm, Sundays at Six: Stations of the Resurrection at ChoGS, Cox Green

The APCM: is on **Sunday 24th April**, at 11.15 (ish) after the 10 am service. The **Church Electoral Roll** is now closed and in display for checking at the back pf church.

Lent charity. It is not possible to hold our usual Lent lunches again this year, but everyone is warmly invited to donate to a Lenten Offertory. This might be by simply giving, by missing a meal or a treat and giving the money it would have cost, or any other means. There will be a Lent Charity Fund box in church each week between now and Good Friday. Proceeds will be split between the humanitarian relief for Ukraine and the work of FACE (the Friends of the Anglican Church in Ethiopia) where a new diocese of Gambella is being established.

Confirmation. We are delighted that Bishop Olivia will be leading a confirmation service (for the Deanery) at 10 am on Sunday 19th June. Please speak to one on the ministry team asap if you, or anyone you know, would like to be confirmed then.

Platinum Jubilee Street Party: the church is planning to host a street party at lunchtime on Sunday 5th June for the congregation and surrounding streets. If you would like to help out at all please speak to Revd. Sally, or John or Rita Salter, or come to the next meeting on Thursday 28th April at 7pm in church.

Our Regular activities:

The 8.00 Holy Communion service will continue to be monthly, on the 2nd Sunday.

Midweek Holy Communion is at 10 am weekly, followed by coffee

Baby and Toddler group meets on Thursdays, 9.30 – 11.00 am. We meet in church.

Messy Church continues on the first (usually) Friday, monthly, 4-5pm. The next is 6th May. Email Revd. Sally to book a place.

Keeping Company is our monthly meeting for those bereaved (at any time). Third Thursday at 3pm, in church. The next is 26th May (NB fourth week not third).

Thursday Teas meets in the community hall offering tea, cake and conversation. Second Thursdays monthly. Next is 12th May.

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, 4th Thursdays monthly. The next is 28th April.

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 and here:

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

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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81459090925?pwd=Y2hKZkFYZ04zbGZBd1BHcmllU5Hdz09>

Meeting ID: 814 5909 0925

Passcode: 180609

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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88677688468?pwd=WnF3aEQ2dTdLYjB1dDEvQ2YwcTJJZz09>

Meeting ID: 886 7768 8468

Passcode: 132142

Sundays at Six:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83058792852?pwd=NWQ2dzJNRzZJRGdRejJUa0pQOTBJZz09>

Meeting ID: 830 5879 2852

Passcode: 936128

Gaynor's Gift: Prayer Shawl Ministry 3pm, 4th Thursday, monthly

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87303393953?pwd=L003Witra0E2RmExeEZiSjJbS9zQT09>

Meeting ID: 873 0339 3953

Passcode: 445440