

In Faith Out There

St Luke's Church, Maidenhead
WEEK COMMENCING 1st March 2009

This Sunday FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

8.00am	Eucharist
10.00am	'Magic Carpet' service
	All-age Worship with Eucharist
6.00pm	St.David's Day Eucharist at All Saints
Mon 2nd	8.00pm BRF Daylight Group at 'Windrush', Sheepphouse Rd
Tues 3rd	3.00pm Lent Group 7.15pm Eucharist
Weds 4th	11.00am Eucharist followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre to celebrate the 100th birthday of Marjorie Knox 8.00pm Lent Group in the Vicarage
Thurs 5th	8.00pm 'Timeout' in the Vicarage
Fri 6th	8.00pm Choir Practice
Sat 7th	9.30am- 3.00pm 'Pathways to God' Prayer Day at Cox Green

Next Sunday 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

8.00am	Eucharist
10.00am	Sung Eucharist
12.30pm	Lent Lunch in the Parish Centre
3.00pm	Find out about Taizé in the Vicarage
6.00pm	International Taizé Service

Readings *Old Testament: Genesis 17.1-7, 15-16*
New Testament: Romans 4.13-end
Gospel: Mark 8.31-end

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

If you are visiting us for the first time we would like to get to know you better. Please fill in one of the yellow welcome cards and hand it to someone on duty before you leave. Better still, stay and have a chat over a cup of coffee after the 10.00am service. Children and young people are welcome to join the groups which meet during the service. Please feel free to take a toddler to the children's corner at the back of the church if they are getting restless, but do stay with them.

The chapel is available as a quiet place for prayer after services and whenever the church is open. Please feel free to take advantage of it.

Please keep the car parking space in the churchyard free for the disabled and frail elderly. Thank you.

Marjorie Knox 100 years: We shall be celebrating Marjorie's 100th birthday on Wednesday 4th March commencing with a Eucharist at 11am followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre. Do come and celebrate with Marjorie until 2.30pm.

Women's World Day of Prayer: The service this year is on Friday, 6th March at 2pm at St. Joseph's Church. Christian denominations have realised that working together to spread the love of God will influence society. Such unity is a living example of the theme of the service, prepared by the women of Papua New Guinea – 'In Christ there are many members yet one body'. All will be welcome – men, women and young people. This is a great opportunity to mix with friends from other churches in the town. There is a crèche available and refreshments will be served afterwards. Hope to see you there. Ruth Sheppard

Lent Groups: Studies in the Gospel of Luke with a Global Perspective. 5 sessions looking at the situation in different parts of the world and relating it to the bible and to our experience today. Tuesday afternoons beginning 3rd March at 3pm in the Parish Centre or Wednesday evenings beginning 4th March at 8pm at the Vicarage.

Afternoon Ramble: Sunday, 15th March at 2.15pm. All are welcome on a slightly hilly walk of about 2hrs around lanes and paths of Cookham Dean, Quarry Woods and above the Thames. Meet in the car park (GR870860) at the Winter Hill viewpoint. Please share cars if possible and, if the weather is wet, phone to check that the walk is still on.

Electoral Roll: You need to be on the Electoral Roll if you wish to vote at the Annual Parish Meeting or to be considered for the PCC or Deanery Synod. If you are not sure that you filled in a form in 2007, when a new Electoral Roll was instituted, please look in the green folder on the table at the back of the church to make sure you are on it. If not and you wish to be included please complete a form found in the blue folder and place in the brown envelope attached to the folder. The closing date for applications is March 22nd. I shall then amend the Electoral Roll which will be on display from March 29th onwards. Jill E. Bevitt (T.633464) Electoral Roll Officer

Bedding Plants: Now is the time to think about planting seeds ready for the plant sale on May 23rd. Flowers or Veg are always popular. Many thanks

'Pathways to God' - a day exploring prayer. Address by David Winter. Saturday, 7th March 9.30am-3pm at The Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green. Please take a leaflet from the back and sign up. If it helps I will collect bookings and return them together. Richard H.

