



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 1st March 2020

First Sunday of Lent

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am All Age Holy Communion

President: Revd. Sally Lynch

Preacher: Revd. Sally Lynch

**6.00pm Sundays at Six: Holy Communion for St. David's Day
at All Saints Church**

If you are new to St. Luke's please do make yourself known to the ministers or a member of the Welcome Team, who can give you a contact slip to complete and a welcome card with information about our 10am service.

Please do join us after the 10.00am service for coffee which will be served in the fellowship area at the back of church.

You may like to prepare for worship by praying quietly using your own words or these:

Jesus calls to us where we are.

*Lord, today we are gathered together as your
family,*

ready to listen for your call.

May our hearts be quiet and expectant.

Amen.



We take all aspects of safety very seriously at St Luke's.

Please do take care with hot drinks.

Details of our safeguarding team are on the noticeboard by the door .

Should you have any concerns, please do speak to someone.

The Readings for Today

A Reading from the Book of Exodus

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden"?' The woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die."' But the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Exodus 2.15-17, 3.1-7

A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' But he answered, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."'

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."'

Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."'

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."'

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Matthew 4.1-11

For your own reading, the other lectionary readings set for today
are: Romans 5.12– 19 Psalm 32



Collect

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted
forty days in the wilderness, and was
tempted as we are, yet without sin:
give us grace to discipline ourselves
in obedience to your Spirit;
and, as you know our weakness,
so may we know your power to save;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

The Post Communion Prayer

Lord God,
you have renewed us
with the living bread from heaven; by
it you nourish our faith, increase our
hope, and strengthen our love:
teach us always to hunger
for him who is the true and living
bread, and enable us to live by every
word that proceeds
from out of your mouth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Processional

Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness;
And all these things
shall be added unto you.
Allelu, Alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
Seek, and you shall find.
Knock, and the door
shall be opened up to you.
Allelu, Alleluia!

Man shall not live by bread alone,
But by every word
That proceeds from the mouth of God.
Allelu, Alleluia!

What's happening...? See below, and check out our website too

WORSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY

This mornings hymns at 10am:

P:	See above	Seek ye first
G:	95	Forty days and forty nights
O:	386	Be thou my vision
HC:	416(ii)	Father, hear the prayer we offer
R:	538	O Jesus I have promised

Holy Communion and community meal: Please note there will be no Holy Communion or community meal this Tuesday (3rd March). Anyone who wishes to attend the training on using the new diocesan action planning tool is very welcome to join us – 7pm that evening. Book now via Sally.

#LiveLent App: The Church of England has created a free Lent app with daily reflections centred around ‘Care for God’s Creation’. You can sign up at <https://www.churchofengland.org/livelent>

Confirmation: The date of confirmation has been changed to **Sunday 14th June**, at Bray church. This is the only one really available to us this year. If you, or anyone you know of, is thinking about confirmation please have a word with Revd. Sally in the first instance so that we can start preparations.

WAMCF Dialogues: The next WAMCF Interfaith dialogues: Wednesday 18th March at St. Edwards Catholic Church, Windsor, and Thursday 30th April at Maidenhead Synagogue. 7.30pm-8.30pm. All welcome.

Lent The Lent course starts this week on Wednesday at 11am and Thursdays at 8pm. Those two sessions will be the same each week so that you can attend one or the other as convenient week by week. We are following the course: “Exploring God’s Mercy” by Steven Croft. Do also pick up a Lent Leaflet which summarises all our Lenten opportunities and offers a little guidance on keeping Lent fruitfully.

The booklet LiveLent– Love God’s Creation is also available at £2.

LGBTI+ Chaplaincy Service: The Diocese has announced a new chaplaincy for LGBTI+ people, their families and friends. The Chaplaincy offers non-judgmental listening and support, and prayerful affirmation. The service aims to provide a safe space and dignity for every person at a time when these cannot be taken for granted. For more details see posters around church and visit the website oxford.anglican.lgbt

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: Revd. Sally is leading a pilgrimage from 21-30th Sept 2021. Flyers and details at the back of church or from Sally herself.

