



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead



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Week commencing: 14th February 2021 The Last Sunday before Lent

As we keep this last Sunday before Lent begins, do think about how you will keep Lent this year. We have already had almost a year of (relative) privations and so this year might be a good opportunity to do some reading or spend time reflecting on God's goodness to us, reconnecting with someone by phone or online, or engaging in research or online action with or for a particular concern, such as the environment or poverty. It is also a good time to pray and to use the little booklets we delivered a week or so ago. My 'schoolfriends' and I are also really enjoying using the 'Friendly February' calendar. I wonder what March will bring?!

Do sign up personally for the diocesan Lent materials, Come and See. Go to <https://www.oxford.anglican.org/come-and-see/> and scroll down to click 'register'. You will receive a daily reflection in Lent. Revd. Sally has a few hard copies for those who don't have access to a computer and you could also order your own. We will be using Bishop Steven's messages during our Sunday morning services in Lent.



Morning Prayer continues daily,
Tuesday – Saturday on Zoom at 9am;
Evening Prayer, Friday at 5pm.

Ash Wednesday: 17th February

It is not too late to book a place at the 10 am or 8pm service that day – ring or email Revd. Sally
An order of service is attached to the weekly email and on our website. 8pm service zoom details:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81826276512?pwd=ZHhzODlUdFF2MFJ5SUUrdmd0RUlWdz09>

Meeting ID: 818 2627 6512

Passcode: 103713

Dial in possible too.

Sundays at Six continues on Zoom at 6pm on first and third Sundays each month. The next is on 21st February, and will be led by Revd. Phyl.

Roots at Home:

<https://www.rootsontheweb.com/lectionary/2021/111-january-february-2021-b/transfiguration/roots-at-home>

Thought for the week:

Before he can face the cross in Jerusalem, Jesus is glorified and hears his Father's reassurance that he is 'beloved'. As we face tough times, we are assured also of God's utter and unconditional love for us as we hang on to memories of good times.



Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 14th February are:

Sunday	Psalm 150	2 Corinthians 3.12-18	
Monday	Psalm 44	Jeremiah 1	John 3. 1-21
Tuesday	Psalm 48	Jeremiah 2.1-13	John 3. 22-end
Ash Wednesday	Psalm 38	Daniel 9.3-6, 17-19	1 Timothy 6.6-19
Thursday	Psalm 77	Jeremiah 2.14-32	John 4. 1-26
Friday	Psalm 3	Jeremiah 3.6-22	John 4. 27-42
Saturday	Psalm 71	Jeremiah 4.1-18	John 4. 43-end

Prayer suggestions for this week:

- Give thanks for vaccines for Covid19 and pray for those rolling out the programme
- For rest and refreshment for children, staff, and home-schooling parents over half term
- For every family bereaved through Covid 19, and all others too
- Pray with our Archbishops, for our nation
- For our keeping of a holy Lent
- That we might be kind to each other – in ‘thought, word and deed’
- For all NHS staff, carers, Care Home staff and those caring for the sick
- For our care for God’s world
- For our prayer shawl ministry, and those who will receive shawls, in love
- For our brothers and sisters of faith at the Synagogue, Mosques, Gurdwara and elsewhere
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in February: Isaac Smalley and Elsie-Rae Jarnak
- For all those who live and work in Holmanleaze
- The sick and those who care for them: Monica Olley, Stan Swansborough, Tony Boaks, Mick Curley, Mick Hine.
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Ella Pierce
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in February: Peter Sharp, Edward Dobson, Beryl Horsham, Valerie Merkel, Robert Crick, Daphne Lewis, Kenneth Dovey, Richard West, Helena Eaton, Doreen Leverkus, Monica Macaulay Brown, Jean Glossop, Doreen Palmer, Melanie Stuij, Rodgers Murwisi, Peter Curtis, Harvey Lovegrove, and Joan Bartholomew
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Rotas for next service: 21st February

Read: Ann Burdett Intercede: Dorothy Strack-Hankey

Our church is floodlit at night.

*This week the floodlighting has been sponsored this week by Jeanette Lock
‘In memory of my husband, Stephen, who died 5 years ago this month,
and to give thanks to God for the blessing of grandchildren’*



To sponsor the floodlighting just call or email Revd. Sally. There are plenty of weeks available this year.

What’s on...

