

# St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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## Week Commencing: 7<sup>th</sup> July, Trinity 6

This week we have a 10.00am All Age Holy Communion Service with activity available for children. At 6.00pm All Saints is hosting an Evensong and Benediction service, to which all are invited.

### The Collect

Merciful God,  
you have prepared for those who love you  
such good things as pass our understanding;  
pour into our hearts such love toward you  
that we, loving you in all things  
and above all things,  
may obtain your promises,  
which exceed all that we can desire;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord...

### Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage,  
you have led us to the living water:  
refresh and sustain us  
as we go forward on our journey,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Gospel Reading

<sup>1</sup>Jesus came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup>On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! <sup>3</sup>Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. <sup>4</sup>Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' <sup>5</sup>And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. <sup>6</sup>And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup>He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup>He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; <sup>9</sup>but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup>He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. <sup>11</sup>If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' <sup>12</sup>So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. <sup>13</sup>They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

*Mark 6.1-13*

### Sunday's Hymns

713 Lord of all hopefulness  
screen God's spirit is in my heart  
screen Our God is a great big God

## Thought for the week

At the end of every service of Holy Communion. We are sent out, 'in peace, to love and serve the Lord'. Just as Jesus' first followers were sent out in pairs to share his ministry, so we are sent out to do the same.

Coming to worship is great and being able to receive communion to strengthen us and feel God's peace can help us cope with all that life throws at us. BUT... it is holy communion that we share and so as we come to God's table we bring not only ourselves but the cares of the whole world and once our needs are met we are charged with meeting the need so those around us too.

That isn't easy – and it is particularly difficult to share the good news of God's love with those closest to us. We need not despair – as we read today's gospel we see that even Jesus struggled to make an impact in his own home town. That should encourage and inspire us as we seek to serve the people of this parish.



## MORE THAN SPARROWS

One way that we are spreading the love of God in the parish this summer is through our Arts Project – More than Sparrows (see Luke 12. 7).

Please do come along to take part yourself and enjoy the crafts on offer.

If you are able to help out in any way please let Revd. Sally know asap (e.g. offering to share a craft, serve snacks, lend board games, have materials to offer...)

## Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For the outcome of the General election
- For a renewed commitment to the ministry and mission of all church members, and to prayer for the church, the world, and all people.
- For the implementation of our new Mission Action Plan.
- For our Summer Holiday Arts Project.
- For Fiona, Smita and Lee, to be confirmed on 17<sup>th</sup> July
- For the people of Israel and Palestine, for an end to the violence there and for strength for all those who are suffering loss and fear.
- For our sisters and brothers in the Jewish and Muslim communities of our own town.
- For the King and the Princess of Wales as they are treated for cancer
- For peace in Ukraine and Russia, and of Sudan, and also in Armenia and Ethiopia.
- For a new church music leader.
- For all those who live and work in Elm Grove.
- For all those whose anniversary of baptism falls in July: Mason Whittle, George Pankhurst, Noah Cameron, Jack Kirk, Olivia Turner, Harry Raymond, William Sharma, Theo Sharma, Florence Priestley, Bella Edmonds, Clara Crampin, Casper Brudenall, Payton Brudenall, Paisley Brudenall Freddie Bate
- The sick and their carers : Monica Olley, Ann Hockham, Valerie Bosley, Pat Botting, Phyllis Sigsworth, Lorraine, Olu Rowe, Bridget Morris, Albert Murray, Lucy Young, Pat Brooks, Emily Buckwell, Jacqueline Lewis, Angela Baldwin.
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in July: Ann Ringer, Diana Bradfield, Siew Kee Bentley, Andrew Ross, Joyce Newman, Ronald Young, Nellie Edwards, Roy Pond, John Rodwell, Robert Roberts, Edward Richardson, Raymond Pullin, Zarina Rowlands.

*Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2024:*

Sunday	Psalm 52	2 Samuel 1	Mark 7.24-8.10
Monday	Psalm 126	1 Samuel 5	Luke 20.41-21.4
Tuesday	Psalm 132	1 Samuel 6.1-16	Luke 21.5-19
Wednesday	Psalm 119.153-end	1 Samuel 7	Luke 21.20-28
Thursday	Psalm 143	1 Samuel 8	Luke 21.29-end
Friday	Psalm 144	1 Samuel 9.1-14	Luke 22.1-13
Saturday	Psalm 147	1 Samuel 9.15-10.1	Luke 22.14-23

**Rotas for next week Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July:**

Read: Ben Darracott  
Intercede: Shula Tajima  
Welcomers: Jacqueline, Simon and Ben  
Coffee: Simone and Season

**Our church is floodlit at night.**

This week the flood lighting has been sponsored by

**Ralph Hinchliffe**

*Sue's Birthday wishes*



To sponsor the floodlighting please fill in the form at the back of church or email:  
[admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk](mailto:admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk) The donation for weekly sponsorship is £15.