Easter Lilies: As usual we will have lilies in church on Easter Sunday to commemorate lost loved ones. If you would like to donate a lily in memory of someone add their name to the list at the back of church and add your donation to the pot. (As a guide, lilies cost around £3 each).

INFORMATION

APCM: The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place at 11.30am on Sunday 15th March 2020 in church. This is preceded by the Annual Meeting of Parishioners to elect our Churchwardens.

The APCM is when the PCC reports on its activities during the year and the financial state of the church. Elections also take place for Churchwardens and PCC Members.

Nominations are now required for the 2 Churchwardens, 4 PCC Members and 3 Deanery Synod Representatives. The nomination forms for all the elections are on the table at the rear of church. Please complete the appropriate form with your nomination and place in the folder provide. Please ensure you use correct form for position you are nominating someone for. Don't forget that the person you are nominating must sign the form agreeing to their nomination. Ralph Hinchliffe, PCC Secretary.

Inspire: The next issue will be out in April. Please send articles, pictures etc to stlukes.inspire@gmail.com (or give me paper copies) by 9pm on Wednesday 1st April. Please remember this is a new email address. Thank you, Louisa

All Church Key Holders: We have a Quinquennial Inspection later in the year and to be prepared it is necessary to update the Key Register. Please could all key holders contact John Salter, Church Warden with their keys so he can verify or add their name to the Register. Thank you.

SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING

"St Luke's Tours - Holiday to Sussex and Kent: Friday May 29th to Sunday 31st to Sussex and Kent, staying in a seafront hotel in Eastbourne. On the way down we will visit the flower festival in Chichester cathedral, we will have a day visiting Romney Marsh and Rye, and on the way back we will visit Beachy Head, Bexhill on sea, and Scotney Castle. For further details see the brochures at the back of church or speak to Richard or Ann Burdett".

Britain after Brexit: Whatever your opinion on Brexit, one of the unfortunate aspects was the outbreak of social tensions and lack of civility resulting from the Brexit referendum in 2016 and subsequent wranglings. In response, there will be a local debate on how to heal the wounds, bring all sides together, look at ways to move forward, and determine what goals we have in common. There will be four (non-political) speakers (including Revd Sally) talking about their vision for the future, both for the country at large and with a special focus on Maidenhead. It will be followed discussion in small groups for everyone there, and ending with a plenum session. The only rule will be that no one talks about the past or says if they were remainer/leaver - as the object is to abandon labels and old divisions and concentrate on positive ways ahead. It will be held in the Desborough Suite in the Town Hall, St Ives Road, Maidenhead SL6 1RF on Thursday 26th March at 8.00 pm (ending 9.45 pm) . Entry is free, but you have to register in advance <https://>

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/britain-after-brexit-tickets-92326704659. Places are limited, so please apply as soon as possible.

SOME OF OUR REGULAR ACTIVITES

Prayer Meeting: First Wednesday monthly at 3pm. Next one is tomorrow (4th March).

Keeping Company (previously Seeking Solace) : Monthly get together for the bereaved. Next one is Monday 2nd March

Generations Café second Wednesdays 10.45 am - coffee and conversation for mums with young babies and the not so young. Next one 11th March

Messy Church: First Friday monthly 3.30pm-5.30pm with craft, storytime and a two course meal for £1.50 per child. Next one Friday 6th March

Thursday Teas: Second Thursday monthly in the Community Hall at 2pm. Next one is 12th March

Thursday Lunches: Lunch in a local pub on the last Thursday of the month . Leaving church at 11.45pm. The next one is this Thursday 26th March. Speak to Jean T D or Phyllis S for more details.

Café Church: Informal worship at 4pm, 2nd Sunday monthly with tea and cake. The next one is 8th March.

Interfaith Community meal: a meal for anyone in the community to join and eat together. Every Tuesday at 6.00pm, here in church. All welcome.

Baby and Toddler group: Thursdays, 9.30am-11.15am term time, in the community hall.

Christenings: Baptism preparation is now via monthly 'Play and Stay' sessions for families. Next one is Saturday 7th March at 9.45am-11.00am.



