

# St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead



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## Week commencing: Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2020 Last Sunday after Trinity / Bible Sunday

A massive thank you to everyone who has made a thank offering to the church for all the blessings that God has given us. So far, we have received 21 Gift Day donations totalling over £4200 including the Gift Aid reclaim. Thanks be to God, indeed. It is not too late to make a donation. See last week's sheet, or the church website, for more details of online giving – or contact Richard, our treasurer.

Many of you will have heard by now the sad news that Janet Trinkwon passed away on Tuesday this week at the beautiful new Thames Valley Hospice. Please do keep Janet's family and her many friends at St. Luke's, the URC, and across Maidenhead, in your prayers, as we give thanks for the life and the love that she shared with us.

This Sunday is the last in the Trinity season and is often kept as Bible Sunday. Our 10.00 am service this week is a parish Communion Service, live, Zoomed and recorded.

**Don't forget to put your clocks back an hour on Saturday** to benefit from an extra hours sleep! The links to all of the Zoom services for the week will be posted in the text of the weekly email and on our website.

**Morning Prayer**, daily (except Monday) on Zoom

*Readings for the week beginning Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October are:*

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|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Sunday                   | Psalm 119. 137-152 | John 5. 36b-end       |                           |
| Monday                   | Psalm 126          | 2 Kings 21.1-18       | 1 Timothy 1. 1-17         |
| Tuesday                  | Psalm 132          | 2 Kings 22.1- 23.3    | 1 Timothy 1.18 – end of 2 |
| Wednesday (Simon & Jude) | Psalm 116          | Isaiah 45. 18-end     | Luke 6. 12-16             |
| Thursday                 | Psalm 143          | 2 Kings 23.36-24.17   | 1 Timothy 4               |
| Friday                   | Psalm 144          | 2 Kings 24.18 – 25.12 | 1 Timothy 5. 1-16         |
| Saturday                 | Psalm 147          | 2 Kings 25. 22-end    | 1 Timothy 5. 17-end       |
| Sunday                   | Psalm 15           | John 9. 18-27         |                           |

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

The readings for the coming week are:

Psalm 145                      John 16. 16-22

The orders of service for MP and EP are in the red Common Worship book, and also on the Daily Prayer App.

**Mid-week Holy Communion:** 10 am, second and fourth Wednesdays, in church. Next: this week: 28th October

**Sundays at Six:** Night Prayer on Zoom on the first and third Sundays of each month, use the little blue book: 'Prayers for the use of the Church during the coronavirus outbreak'.

Next: 15<sup>th</sup> November (Memorial service on 1<sup>st</sup>)

All Saints Church is holding **Night Prayer on Zoom**, weekly at 8pm on Thursdays, and anyone is welcome to join in.

***Prayer suggestions for this week:***

- For Sonya and Roger Clarke, and for Tony and Gill Lucas, as they settle into their new homes
- For our care for all creation
- Give thanks for a generous response to our Gift Day, and for our finances
- For all people living under changing and confusing restrictions
- That all national and local leaders might work together for the health and wellbeing of our nation and all people
- For all NHS staff, carers, Care Home staff and those caring for the sick, and for those in RBWM who are testing positive for Covid 19.
- For our brothers and sisters of faith at the Synagogue, Mosques, Gurdwara and elsewhere
- For the people of Armenia and Azerbaijan, that fighting may cease and ordinary people and their homes might be protected, for those who have already lost homes, livelihoods and loved ones
- For justice and equality for all people, for a recognition that every person is precious to God.
- For our planning for the Christmas Tree Trail.
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in October: Lily Jones, Mabel Spratley, Amaya Boulton, Maggie Mae and Dollie Bella Deeley
- For all those who live and work in Florence Avenue
- The sick and those who care for them: John Francis, Tony Lucas, Monica Olley, Stan Swansborough, and Mick Curley
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Yvonne Lewis, Michael Marsden, Janet Trinkwon
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in October: Gerard Beattie, Beryl Bunce, Daisy Cole, Philip Littlejohn, Beryl Burrows, Peggy Clutterbuck, Len Harvey, Thomas Yates, Eileen Rance, Albert Harvey, Sally Roberts, Marion Brooks, 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.

**Our church is floodlit at night.**

*This week the floodlighting has been sponsored this week by*

*Johanna Raffan*

*that the Lord may accompany the incoming President of Soroptimist International,  
Great Britain and Ireland throughout this year*



To sponsor the floodlighting just call or email Revd. Sally.

**Rotas:** do check the rota chart on our website to see if you are down to read, intercede, clean or welcome. Thank you!

