



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 19th December 2021 Advent 4, & Boxing Day, Parish Communion double issue!!

Our service this Sunday, the fourth of Advent, is Parish Communion at 10 am. Our traditional candlelit Carol service is at 6pm and does not need to be booked, though distancing will be observed, and face coverings MUST be worn. It can also be accessed via zoom using the usual Sundays at Six link.

Christmas service details (assuming no further government restrictions)

Christmas Eve:

4.00 pm Candlelit Crib service, also on zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83499140473?pwd=Um0xZ3JGSEtxREJFUTBGa3FiYlhlZz09>

Meeting ID: 834 9914 0473

Passcode: 412807

10.00 pm Midnight Mass (not zoomed)

Christmas Day:

10.00 am Christmas Communion, also on zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84359481429?pwd=czUydDJTU2lFMDBlaE93bitlK016dz09>

Meeting ID: 843 5948 1429

Passcode: 657565

Boxing Day (Sunday 26th):

10.00 am Parish Communion (not zoomed)

The next service will then be All Age Holy Communion for the Feast of the Epiphany on 2nd January, with the Epiphany Carol service at 6pm, which will be on zoom.

Morning Prayer continues daily, this week: Tuesday – Saturday on Zoom, at 8.30 am (9 am on Sat.)

Evening Prayer, on Fridays at 5pm also on zoom. We are now using the Advent order of service – on the app or the CofE website.

Thought for the week:

As the Christmas bells ring out over Bethlehem next weekend, the town (now not so little, but a sprawling mass) will be quiet. After hopes of a return to tourism and a welcome back to pilgrims, omicron has put paid to any chance of a joyful celebration to welcome the birth of God incarnate, and means an even gloomier future for locals who rely on the visitors for their living.

God is still incarnate – living right in the middle of the mess – that is what incarnation means. We should pray for those privileged to live where divinity trod, that Jesus' touch might help them to cope with the toughness of life there right now – very little different to 2000 years ago.



Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 19th December:

Sunday	Psalm 144	Revelation 2.6-end	
Monday	Psalm 46	Malachi 1. 1, 6-end	Matthew 19. 1-12
Tuesday	Psalm 121	Malachi 2. 1-16	Matthew 19. 13-15
Wednesday	Psalm 124	Malachi 2.17-3.12	Matthew 19.16-end
Thursday	Psalm 130	Malachi 3.13 – end 4	Matthew 23.1-12
Friday	Psalm 45	Nahum 1	Matthew 23.13-28
Christmas Day	Psalm 110	Isaiah 62. 1-5	Matthew 1. 18-end

Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 26th December:

Sunday	Psalm 13	Acts 6	
Monday (St. John)	Psalm 21	Exodus 33.12-end	1 John 2.1-11
Tuesday (Holy Innocents)	Psalm 36	Genesis 37. 13-20	Matthew 18.1-10
Wednesday	Psalm 19	Jonah 1	Colossians 1.1-14
Thursday	Psalm 113	Jonah 2	Colossians 1.15-23
Friday	Psalm 102	Jonah 3-4	Colossians 1.24-2.7
Saturday (Circumcision)	Psalm 103	Genesis 17.1-13	Romans 2.17-end

Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For our keeping of a holy Christmas – for space in the middle of the busyness
- For the lonely, sick and homeless, for some love to be shown them this Christmas
- For our care for creation and sustainable living.
- For all children, especially those in need, and for the work of the Children’s Society
- For Arlo, baptised last week and for Lauren and Jamie, to be married on 31st.
- For caution as Covid 19 infections remain high.
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in December: Luke Hulks, Carys Cox, Herbie Prater, Lily Edmonds,
- For all those who live and work in Prince Andrew Road, Ray Lea close.
- The sick and their carers : Monica Olley, Tony Boaks, Howard Baxter, John Cox, Pamela Rivers, Julianne Grobler, Clarice, Eunice Moffett, Jim Mundy, Andy, Dorothy Nicks, Ann Hockham, Irene, Ann Darracott, Pat Brooks, Joy Richmond, Jean Tyrwhitt-Drake.
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Jean Judd, David Jesson
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in December: John Norris, Peggy Swansborough, Eileen Pond, David Sawyers, Robert Gardener, John Sheppard, Peter Brown, John Dickson, Anne Seagrove, Roy Horsham, Peggy Harris, Colin Bowerman, Robert Gill, Pamela Barber, Sheila Mayers, Joyce Bryant, Isabella Monk, David Jones, Bernard Bowdery, Patricia Walker, Roy Goff.

