



# St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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**Week commencing: 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021**

**All Age Holy Communion, Trinity 18**

Our main service this Sunday will be **All Age Holy Communion** at 10 am, to which all are warmly invited in church and on zoom.

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

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

**Messy Church** happens this coming Friday from 4pm in church. We will explore the parable of the hidden treasure / great pearl through craft and games, simple worship and a two course meal for children. All are welcome. It would help catering if you could book a place by emailing Revd. Sally.

**Parish Prayer.** We commit to pray for our church and parish for a time every Thursday evening from now until Christmas. The church will be open from 6.45 – 7.45 pm each Thursday (coffee from 6.45, prayer from 7.00) for people to drop in and pray (together or at stations in church). If you would like to pray from home / work / your car/ wherever at that time too we will have a simple prayer card available from Sunday to help you.

It will be really good to commit to pray together at one time and seek God's guidance for the shape of our immediate future ministry.

**...and planning...**as part of this prayerful planning we offer two opportunities on 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 what God is calling us to individually. From 1pm – 3pm (over a baked potato lunch) anyone is welcome to join a discussion about how we might implement our current Mission Action Plan. Please sign up in church or by emailing / calling the office 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 on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October – all are welcome for whatever time you can offer.

## **Thought for the week:**

Today's gospel makes it very clear that children matter to Jesus. He takes them in his arms and blesses them. He encourages all people to have the same sort of faith that children do. It is easy to assume that children have a simplistic faith and just accept things 'because they are'. In fact, many children have an ability to question deeply ('but why', we hear children cry) and to think outside the box. It would not hurt as, as adults. To do the same sometimes.



*Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October:*

Sunday	Psalm 123	Luke 12.1-12	
Monday	Psalm 80	1 Maccabees 3.1-26	Mark 15.1-15
Tuesday	Psalm 89.1-18	1 Maccabees 3.27-41	Mark 15.16-32
Wednesday	Psalm 119. 105-128	1 Maccabees 3.43-end	Mark 15.33-41
Thursday	Psalm 92	1 Maccabees 4.1-25	Mark 15.42-end
Friday	Psalm 88	1 Maccabees 4.26- 35	Mark 16.1-8
Saturday	Psalm 97	1 Maccabees 4. 36-end	Mark 16. 9-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 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 Moor
- 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.

**Rotas for next week: 10<sup>th</sup> October, Parish Communion, in church and on zoom**

Read: Shula Tajima

Intercede: Simon Bader

Welcomers: Aaron, Sue and Ralph

Antibac: Mike and Lisa

NB: we will continue to antibac after Sunday services as the church will be used on Monday evenings.

**Our church is floodlit at night.**

*This week the floodlighting has been sponsored  
by Kate Taylor,  
for Alix Burnage (RIP) and hr family*



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 1<sup>st</sup> October      9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom  
                                 4.00 pm, Messy Church  
                                 8.00 pm, Choir practice

Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00 am, All Age Holy Communion, in church and on zoom
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm WAMCF Ladies meeting (synagogue)
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 7.30 pm, Holy Communion 8.00 pm, PCC
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 10.00 am Holy Communion, 10.30 am coffee 8.00 pm, Contactors meeting (zoom)
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 9.30 – 11.00 am, Baby and Toddler group (church) 6.45 – 7.45 Parish prayer, in church
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

### Coming up:

**WAMCF Ladies group:** meets on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30 pm at Maidenhead Synagogue, Caron Kipping from DASH will speak about her book: Recognition to Recovery. We will also see the new patchwork wall hanging created by the group. All ladies welcome. Details from Revd. Sally.

**Patronal Festival:** Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 10 am. At the service we will dedicate new chalices, a legillum 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 that day (time TBC and rather than the 24<sup>th</sup> date published) as special Sundays at Six for our Patronal.

**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.

**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.

**Street Angels** is starting up again soon. Sadly, our numbers are much depleted with only 10 active Angels, so we will only be able to go out twice a month, on the 2nd and last Saturdays from 10pm until midnight. I am sure that a lot of our initial ministry will simply be as a listening ear for so many people who have suffered in different ways throughout the pandemic.

Recruitment is key to us continuing at a sustainable level, so if anyone is interested in joining us, or finding out more about us, please direct them to me. And it goes without saying that we would also welcome prayer support, as this valuable ministry restarts again. Jeanette Lock (07769 655507).

**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.

**Quench Bookshop trustees write:** It probably won't surprise you to learn that trading continues to be difficult, and like many small businesses, we face challenging times ahead. When the trustees met in September, they looked at financial projections to the year end in various different scenarios, namely looking at the possibility of shutting both shops after Christmas, shutting either the Wokingham or Maidenhead shop next year, or continuing to trade as we have been. Having looked at these detailed financial projections, none of the scenarios produced a result where we at least broke even, which is obviously a cause for concern. We have decided to look at the situation again in early December when we will have some idea of how the important Christmas trading period is going, and will then make some decisions about what to do going forward into 2022.

We believe that there needs to be an ongoing Christian presence in the high street and craft village, and we think you do too. There have been many amazing conversations with people over the years, particularly with people who find it much easier to walk in to a shop than to walk in to most churches, and we long to see that continue, but we cannot do it without your help.

*Firstly*, would you please pray for us? In particular, please pray for the trustees to hear clearly what God is saying.

*Secondly*, as well as using Quench yourselves, please encourage your friends and families to do likewise!

*Thirdly*, you may not be aware that Quench is a registered charity and we already receive financial support on a regular basis from a number of you, for which we are very grateful. Is this an area of mission that you or your church could contribute to?

Thank you for reading this far!! Please feel free to contact Jeremy Hyde, one of our trustees, if you require further information on any of the above. You can email him at [jeremy@quenchshops.com](mailto:jeremy@quenchshops.com) or phone him on 07909 917432.

### **Kilimamjaro climb:**

Jamie Piercy is due to me married to Lauren here in church on 31<sup>st</sup> December. Then he and 3 friends are climbing Kilimanjaro in February for a local berkshire charity called Daisy's Dream. You may like to sponsor them. This is the link to his giving account. It has all the details of the charity and what they do and how they help children and families in Berkshire.

[https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Jamie-Piercy?utm\\_source=whatsapp&utm\\_medium=fundraising&utm\\_content=Jamie-Piercy&utm\\_campaign=pfp-whatsapp&utm\\_term=420f6ed388b9471e93f39294ffd3a0c7](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Jamie-Piercy?utm_source=whatsapp&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=Jamie-Piercy&utm_campaign=pfp-whatsapp&utm_term=420f6ed388b9471e93f39294ffd3a0c7)

### **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 1<sup>st</sup> October.

**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=MTFxVINad1R6NEl6cVZ6TVJ5bGlzdz09>

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 9 am Tuesday - Saturday

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81459090925?pwd=Y2hKZkFYZ04zbGZBd1BHcmllldU5Hdz09>

Meeting ID: 814 5909 0925                      Passcode: 180609

**Zoom Evening Prayer** at 5pm on Fridays

<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=NWQ2dzJNRzZJRGdRejJUa0pQOTBJZz09>

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

If you know of someone who would like to receive this update and does not have access to the internet, please do print a copy for them. Please note that the church office is open on reduced hours so urgent communication should be to the vicarage telephone and my email. Vicar: The Reverend Sally Lynch (01628) 783033