**What's on.... This week:**

Sunday 7th	10.00am, All Age Holy Communion 6.00pm, Sundays at Six, Evensong and Benediction, All Saints
Tuesday 9th	8.30am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
Wednesday 10th	8.30am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 10.00am, Holy Communion 8.00pm, Bible Study group, in Church
Thursday 11th	8.30am, Morning Prayer, on Zoom 9.30am, Baby and Toddler group 2.00pm, Thursday Teas
Friday 12th	8.30am, Morning Prayer on zoom 5.00pm, Evening prayer, on zoom 8.00pm, Choir practice, in Church
Saturday 13th	9.00am, Morning prayer on zoom
Sunday 14th	8.00am, Holy Communion 10.00am, Parish Communion

**Evening prayer:** please note that Evening Prayer on Fridays will now be no Evening Prayer on Fridays until September.

**Sundays at Six:** All Services are at 6.00pm Zoom link: use Sunday morning or as specified above

7 <sup>th</sup> July	Evensong and Benediction, at All Saints
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Prayer walk on Ray Mill Island, led by St. Luke's

## Coming up...

**The Revd. Carol Dunk**, it was a pleasure to have Carol on secondment with us earlier this year. She has moved to a new role in Slough Deanery, and we are warmly invited to her welcome service at St. Mary's church, Langley Marish on 15th July at 7.30pm.

**Messy Church** our Messy church dates are as follows: 6<sup>th</sup> September, 4<sup>th</sup> October, 1<sup>st</sup> November, 29<sup>th</sup> November

**Bible study:** our journey exploring together Matthew's gospel continues again soon. All warmly invited from 8-9pm, in church. 10<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> July.

**Quiet Day, Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July.** We have booked St. Katharine's Retreat Centre at Parmoor for a quiet day from 10 am - 3.30 pm. All are warmly invited to come along for a day of reflection and rest. Cost £20 pp (max) and bring a packed lunch. If you have never been to a quiet day why not try it – ask Sally, Phyl, Jeanette or Barbara to tell you more. Please sign up in church.

**Spacemakers, opportunity for reflection:** Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August, 11 am – 2.15pm (including lunch). The Revd. Charlie Kerr from the Diocese will be leading a session on Spacemakers, a programme used in schools and churches to aid reflection and offer space. Everyone is invited to come along and take part either for your own benefit or to be able to lead these sessions with others. A light lunch will be provided. Free! Please sign up in church.

### **More than sparrows, 20<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> August.**

This all age Arts Project will be a great chance to welcome in the community and share together. We will have crafts for all ages to do together, as well as games, snack time and quiet reflection. If you are able to offer any time to help, or have craft skills to share, please email Revd. Sally or sign up in church. Booking forms are now available to sign up to take part – attached to this weeks email, on the church website and hard copy in church. Please return booking forms to the church office.

### **Items needed for Arts Project:**

Please leave in the box at the back of church, marked MORE THAN SPARROWS, any of the following that you can donate:

- Old lego (not duplo)                      - material                      - ribbons                      - wool
- Board games (named if you'd like them back)

### **Looking further ahead:**

#### **Save the dates....**

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September: Garden Party

Friday 13<sup>th</sup>/ Sat 14<sup>th</sup> September: Heritage weekend

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October, 7.30 pm, A Time to Mourn, A Time to Dance, Dance production, here

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October afternoon: the Johanna Raffan Memorial Lecture.

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> August: Summer Holiday Arts project for all ages.

**Welcomers meeting:** thanks to everyone who serves as a welcomer. You are invited to a short meeting after church on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July to chat over how you find the role and any safeguarding needs. Do put the date in your diaries.



**SAVE THE DATE - Saturday 14 September WHY?** It's the annual Ride & Stride event!

This national event happens every year across the country, and is a great way to raise funds for the support of our historic churches.