Rotas for the next two weeks:

26th December, St. Stephen / Boxing Day , Parish Communion, in church

Read: Don Luff

Intercede: Revd. Sally

Welcomers: TBC

Antibac: no need

2nd January , The Feast of the Epiphany, All Age Holy Communion, in church and on zoom

Read: Sue Hinchliffe

Intercede: Ruth Sheppard

Welcomers: John, Sue & Ralph

Antibac: Mike & Lisa

Our church is floodlit at night.

*This week the floodlighting has been sponsored by Sue Curley,
In loving memory of Michael Curley*



What's on...

This week:

Friday 17 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 5.00 pm Evening Prayer 8.00 pm, Choir practice
Saturday 18 th	9.00 am, Morning Prayer
Sunday 19 th	10.00 am, Parish Communion, in church and on zoom 6.00 pm, Carol Service, in church and on zoom
Tuesday 21 st	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
Wednesday 22 nd	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 10.00 am Holy Communion (with prayer for healing), 10.30 am coffee
Thursday 23 rd	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
Friday 24 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
<i>Christmas Eve</i>	4.00 pm, Crib service 10.00 pm, Midnight Mass
Saturday 25 th	10.00 am, Christmas Communion
<i>Christmas Day</i>	
Sunday 26 th	10.00 am, Parish Communion
Friday 31 st	1.30 pm, wedding of Jamie and Lauren
Sunday 2 nd Jan.	10.00 am, All Age Holy Communion in church and on zoom 6.00 pm, Epiphany Carol service, on zoom

Please note that the ministry team will all be on leave immediately after Christmas, and the office will be closed until 4th January. In an emergency most PCC members have my mobile number and can contact me.

There are NO services in church or on zoom from 27th December – 2nd January (with the exception of a wedding!).

Christmas cards: there is a table at the back of church on which people can leave cards for other church members. Please leave them in alphabetical order in single piles and please do not pick up cards once down unless they are for you, or you are kindly delivering them to someone. Please note that any left on the table **will not be delivered** so please don't use this for folk you know will not be in church. You may wish to gel your hands before collecting your cards from the table.

Postage stamps as you receive Christmas cards, don't forget to save your stamps and put them in the box for used stamps at the back of church.

James Ellins has been in contact to say there is a **new scam** doing the rounds that his brother told him about requesting payment for a COVID passport. Someone he works with got caught in it, fortunately they only lost £5 but may also have given their bank details too. Please be alert and if in any doubt do not take this up.

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 (or just come at 10.30 for coffee!).

Baby and Toddler group meets on Thursdays, 9.30 – 11.00 am. We meet in church. Starts again 13th January.

Messy Church continues on the first (usually) Friday, monthly, 4-5pm. The next is then 7th January. 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 20th January.

Thursday Teas meets in the community hall offering tea, cake and conversation. Second Thursdays monthly. Next is 13th January.

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 27th January.

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:

2 nd January	Epiphany Carol Service, on zoom, Led by St. Luke's
16 th January	Night Prayer with reflection, on zoom Led by the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green
30 th January	Evensong and Benediction, in church at All Saints
6 th February	Night Prayer with reflection, on zoom Led by St. Luke's
20 th February	Iona Evening worship, on zoom Led by the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green
6 th March	Eucharist for St. David, in church at All Saints
20 th March	Lenten Reflections, on zoom Led by St. Luke's
3 rd April	Stations of the Cross, in church At All Saints
10 th April	Taize service, in church Led by the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green

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

Sunday Morning Worship:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87358197400?pwd=MTFxVINad1R6NEI6cVZ6TVJ5bGlzdz09>

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=Y2hKZkFYZ04zbGZBd1BHcmllldU5Hdz09>

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 19th Sept.

<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/87016448043?pwd=WVJ4VIAzZVBIWTdmTOVjVGM1Q3k5UT09>

Meeting ID: 870 1644 8043 Passcode: 303678

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