

## St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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## Week Commencing: 9<sup>th</sup> November-Remembrance Sunday

This Sunday is Remembrance Sunday and we will have the usual Service of the Word at **10.20** am which will include the two minute silence. There will be a simple (quiet) activity for any children present. There will also be a service of Holy Communion at 8.00 am – to which everyone is warmly invited.

#### The Collect

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

God of peace,
whose Son Jesus Christ
proclaimed the kingdom
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:
look with compassion
on the anguish of the world,
and by your healing power
make whole both people and nations;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ

#### **First Reading**

<sup>1</sup>As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, <sup>2</sup>not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. <sup>3</sup>Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. <sup>4</sup>He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. <sup>5</sup>Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

<sup>13</sup>But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. <sup>14</sup>For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>15</sup>So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

<sup>16</sup>Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, <sup>17</sup>comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

2 Thessalonians 2. 1-5, 13-17

#### Gospel

27Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus, and asked him a question, 28'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. 29Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; 30then the second 31and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. 32Finally the woman also died. 33In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.'

34Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; 35but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. 36Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. 37And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. 38Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.

Luke 20. 27- 38

#### **Second Reading**

<sub>1</sub>In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills. Peoples shall stream to it, <sub>2</sub>and many nations shall come and say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.  $_3$ He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more;  $_4$ but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken.  $_5$ For all the peoples walk, each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever.

Micah 4. 1-5

#### **Third Reading**

50What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. 51Listen, I will tell you a mystery! We will not all die, but we will all be changed, 52in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. 53For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. 54When this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled:

'Death has been swallowed up in victory.'

'Where, O death, is your victory?

Where, O death, is your sting?'

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. 57But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

58Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labour is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15. 50-end

#### Sunday's Hymns:

765	Praise the Lord the Almighty
800	The Lords my shepherd
746	O God our help in ages past
578	The National Anthem (2 verses)
218	Thine be the Glory



#### Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For all those who serve in our armed forces and for the work of the Royal British Legion
- For all those who share in the communion of saints and for those who miss loved ones.
- For our PCC and church officers, and for those covering the vacancy.
- For the Rt Revd and Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally, nominated as the next Archbishop of Canterbury
- For the strengthening of our efforts to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth.
- For a just and sustainable peace in Ukraine and Russia, Palestine and Israel, and Sudan
- For our local schools and teachers and all children and young people in education.
- For a successful Christmas Tree Festival .... and for stamina and lots of helpers!
- For all those who live and work in St. Luke's Road
- For those baptised recently
- For all those whose anniversary of baptism falls in November: Poppie King-Couling, Karissa Obwianu, Harper Hutchinson
- The sick and their carers: Valerie Bosley, Bridget Morris, Jacqueline Lewis, Angela Baldwin, Baby Keeon, Aram Hakobian, Joan Lynch, Alicia Little, Ralph Hinchliffe, Harry, Andrew Sheppard, Jenny, Adam, John Cotterill, Barber Romaker
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Monica Olley, David Maguire, Beryl Crampin
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in November: Wayne Smith, Kenneth Rivers, Pamela Rivers, Dorothy Stanley, Penelope Bide, Tony Barber

#### Rotas for next week

Sunday 16th November: Second before Advent

Reader: Edgar Intercede: Beryl Nyere Chalice: Jamie Sound: Simon Welcomers: Kim, Lucy, Don Coffee: Simone and Season Children: Sam

#### Our church is floodlit at night.

The church floodlighting has not been sponsored this week

To sponsor the floodlighting please fill in the form at the back of church or email: <a href="mailto:admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk">admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk</a>

It is suggested the minimum donation for weekly sponsorship is £15.



#### What's on.... This week:

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> 8.00 am, Holy Communion

10.20 am, Remembrance Sunday

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> 8.30 am, Morning prayer on zoom Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> 8.30 am, Morning prayer on zoom

10.00am, Holy Communion

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> 8.30 am, Morning prayer on zoom

9.30am, Baby and Toddler

1.30pm, Thursday Teas
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> 8.30 am, Morning Prayer

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> 10.00 am, Parish Communion 6.00 pm, Choral Evensong

**Sundays at Six:** All Services are at 6.00pm Zoom link: use Sunday morning or as specified above

9 <sup>th</sup> Nov. at 6pm	All Souls Eucharist at All Saints
16 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Choral Evensong, at St. Luke's
30 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Taize service, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green
7 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Tree Festival Service, at St. Luke's (Tree Festival 5 <sup>th</sup> - 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec.)
21 <sup>st</sup> Dec. 6.00 pm	Carol Services at each church

### Christmas Tree Festival 2025! 5<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> December 2025

(Set up day Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>, Schools day Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>)

Christmas Tree Festival raffle – hamper donations needed: The star prize in our Festival raffle is always our wonderful hamper, and we need your help to make it truly irresistible! The more delicious the hamper contents, the more tickets we'll sell – and the more funds we'll raise for our church.

Please choose one or more items from the list at the back of church (or suggest a favourite of your own), write your name against your chosen item(s), and then bring in your donations from mid-November onwards. Thanks for your help to make this Festival the best one yet!

**Sponsoring and Decorating a tree** We have sent out forms to all previous sponsors. If you would like to sponsor and decorate a tree this year please complete a form and return it to Fiona or the church office asap. Copies of the letter and booking form are available at the back of church.

Jenny's Chocolate Biscuits This is a notice for those who have taken a recipe sheet from the basket at the back of church. Decorative Christmas bags and ties will be in the basket from 16th November. Please use these to create bags containing 7 or 8 biscuits, depending on size. The produce stall is being set up on Wednesday 3rd December. Bags can either be brought in then or we can collect beforehand. Please contact Ann Darracott (07761 221937), Dorothy Strack Hankey (07743 323635) or Isobel Davies (07586 785563). Many thanks.

#### **Our Regular activities:**

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

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

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

Messy Church continues on the first (usually) Friday, monthly, 4-5.30pm. next date 28<sup>th</sup> Nov. admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk to book a place.

**Keeping Company** is our monthly meeting for those bereaved (at any time). Third Thursday at 3pm, in church.

**Thursday Teas** meets in the community hall offering tea, cake and conversation. Second Thursdays monthly, 1.30 pm.

**Thursday Lunches** meets fourth Thursday of the month, usually at the Toby Cavery but please contact Jean Tyrwhitt-Drake on <u>Jeant-d2@outlook.com</u> for further details.

**Gaynor's Gift** is a prayer shawl knitting ministry that anyone can take part in at home. We meet together monthly to pray, knit and drink tea. 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays monthly.

# Please note that for Zoom services the links below are being used: Sunday Morning Worship:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87358197400?pwd=MTFxVlNad1R6NEl6cVZ6TVJ5bGlzdz09

Meeting ID: 873 5819 7400 Passcode: 526076

**Zoom Morning Prayer** at 8.30 am Tuesday – Friday (no Saturday during the vacancy) https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81459090925?pwd=Y2hKZkFYZ04zbGZBd1BHcmlldU5Hdz09

Meeting ID: 814 5909 0925 Passcode: 180609