Attention – Saturday Ramblers: Spring flowers are starting to

appear, reminding us that winter is coming to an end so I think it is time to try and resurrect our Saturday outings which, for various reasons have become somewhat haphazard of late. Two dates then for your diaries, Saturday 14th March and Saturday 18th April. Please confirm with me whether you will be joining us so that arrangements can be made and a suitable walk planned. If you have not joined us before, why not clean up your boots and give it a try. Maximum walk length will be 8 miles and you will be guaranteed good company, interesting conversation and most importantly, a chance to get some fresh air and enjoy God's wonderful creation. More details from Roger C. (T.632626)

The Big Brew: Saturday, 7th March, 10am-1pm at St.Peter's, Furze Platt. Please join the Oxford Diocese initiative to run fairtrade coffee mornings during Fairtrade Fortnight. There will be fairtrade craft stalls (including Mexican jewellery), a cake stall and great , fairly traded refreshments. For more information please contact Rosalie Balfour (T.621961)

Lent Lunches: TODAY, March 8th and 29th at 12.30pm. During Lent we try to raise money for a worthy charity by sharing a frugal lunch on Sundays in the Parish Centre and giving a donation of the amount we would normally spend on our Sunday lunch at home. This year donations will go to St.Luke's Hospital in Nablus. (Details from Shula). To this end we are asking for volunteers to provide soup, bread and cheese and/or to serve on the day. If you can help in any way, please sign up on the paper in church. All are welcome to these lunches, so do bring your friends with you. Thank you.

Sparklers' Parables for Today: You are invited to make a modern day version of the parables which the 'Sparklers' are reading this term. Next week's parable is 'the Prodigal Son' (Luke 15.11-32). You can choose any of the parables to work on. Please give your version to one of the Sparklers who will consider it for publication.

Minibus Drivers: needed for Mencap minibus, particularly on Monday evenings. Please see Valerie Bosley

Our Next Taizé Service: Last November we held our first full Taizé service and welcomed very nearly 100 people into our church to worship with us. We do hope you will be able to join us for our next service on March 8th at 6pm. The service will once again embrace all ages, all languages and all denominations and we will be holding a session beforehand from 3pm in the Vicarage for young people to learn more about Taizé and the trip this summer with the Oxford Diocese. After the service we will also be serving refreshments from our own 'Oyak' another Taizé tradition to learn about! So please come along and join us with your friends. For more information contact Kevin (T.783279)

**THE FLOODLIGHTING HAS BEEN SPONSORED
THIS WEEK**

**in celebration of
Marjorie Knox
100 years**

Please Pray for the people who live in Grassy Lane

the sick: Gillian Fitzpatrick, Tim Williams,
Vaughan Russell, Melanie Bibra, Win
Reynolds, Beryl Horsham, Glyn
Jackson, Pat Walker, Nick, Margaret
Burrows, Gary, Derek W., Brian
Pearce, Julienne, Ros Tieg, Sarah
Oswald

those who
have died George Rose, Fred Townsend

ADVANCE NOTICES

February 28th 'In Faith Out There' morning at Stubbings
March 4th Marjorie Knox's
100th Birthday celebration
March 7th 'Pathways of Prayer' at Cox Green
March 8th International Taizé service
March 15th Piano Recital – Alexander Young

MUMS & TODDLERS meet
in the CHURCH HALL
THURSDAYS
9.30am - 11.00am
during term time

BROWNIES meet in the CHURCH HALL
THURSDAYS 6.30pm - 7.45pm

THE SUNDAY CLUB
for children aged 3-10 years : 10.00am each Sunday in the
Church Hall
(except 1st Sunday in month: All-age Worship in Church)

THE SPARKLERS
for young people (10+) meets in the Parish Centre for
discussions. "Sparklers" leave church before the sermon.

GROUPS @ ST.LUKE'S

The following groups are open for all to join:

Emmaus Discussion Group about aspects of our faith
Contact: Eileen Goford (T.638238)

Emmaus 05, (2nd Course)
Contact: Sue Harbour (T.670246)

Timeout – topical issues aired and shared
Contact: Revd R. Holroyd (T.783033)

BRF Daylight Group (discussion about current bible
reading notes) Contact: Revd Dick Cheek (T.628484)

News-sheet material to be handed in at The Vicarage by
Thursday MORNING please.

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