HALLELUJAH
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The choirs of Maidenhead Synagogue and St Luke's Church invite you to a celebration of our faiths in song

Sunday 7th June, 3pm

St Luke's Church
Norfolk Road
Maidenhead SL6 7AX

Admission will be by ticket only: £7.00 each for adults, children under 16 free. Refreshments will be included.

Apply to Maidenhead Synagogue Office: 01628 673012, admin@maidshul.org

Or apply to St Luke's Church Office: 01628 622733, admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk

All profits will go to the Alexander Devine Children's Hospices, Maidenhead, charity number 1118947.

The floodlighting has been sponsored this week by:

Sally Somerville.

“Happy Birthday Roslin Mary”



For your prayers

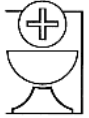
(to add anyone to the list, notify the office but please have the permission of the person being prayed for)



- For a fruitful Lent
- For peace between people and nations.
- For Bishop Olivia in the first year of her episcopacy, and for Bishop Colin, 'holding' the diocese during Bishop Steven's sabbatical.
- For peace in our nation, as we leave the E.U. and for generosity in negotiations for a future relationship with Europe.
- For all those currently affected by the coronavirus outbreak
- For the diocese LGBTI+ chaplaincy
- For our planning for and living out our mission.
- The ministry of Quench our Christian bookshop
- For children and young people
- For Sebastian and Jonas and Ryan and Ritchie all baptised recently
- Those whose anniversary of baptism fall in March: Henry Weber, Olivia Carter, and Robyn Nash
- For all those who live and work in Castle Hill
- The sick and those who care for them: Stephen Sands, John Francis, Pat Lovering, Tony Lucas, and Revd Richard Holroyd
- Those who died recently, and those who mourn them: Peter Curtis, Joan Bartholomew
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in March: Lillian Vizard, Edgar Walford, Anthony Wright, Anna Meredith, Rex Hugo, Audry Eggleton, Arthur Harris, Brian King, Sandy Raffan, Ernest Gammon, Marjery Lawson, Dora Newcombe, Ellen Ritson, Victor Garroway, Christine Sawyers, Caroline Wood, Robert Russell, Jacqueline Mundy Alan Moss, and Beryl Bintcliffe

This week at St. Luke's-

Everyone is welcome to all our services and activities



Monday 2nd March 3.00pm Keeping Company

Office open 9.30am-11am

Tuesday 3rd March 8.30am Morning Prayer
NO Interfaith Community Meal
NO Holy Communion

Office open 9.30am-11am

Wednesday 4th March 7.00pm Diocesan Training Course, here
8.30am Morning Prayer
10.00am Holy Communion

Office open 9.30 am-11 am

Thursday 5th March 11.00am Lent Course
3.00pm Prayer Group
8.30 am Morning Prayer
5.00pm Evening Prayer

Friday 6th March 8.00pm Lent Course
8.30am Morning Prayer
10.15am Stretch and Breathe

Saturday 7th March 3.30pm Messy Church
8.00pm Choir Practice
9.00am Morning Prayer
9.45am Baptism Play and Stay

Sunday 8th March **Second Sunday of Lent**

8.00 am **Holy Communion**

10.00 am **Parish Communion**

President: The Revd. Sally Lynch

Preacher: Reverend Nicholas Cheeseman

4.00pm **Café Church**

6.00pm **Sundays at Six: Compline, here**

Next weeks readings: Genesis 12.1-4a John 3.1-17

Rota for Sunday 8th March under Duty Warden: John Salter

Reader: OT: Ruth Sheppard **Acolytes:** Michael Masango, Shula Tajima

Elements: Enid Barber, Johanna Raffan **Chalice:** Jean TD

Intercessor: Dorothy S H **Coffee:** Rita and John Salter

Server at 8am: Rebecca Bryant **Crucifer at 10am:** Nicola Buckland

Welcome Team: 8am: Joan Harnby

10am: Eileen Goford, Ann Burdett, Dorothy S H

Church Cleaning: Judith Edwards, Sue Houlston, Sally Somerville -16th March

St. Luke's Church Office is open Mon Tues, Weds, 9.30 am - 11 am
Deadline for entries for this weekly pew sheet is 9.00 am on Tuesdays.

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