



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead



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Week commencing: 3rd January 2021 The Feast of the Epiphany

A very happy new year to everyone.

New year, new start. And renewed hope too as we trust in our incarnate God, who knows what it is to live with the struggles of human life and lifts our humanity up to share his divinity.

It is difficult to know quite how to plan within the current restrictions and concerns about the prevalence of the pandemic right now. This Sunday we will have a service of Parish Communion (not All Age) both live in church and also on Zoom. Please think very carefully about whether you should attend church in person. If you are physically at church please remember that tier 4 regulations mean that we can gather for worship but not mix outside or own households – so please come straight in and take your seat, leaving immediately after the service too.

We will keep you informed via this weekly sheet about services from Monday, but I can confirm now that the Wednesday 10 am service will, for the time being, be discontinued.

I am sorry that we are heading into more isolation, but it is necessary to contain the virus. Contactors will be in regular contact with you and please do feel free to contact your own contactor or myself if you have any needs – or just need human contact by phone or zoom.

We will, of course, continue to offer a Zoom Morning Prayer daily at 9am (except Mondays and Sundays) 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 3rd January are:

Sunday	Psalm 87	Luke 2. 41-end	
Monday	Psalm 89.1-37	Isaiah 61	John 2. 1-12
Tuesday	Psalm 48	Isaiah 62	John 2. 13-end
Wednesday	Psalm 132	Jeremiah 31.7-14	John 1. 29-34

Thursday	Psalm 99	Isaiah 63.7-end	1 John 3
Friday	Psalm 46	Isaiah 64	1 John 4. 7-end
Saturday	Psalm 148	Isaiah 65. 1-16	1 John 5. 1-12
Sunday	Psalm 89. 19-29	John 1. 29-34	

Sundays at Six: Night Prayer on Zoom on the first and third Sundays of each month, **TONIGHT** 3rd January. We will hold an Epiphany reflection tonight – similar to our annual Epiphany Carol service. Please do join us for this beautiful reflection. You may like to have a candle and a small bowl of water beside you.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82362755135?pwd=bmZYRkdIbW1SUjhtaHINMnBDTzF1QT09>

Meeting ID: 823 6275 5135

Passcode: 737489

Prayer suggestions for this week:

- Give thanks for a successful Christmas Tree Trail, and pray for the work of the Thames Valley Air Ambulance
- Give thanks for a second approved vaccine for Covid19 and pray for those rolling it out, especially for Phyl and Jeanette
- That we might be kind to each other – in ‘thought, word and deed’
- For a hopeful new year for all people and that the light of Jesus might shine brightly through each of us
- For all NHS staff, carers, Care Home staff and those caring for the sick
- For those who feel alone and are struggling with these long winter months
- 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
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in January: Otilie Beresford-Jones, Grace Mondal, Ryan Westbury Jr, Ritchie Westbury, Jonas Lanyon, Sebastian Lanyon
- For all those who live and work in Harrow Close
- The sick and those who care for them: Monica Olley, Stan Swansborough, Tony Boaks, and Mick Curley
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Patricia Walker, Margaret Robinson, Roy Goff
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in January: Peter Joyce, David Bateman, Mark Willard, Len Lynch, Roy Smith, Roger Martin, Clifford Collier, Alice Wellman, Jacqueline Hayward, Ida Walters, Robert Newman, Beryl Jenkins, Robert Howe, Frank Joyce, Marjorie Hopkins, Andrew Drummond, Vivian Oliver, Ann Hancock, Charles Woodman, Julie Brazenor, Florence Hampton, Derek Jones, Eileen Gulrayani, Edward Hylton-Jones, Dawn Crampin, Nora Searle, Michael Marriner, Jean Stemp, Christine Bowyer, Phyllis Bosher.

Rotas for next service: 10th January

Read: Sally Somerville

Intercede: Dorothy Strack-Hankey

Antibac after service:

Welcomers: Sue with Mike and Lisa

Our church is floodlit at night.