Any mode of transport is fine – you could walk, cycle, ride: simply choose a route and find lots of sponsorship from all your friends and family

More details will be provided closer to the event from your local co-ordinator (Peter Goford) or from the BHCT Ride & Stride website <http://www.berkschurchestrust.org.uk/ride-and-stride>

**At St. Luke's we will combine this with the Heritage Open weekend – see above...**

**Inspire Magazine:** We are preparing the next issue of Inspire, our church magazine. It would be great to have a bumper edition after a long pause.

Articles can be of any nature – writing about things that might interest everyone, poems, pictures, photos, prayers, quizzes... you name it... Inspire draws the church family together sharing news and views.

Please email your articles, pictures, poems, book reviews etc to [admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk](mailto:admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk) by end of July please

**Churches Together in Maidenhead:** from Revd, David Downing: Things are changing for Churches Together in Maidenhead! I am leaving Maidenhead in July, so things are changing all round. But change can bring real positivity, and I wanted to let know you how Churches Together is going to move forward.

The leaders will be continuing to meet - and more frequently! This will keep the churches connected, and the leaders supported. Second, we will be counting to work together on key events (eg Good Friday Walk of Witness, Street Angels, Love Christmas etc). Third, we will be trying to promote what churches are doing through the CHURCHES TOGETHER IN MAIDENHEAD Facebook page... <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100071798470703>

We know that not everyone is on Facebook, but it is a great way of sharing news. Do you have someone in your church who can keep an eye on that page and pass information on to whoever does your newsletter/magazine/website or your own church's Facebook page? This leaves CTiM in a great position to move on. We have so many great parts of the Body of Christ here in Maidenhead - so many ways of serving our Lord. It is good news that the Holy Spirit is at work in Maidenhead!

#### **Our Regular activities:**

**The 8.00 Holy Communion service** will continue to be monthly, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday.

**Midweek Holy Communion** is at 10 am weekly, followed by coffee

**Baby and Toddler group** meets on Thursdays, 9.30 – 11.00 am term time only. We meet in church.

**Messy Church** continues on the first (usually) Friday, monthly, 4-5.30pm. Next is 6<sup>th</sup> September 2024 [admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk](mailto:admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk) to book a place.

**Keeping Company** is our monthly meeting for those bereaved (at any time). Third Thursday at 3pm, in church. The next is 18<sup>th</sup> July

**Thursday Teas** meets in the community hall offering tea, cake and conversation. Second Thursdays monthly, 1.30 pm. Next is 11<sup>th</sup> July

**Thursday Lunches** meets fourth Thursday of the month, usually at the Toby Cavery but please contact Jean Tyrwhitt-Drake on [Jeant-d2@outlook.com](mailto:Jeant-d2@outlook.com) for further details.

**Gaynor's Gift** is a prayer shawl knitting ministry that anyone can take part in at home. We meet together monthly to pray, knit and drink tea. 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays monthly. Next is 25<sup>th</sup> July

St. Luke's Church  
Norfolk Road, Maidenhead 

**More than sparrows!**

**An All Age Activity week**

**Tue. 20th—Sat. 24th August**

**10 am - 1pm daily, in church**

£2 per person per day

For adults and accompanied children of all ages

CRAFTS GAMES SNACK TIME  
ECO FUN STORYTELLING

For more details call 01628 622733

Please register at:  
[admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk](mailto:admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk)

**Windsor and Maidenhead  
Community Forum  
Women's Group**

Ladies of all beliefs and none  
are warmly invited to our next meeting  
from 7.30 - 9.00 pm  
on  
Tuesday 23rd July 2024  
at  
Grenfell Lodge (synagogue)  
Ray Park Road, Maidenhead SL6 8QX

Our theme is:  
**Food and Faith**

You are invited to bring a sample of food from your own faith,  
vegetarian and NO NUTS please.

Further details from:  
[sally514@btinternet.com](mailto:sally514@btinternet.com) [www.wamcf.org](http://www.wamcf.org)

**WAMCF** 

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

**Zoom Morning Prayer** at 8.30 am Tuesday – Friday, 9 am Saturday

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81459090925?pwd=Y2hKZkFYZ04zbGZBd1BHcmllldU5Hdz09>

Meeting ID: 814 5909 0925

Passcode: 180609

**Zoom Evening Prayer** at 5pm on Fridays (except first Friday) NB: new link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85378796960?pwd=dUNTTnRZVFJBY2xiS3QyVHlYz1BaZz09>

Meeting ID: 853 7879 6960

Passcode: 386635