**Next week: 1<sup>st</sup> November, All Age Holy Communion for All Saints Day**

**Read:** Rachel Beaumont                      **Intercede:** CYP / Revd. Phyl

**Welcomers:** John with Ann Darracott, Sue and Ralph

**Sunday cleaning:** Jeanette                      **Other cleaning:**

**Roots at home** this week:    <http://www.rootsontheweb.com/athome25Oct>

## What's on... and other news...

A reminder that, with Covid 19 infections rising, and the flu/winter cold season on us, you should not come into church services (physically in the building) if you feel unwell or are experiencing of Covid 19. Seek advice from your GP surgery, NHS 111, or others if unsure and if you are housebound and have any needs (practical or spiritual) do call Revd. Sally or one of the Ministry Team.

**Memorial service, 4pm NEXT Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November.** An opportunity to remember all whom we have loved and lost, at any time, with candle lighting. Anyone is welcome to come along. The names read out last year will be on display in church – please cross out (with your own pen) any that you would not wish to be read this year, and email Revd. Sally with any additional names (we automatically read all those for whom we conducted funerals this year) – BY TUESDAY please.

**Light Trick or Treat!** We are keen not to encourage the keeping of Halloween as a time of spooking people and we certainly do not encourage Trick or Treat. It is a season of remembering with affection and giving thanks for those we love and see no more. But we are not killjoys!! So... on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October, All Hallows Eve, we will hold as near as we can this year to a Light Party. Families are invited to drop by the church between 5.00 pm and 6.30 pm where they will be greeted with Light packs to take away and use at home. There will be candles to light (safely and covid-securely) and possibly even some treats. Children (or adults too!) might like to come in fancy dress – not as ghosts and ghouls but as Saints – which is your favourite Saints? We will make a display of photos for the congregation to see the next day.

**Messy Church:** our next Zoomed Messy Church is on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November, when we will be doing some Messy Remembering, from 4-5pm. Great fun, even on Zoom. Please email I Revd. Sally to book a craft pack and for the Zoom link – for safeguarding reasons we do not make the link public.

**8th November: Parish Communion with Act of Remembrance.** Please note that this will start at the later time of **at 10.30 am** to allow for both communion and an Act of Remembrance.

**Study course:** we have just started a new, six week, study course. **'Well prepared'** focuses on living well at the end of life and preparing for death. Please do consider joining in this week.

See the diocesan website for more details: <https://www.deathlife.org.uk/>

Thursdays, 7.30 pm. Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82587653929?pwd=Qnd6cWJwSkxSaHpldy96aXd2RFdqUT09>

Meeting ID: 825 8765 3929

Passcode: 432183

**Christmas Tree (Trail (in lieu of a festival) A reminder:** Anyone - families, businesses, charities, etc an decorate a tree and place it in their window or outside and, on payment of a small fee, join our trail which people can then walk around and look at safely. It will be possible to vote for favourites online and donate money if people wish – which this year will be split equally between the Thames Valley Air Ambulance and St. Luke’s.

Thank you to those how have returned forms already – do consider joining the trail yourselves. See the letter with details of how to take part on our website.

If you would like to be involved in any other way, please let me know. We have another planning meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> November – just ask for the Zoom link. After tnhat date the dedicated CTT website will go live.

Help needed NOW:

- Does anyone have a photo of the winning tree from 2011 (first year, Studio 108 Hairdressers)? We have photos of all previous winners on the website, but not that one.
- Offers of help to distribute posters etc and to pop into town centre shops inviting them to take part (with a script / letter from the CTT team).
- TELL people about it and encourage entries.

**Smile Amazon Fundraising:** If you shop on Amazon you will have seen that they no longer work with Easyfundraising, so if you are signed up to that scheme your purchases no longer generate funds for St Luke’s. However, they now have their own fundraising scheme called Amazon Smile and we have created an account so that all your Amazon purchases will generate a 0.5% donation to St Luke’s. To use this new scheme, **always go to Amazon** by using the <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/> link (instead of the normal amazon.co.uk). Just under the search box is a link “Supporting” where you need to choose us as the charity you want to support. Unfortunately the name we are listed under is that of our charity commission registration, which is somewhat long at “The Parochial Church Council Of The Ecclesiastical Parish Of St. Luke's, Maidenhead”, and needless to say there are lots of other “The Parochial Church Council Of The Ecclesiastical Parish Of St. Luke's” charities as well, so we can be a bit difficult to find.

However, a failsafe and quick way to find us is to use our Charity Registration Number instead, which is: **1129951** Entering this number will immediately list just us in the search results – click the Select button to confirm the choice.

If you have any questions please contact me and I’ll try to help.

Also, our Easyfundraising account is also still very much available at <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stlukesmaidenhead> and will generate funds for us when you use it to shop online with lots of other retailers, including John Lewis, M&S, Argos, plus insurance companies, utility providers, and many more. What’s more the percentage donated is often more than the 0.5% received via Amazon Smile. If you have any questions about either scheme please contact me and I’ll try to help. Happy shopping! Richard Burdett.

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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

The Annual Year Book with contact details for key parish personally can be accessed on the church website: <https://d3hgrlq6yacptf.cloudfront.net/5f43dadd67a8/content/pages/documents/1596271439.pdf>