



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead



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Week commencing: 22nd November 2020 The Feast of Christ the King

Today is 'Stir-up Sunday'. Have you made your Christmas pudding yet? Although the 'stir up collect' has been relegated to post communion prayer in the modern service book, I have slipped it into our service for Sunday despite it not being communion – it is just such a special prayer!

Watch out for an Advent delivery from St. Luke's in the next week, a little 'something' to help you through Advent. If you live locally and have not received yours by 28th please email me and I will ensure you get an envelope.

Advent Sunday: next week, our 10 am service will be the Advent Ring Service, zoomed from church. At this service, which is familiar to many of you, we will be lighting all five of the candles on our Advent Ring as we recall the story of Advent. You may like to have your own Advent Ring or Wreath at home and light your candles along with us. Traditionally the church uses three purple candles (the colour of the season), one pink (for Mary) and a white in the centre, but you could use any candles you like, of any shape or size or colour.

This Sunday we are again offering a Zoomed Service of the Word, broadcast from church, at 10 am. The order of service is attached to the weekly email and can be found on the website too. Please do join us, and you might like to 'stay for coffee' (yes, provide your own again!) and to join a breakout room to chat to others for a while. The link to join the service is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85097790796?pwd=NUIBZE5PL3hIOFEyUm11OTNxc0lnUT09>

Meeting ID: 850 9779 0796

Password: 900393

We continue to offer a Zoom Morning Prayer daily at 9am (except Mondays, **and the next three Sundays, resuming Sunday 6th Dec.**) and Evening Prayer at 5pm on Fridays. The order of service can be found on our website or the Daily Prayer App. Just ask if you need help finding it. The links are:

Zoom Morning Prayer,

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84140066083?pwd=ZlZ0bXgvQ0t1UTlZcW10YlFNSnpPZz09>

Meeting ID: 841 4006 6083

Passcode: 544130

Zoom Evening Prayer at 5pm on Fridays:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83350227277?pwd=QnhoT0E1YXFid09BeDZTUFFxa2JCQT09>

Meeting ID: 833 5022 7277

Passcode: 262906

Morning Prayer, daily (except Monday, and Sunday at present) on Zoom

Readings for the week beginning Sunday 22nd November are:

Sunday	Psalm 20	Luke 19. 29-38	
Monday	Psalm 96	Isaiah 40. 1-11	Revelation 14. 1-13
Tuesday	Psalm 97	Isaiah 40. 12-26	Revelation 14.14-end of 15
Wednesday	Psalm 112	Isaiah 40. 27-4.7	Revelation 16.1-11

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

Do stay in touch with us during lockdown – and let us know if there is anything you need.

We have become aware that some people's internet provision is not as good as it might be with slower speeds and poor quality. If you are having difficulty you like to ask Dave Sopp's advice, he has helped a number of people recently – Revd Sally is very happy to forward enquiries.

Quiet morning: in preparation for Advent, Revd. Phyl will be leading a Zoomed Quiet Morning on **Saturday 28th November**, from 9.45 am p- 12.30 pm. Everyone is warmly invited to join in, having a little space for reflection together on Zoom and in the comfort of your own home - or walking nearby. It would help Phyl if you could just let her know that you'd like to join in – she may have a little something to get to you beforehand! Email: fourbeaus@btinternet.com

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85292715042?pwd=bkJ2SjFqVjhXc01BdldObkRtZVY1Zz09>

Meeting ID: 852 9271 5042

Passcode: 699448

Christmas Tree (Trail (in lieu of a festival):

So far we have just over 30 trees booked into our trail – we need at least double that so please do encourage people to take part. We also need now:

- Offers of help to distribute posters /flyers etc
- You to print and display the CTT poster with this email
- TELL people about it and encourage entries
- Prayer for the whole event.

Christmas services: we do not yet know what will be possible in terms of services in church at Christmas. We will keep you updated in this weekly email but we are hoping to offer, live and socially distanced:

Sunday 20th December: 4pm and 6pm Carol services (must be booked)

Christmas Eve: 4.30 pm: Zoomed / Recorded Crib service

9.00 pm: 'Midnight' Mass

Christmas Day: 10.00 am: Festal Parish Communion

Messy Church: we will be doing Messy Christmas at 4pm on Zoom on Friday 4th December. Do contact Revd. Sally for the Zoom link (not public for safeguarding reasons) and for an advance craft pack.

Bishop Olivia led our last Deanery Synod with a very helpful address and discussion. You can hear her address here: <https://youtu.be/ydQLmU-1IZA>

Smile Amazon Fundraising: as you do your online Christmas shopping, don't forget to use Amazon Smile and EasyFundraising:

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/> **1129951** will immediately list just us in the search results – click the Select button to confirm the choice.

<http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stlukesmaidenhead>

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>