Lent course: will run on Wednesday mornings at 11 am and Thursday evenings at 7.30 pm for 90 minutes. The two sessions each week will be the same. The course booklet costs £5 if you’d like your own hard copy (we have one left) or they can be found online:

<https://llf.churchofengland.org/pluginfile.php/69/course/section/74/LLF%20Web%20Version%20The%20Course.pdf>

Zoom links:

Wednesday: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87204057445?pwd=RWtCS2xFelZ5VUcrSDlqeHY4TGFDdz09>

Meeting ID: 872 0405 7445

Passcode: 441510

Thursday:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89179240683?pwd=V0d2dVdueWVhOVJxa2NNWDdSeXBOUT09>

Meeting ID: 891 7924 0683

Passcode: 677112

If you would like to phone in please let Revd. Sally know and she will edit the link to allow this.

Keeping Lent

Here are some good books for Lent reading, all available from Amazon Smile (for St Luke's) or Quench (online, see below) or Church House Bookshop online:

- Thy will be done, Stephen Cherry (Lord's prayer)
- Rooted in love, Sarah Mullally (daily readings)
- At home in Lent, Gordon Giles (everyday objects)
- The way of Julian of Norwich, Sheila Upjohn (Julian reflection)
- A cross in the heart of God, Samuel Wells (God's love)
- Walking in the way of the cross, Stephen Cottrell and Paula Gooder (Biblical stations of cross)
- Living His story, Hannah Steele (everyday faith)
- And, of course, the Love Lent booklet you should have, and there are many more books to browse.

World Day of Prayer, Friday 5th March

This year the service is likely to be live-streamed from various points around the world. The committee will be producing instructions for these, available next week. We have a limited number of service books which will be on a first come, first served basis. If people have not the technology I will try to prioritise them for a book so that they can follow and pray on that day. When I know how many are needed I will collect them and arrange for them to be delivered.

There will be more information next week but meanwhile could anyone interested think about making a donation as the only income is from the yearly service. Details next week.

Ruth Sheppard

Footprints, child loss service. this beautiful annual for anyone (parent, grandparent r others) who have lost a child at any time is usually held at the cathedral but this year is far mor accessible online. This link gives date, time and login details.

https://mcusercontent.com/14501d5eebc3e98fa3015a290/files/da60fadb-9f4b-4244-a76c-eb07a003101d/Footprints_Poster.pdf

Keeping busy

Inspire: Ruth (Admin) is going to pull together another edition of Inspire. Do email articles to the parish office by 28th February. Ideas: how you coped with the pandemic, recipes for Lent, book reviews, photos, poems and short stories, what God has been saying to you... And THANK YOU for all so far received!

Prayer Shawl Ministry it is never too late to join in this beautiful simple knitting ministry. Details are on our website and Revd. Terrie can tell you more. Next get together: 3pm, Thursday 18th February:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84874518710?pwd=eFFwSEd5SS9NdmdTdDVlQXlCRlBWUT09>

Meeting ID: 848 7451 8710

Passcode: 078376

Sharing reading with children: here's an idea that may appeal to families and older people, to take some stress from parents and encourage older folk. Are there any parents who would value having another adult (of any age!) listen to their child read on Zoom (or read a story to them), and any

adults who would like to do that? If so, please let Revd. Sally know and we will set up a system and pairing – with a full risk assessment and proper safeguarding in place.

The Joy of Movement Exercise to music for the over 50's

Every Tuesday from 12th January to 16th February 2021, 6pm to 7pm via ZOOM

JOIN US Send an email to Paul: samuelsberks@aol.com

Books and jigsaws: Nicola Jones has kindly offered to coordinate book and jigsaw swaps – contact her directly on nicojo@btinternet.com.

Quench is now taking orders for the Real Easter Egg - fairtrade chocolate, palm oil free, no plastic packaging and the added bonus of sharing the real message of Easter! The Original Milk Chocolate Eggs are £4.50, Dark are £5.50 and the Specials are £9.99. GOOD NEWS! This year sees the introduction of a white chocolate edition for £4.50! As usual, each one comes with an Easter story/activity booklet. The Special Edition also comes with an orange milk chocolate bar and a limited edition A5 Easter Card. Please email admin@quenchshops.com to place your order ASAP (ideally by 3rd Feb) Thank you! (If we are unable to open in time for Easter, we will deliver within a 10 mile radius of the shop)

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:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83960514349?pwd=YUxYSVZSVjF1cDVTdS85cDRIZm95UT09>

Meeting ID: 839 6051 4349

Passcode: 945101

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