

The Parish of Cannock and Huntington

Building Community with Christ at the Centre

Parish News

Sunday 19th November 2023

The Second Sunday Before Advent

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The Church takes the safety of everyone within the church very seriously and expects that everyone will work within the church safeguarding policy. In particular, the Church expects anyone who becomes aware of a safeguarding risk or of actual abuse, to report it immediately to our Safeguarding Coordinator, Teresa Atherton

Collect

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation:
stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess
and revive in us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Readings

19th November	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Matthew 25:14-30
26th November	Ephesians 1:15-end	Matthew 25:31-end
3rd December	Isaiah 64:1-9	Mark 3:24-37
10th December	2 Peter:3:8-15a	Mark 1:1-8

Therefore encourage one another and build up each other as indeed you are doing.

1 Thessalonians 5:11

Prayer Page

Give Thanks For

- The PCC as they exercise their leadership
- The contact we have with schools we have in our parish
- Our Open Church Stewards
- The continuing work of the Fabric Team ensuring the repairs to St Luke's Church are done well

Pray for

- Five people who you know to come to know Jesus as Lord
- The conflict resolution between Israel and Palestine, Russia and Ukraine
- Steven Lycett as he prepares for his Baptism
- Please pray for the people living or working in these roads that God will bless them:

**Gratley Croft, Gravel Close, Gravel Lane,
Greenfields, Green Lane, Gresham Road**

**The Lord be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us. Help us to be a blessing to each other and our communities that your ways may be known among us. Let all the people praise you O God.
Let all the people praise you! Amen**



An invitation to join us for prayer as we
pray together for God's blessing and
empowerment for the ministry and
witness in our communities.

Every Tuesday & Thursday Morning Prayer at 9.15
in the Centre unless otherwise announced

In the afternoons at 3pm on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the
month at 13 Park Road.

The next Parish Prayer Meeting in Huntington will be on
7th December at 7.30pm—Venue to be confirmed

**Everyone is important and everyone has
a part to play**

Let's give thanks to the team who steward Open Church on Fridays
and Saturdays. Loving God we thank you for the team of stewards
opening your Church each week. Bless the conversations they have
with the people who visit, that your love for them will shine through.

Amen

Wanted for Christmas Tree festival



Cakes and scones

Mince pies



And for Christingle

Oranges please - Any donations would be appreciated.



St Thomas' Christmas Fayre



Saturday 2nd December

between 11.00am and 2.00pm.

There will be various stalls, raffle, tombola, hot and cold refreshments and visit from Santa.

Next Sunday 26th November, Steven Lycett is being baptised in the morning service at 9.30am. Please pray for Steven as he prepares for his baptism and come to support him. Steven invites you all to join him after the service to celebrate

his Baptism. He is providing a 'spread' of sandwiches and cakes and is looking forward to this time of fellowship together.



Christmas Tree Festival

Thursday 30th November — 1st December 2023

Could you help out during our Christmas Tree Festival? If so please complete a volunteer form. The committee are looking for donations (for the whole Festival) of Mince pies and Cakes (no teacakes please). If you can help with this please drop them off at the Parish Office/Church.





Friday 1st December 7.30pm

St Luke's Church Festive Evening

with the Choir Tickets £5

From Parish Office, Wardens or Jane Coxon

St Luke's Mothers Union and Friendship Group Carol Concert

Monday 11th December 2pm in Church
followed by refreshments
in the Church Centre afterwards.



We would appreciate it if you could let Madeline/
Warden/Parish Office know if you will be coming for
catering purposes.

Are you able to donate raffle prizes for this event?



*Perhaps its time to start bringing in
some festive goodies?*

*Please be generous and help those who
have less than yourself* WE'VE GOT PLENTY OF: SOUP, BEANS
AND PASTA.

WEEKLY NEEDED FOOD ITEMS: TINNED MEAT, RICE PUDING,
TINNED FRUIT, JAM, SQUASH AND UHT MILKPLUS CARRIER
BAGS.



Please consider making a donation to the
'Flower Fund' in memory of someone or to give
thanks for someone or something special.

Please leave gifts in envelopes marked clearly
with 'Flower Fund' with Church Warden.

This Week's Diary

Mon	20th	2.00pm	Friendship Group	Centre
Tue	21st	9.15am	Morning Prayer	Centre
Wed	22nd	10.00am	Holy Communion	St Luke's
		4.15pm	Doug Organ Lesson	St Luke's
		7.30pm	Bell ringing practice	St Luke's
Thurs	23rd	9.15am	Morning Prayer	Centre
		3.00pm	Prayer Meeting	Park Road
		7.00pm	Wedding Rehearsal	St Luke's
Fri	24th	10.30am	Church Opening	St Luke's
		3.00pm	Funeral Ransome	St Thomas'
		7.00pm	Choir Practice	St Luke's
Sat	25th	10.00am	Visiting Ringers	St Luke's
		10.30am	Church Opening	St Luke's
		3.00pm	Wedding	St Luke's
Sun	26th	8.00am	Holy Communion	St Luke's
		9.30am	Morning Worship	St Luke's
		12.30am	Holy Baptism	St Luke's
		11.00am	Holy Communion	St Thomas'

Let the **Parish Office** know by **Wednesday**
if your club is meeting!



The Cross in My Pocket—a lovely small gift to give to friends and neighbours and are easy to slip into a Christmas card. Handmade cross-stitch pockets with poem are available to buy £1.25 each at the

back of the church. Funds going to St. Luke's Church

Covid is still about

If you take risks you are not caring for others!

Please **DO NOT** come to church if you are feeling under the weather

Services Week Beginning

26th November

St Luke's

Sunday 8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Morning Prayer with adult Baptism

Tuesday 28th 9.15am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 29th 10am Holy Communion

Thursday 30th 9.15am Morning Prayer

St. Thomas'

11.00am Holy Communion

We look forward to seeing you

Why not bring a friend?



A free phone line of hymns,
reflections and prayers



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