



**In Faith
Out There**

St Luke's Church, Maidenhead

WEEK COMMENCING 29th November 2009

**This Sunday FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
fifth sunday**

**8.00am Eucharist
10.00am Choral Matins
Officiant: The Revd R.Holroyd
Speaker: Jean Elton
12 noon Baptism
6.00pm Evensong & Benediction
at All Saints**

Mon 30th 8.15pm Emmaus at 30 Mallow Park

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Tues 1st 7.15pm Eucharist
8.00pm 'Timeout' at the Vicarage

Weds 2nd 10.00am Eucharist:
The Revd Dick Cheek

Fri 4th 6.00pm Wedding Rehearsal
8.00pm Choir Practice

Sat 5th 11.30am St.Luke's School
Christmas Fair
2.00pm Wedding:
*Matthew Lambert
& Lee-Anne Murray*

Next Sunday SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**8.00am Eucharist: The Revd T.Robinson
10.00am 'Magic Carpet' Service
All-age worship with Eucharist
President: The Revd R. Holroyd
Preacher: The Revd T.Robinson
4.00pm Sunday Half-hour at
Southgate House
6.00pm Taizé Prayer for Advent at
Church of the Good Shepherd**

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 front 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.

Traidcraft: There will be a Traidcraft stall after the service on 6th December. Gifts and food available.

Prayer Group: will be meeting on Wednesday, 2nd December from 3pm in Church. All are welcome to come along for a period of peace particularly this month as we shall be in Advent. Further information from Sonya (T.632626)

Thursday Group Carol Singing: We shall be taking carols around the Parish on two Monday evenings this year, 7th and 14th December and on both occasions will be leaving church at 7pm. Our first stop will be one of the residential houses close to church and then continue to take the Spirit of Christmas around the Parish. All are welcome even if you say you can't sing. Mulled wine and mince pies available afterwards. Many thanks, Sonya.

Art Exhibition: 'Here and There', featuring the work of Gail Dorrington opens on 6th December at the new Gallery at Elizabeth House, Cookham. The works are inspired by travel, local scenes and personalities. Paintings are for sale with 25% of the proceeds going to Elizabeth House for their work with older members of the community. Gallery open 2pm to 4.30pm every Sunday until 23rd December and on weekdays from 9.30am to 11.30am

Arts Café: in the Wesley Hall at High Street, Methodist Church on Friday, 4th December at 8.15pm (doors open 7.30pm) Enjoy a performance by Simeon Wood a multi instrumentalist of dazzling versatility. Tickets £5 in advance from Quench in Queen Street. Reserve by phone on 784960.

Operation Christmas Child 'Shoebboxes 2009': I would like to thank everyone who brought in filled boxes and especially to everyone who helped to fill empty boxes with me in the Parish Centre. I took 76 completed boxes to the URC for processing. A very good number. I should add that my friend from Central Hall, Westminster Methodists gave us a lot of empty boxes and a large amount of fillers to boost our number. Thank you again. Janet Trinkwon

Readers and Sides persons: If anyone is interested or curious about being included on the readers rota or being a sides person, please speak to Shula.

On-line Advent Calendar: Ready Steady Slow. Take time out this Advent at www.whywearewaiting.com with go-slow lifestyle challenges and stories along with daily videos and podcasts from around the Church of England – and beyond. The online calendar opens TODAY, Advent Sunday, November 29th. The website will also have daily bible passages and prayers.

Christmas Lunch 2009 at WAMSAD: If you would like to help eg. With transport to the event for 12 noon start, and home again afterwards, with serving food, or washing up, please see Phyllis

Children's Society Boxes: Please may I have these before the end of November. Thank you, Chris Sawyer

St Luke's Tours - Trip to Derbyshire & Yorkshire: We are planning another coach holiday for the May Day bank holiday weekend of Saturday 1st to Monday 3rd May 2009, this time to visit Derbyshire and Yorkshire. After an early departure (7.00am) from Maidenhead on Saturday 1st we will drive to Chatsworth House and gardens in Derbyshire, followed by a drive up to Leeds, where we will book into in the magnificent Art Deco Queen's Hotel before having dinner together at the hotel. On Sunday, after breakfast we will spend the day in York (with an optional morning trip to Castle Howard stately home costing an extra £9.00 for those who would like this), before returning to the hotel in Leeds for dinner. On Monday morning after breakfast and checking out we will visit Fountains Abbey and Studely Water Gardens, before returning to Maidenhead. Everyone who has been on our previous tours to Bruges, Rouen and Monet's Garden, and to Keukenhof and Amsterdam seemed to thoroughly enjoy them, so don't miss out on this opportunity, and tell your friends! Price per person based on two people sharing a double or twin room will be £195; single room supplement is £30. The price includes all travel, accommodation for two nights, entrance to Chatsworth and Fountains Abbey, breakfast on both mornings and dinner on both Saturday and Sunday evenings. If you do not already have suitable travel insurance then this varies depending on age but is typically £15 - £30 per person. A deposit of £60 per person will secure your place, with the balance being payable in early 2010. Please see Ann or Richard Burdett to let us know if you would like to come and request a booking form when they are ready.

Next InSpire: The Winter edition will appear before Christmas. Material, preferably by email, to richardholroyd@mac.com by 13th December. Please think beyond Christmas, as the magazine has to last until May-ish. Stories, reports, pictures, etc.

**THE FLOODLIGHTING HAS BEEN
SPONSORED THIS WEEK
BY**

**Delia Newell
for
Marjorie Jay**

Please Pray for the people who live in Green Close

the sick: Gillian Fitzpatrick, Tim Williams, Vaughan Russell, Melanie Bibra, Win Reynolds, Beryl Horsham, Pat Walker, Nick, Margaret Burrows, Julianne, Ken Brewer, Helga Currie, Steve N., Ros Tieg, Hilary Fortnam, Jennifer Hyde, Eunice Moffatt, Paul Matthews, Beryl Darlington, Ann Preston, John Jennens.

ADVANCE NOTICES

Dec 20th Carol Service

Visit our website: www.stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk

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)

Prayer Group – 1st Wednesday in the month. 3pm in church

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

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