This week the floodlighting has been sponsored this week by

Mr T Autos

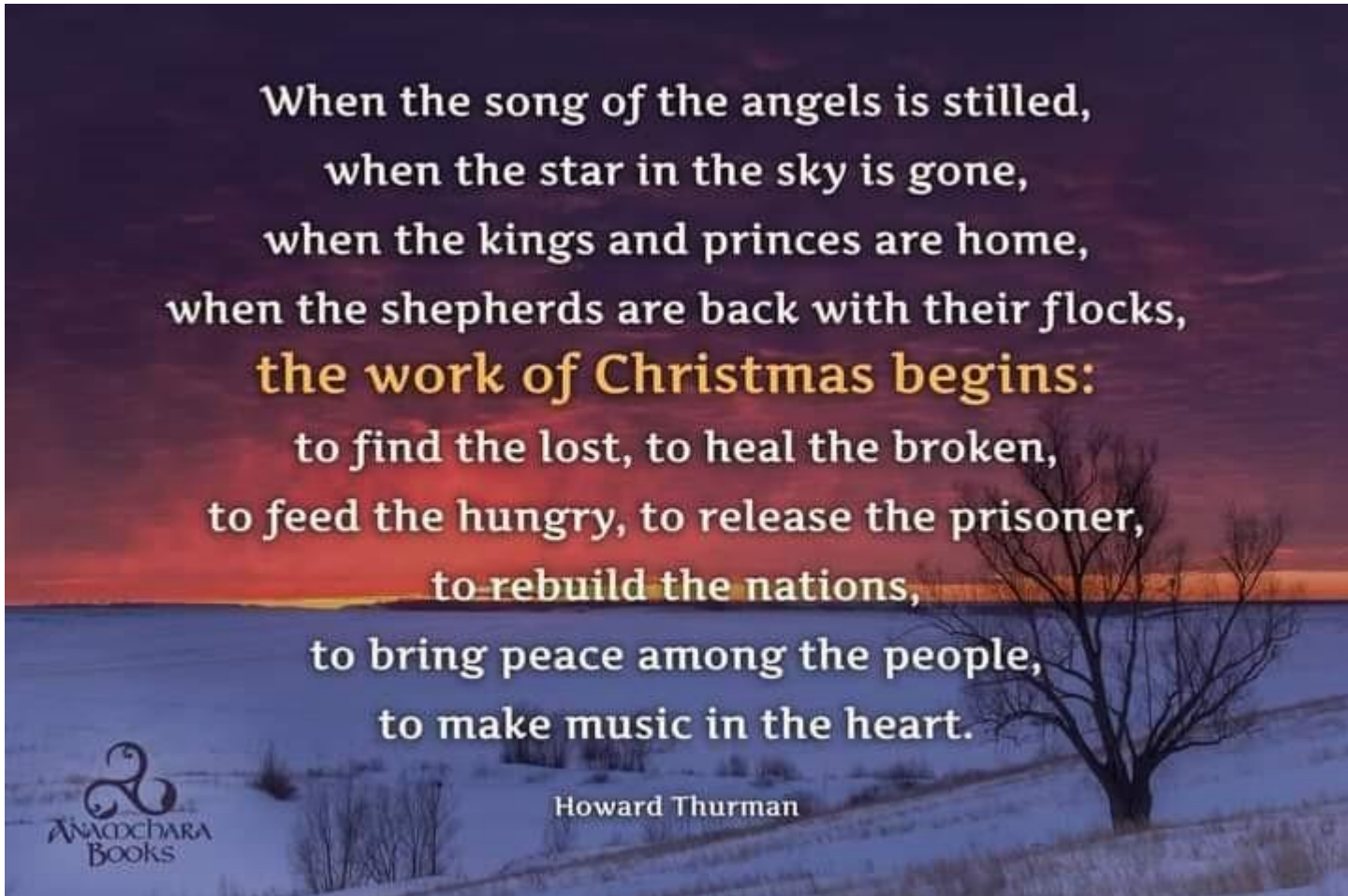
To sponsor the floodlighting just call or email Revd. Sally.

There are, as yet, no slots taken in the new year!



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

The WAMCF Joy of Movement sessions continue into 2021 – Tuesdays 12th January – 16th February, 6-7pm totally free. Sign up details to come in the new year. A fun way to keep fit.



Wishing you all a very Happy New Year
stay home stay safe.

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