

In Faith Out There



St Luke's Church, Maidenhead

WEEK COMMENCING 31st January 2010

**This Sunday PRESENTATION OF CHRIST
(CANDLEMAS)**

8.00am Eucharist
10.00am Fifth Sunday Service
'Caring for Families Today'
Speaker: Judge Charles Elly

Mon 1st 8.00pm BRF Daylight Group at
'Windrush', Sheepphouse Road

Tues 2nd 7.15pm Eucharist:
The Revd D.Cheek

Weds 3rd 10.00am Eucharist:
The Revd Dick Cheek
3.00pm Prayer Group in Church

Fri 5th 8.00pm Choir Practice

Next Sunday SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

8.00am Eucharist
10.00am 'Magic Carpet' Service
All-age worship with Eucharist
President: The Revd R.Holroyd
Preacher: Sonya Clarke
4.00pm Sunday Half-hour at
Southgate House
6.00pm Evensong
Officiant: Sonya Clarke
Preacher: The Revd R.Holroyd

**Please Pray
for**

the people who live in The Crescent and Killarney Drive

the sick:

Gillian Fitzpatrick, Tim William, Vaughan Russell, Melanie Bibra, Win Reynolds, Beryl Horsham, Pat Walker, Nick, Margaret Burrows, Julienne, Ken Brewer, Helga Currie, Steve N., Ros Tieg, Hilary Fortnam, Jennifer Hyde, Eunice Moffatt, Paul Matthews, Beryl Darlington, Anne Preston, Betty Pearce, Sandy Raffan, Marjorie Goddard

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.

Walk & Winter Wildfowl: TODAY, Sunday, 31st January at 2.15pm. All are welcome on a flat walk of about 3m taking in some of the Braywick lakes where we should see some of the more exotic ducks that visit us in winter. Bring binoculars and bird books if you have them. Park considerately in Bray Court or Court Close (GR903786) which are left turns off the A308 just after it passes under the M4. Please let us know if you are interested in coming in case we need to make any last minute changes. Roger & Jilly (t.633464)

Thanks: It is now 2010 and I am very thankful that 2009 is over, it was a bad year for me. I got through it because of all the excellent medical and surgical care I had. But if it hadn't been for all the love and support I had from my family and friends, and especially you, my friends at St.Luke's. for your prayers and constant concern and help it would have been impossible, and I wouldn't have coped at all on my own. So thank you from the bottom of my heart. Good wishes to you all for 2010. Love, Julienne

The Next Stitch-Up: is on Thursday, February 18th in the Parish Centre from 10am to 4pm. Anyone interested in sewing up our mountain of squares into blankets can come along at any time during the day. We always try to beat the previous year's record so in 2010 we have to produce more than 1300! The last batch went to Jordan where there is a refugee centre from Iraq. Come for just an hour or so, or for the whole day. Soup and other refreshments are available for a donation to Feed the Children. We have great fun as well as working hard so give it a try if you have not been before, and bring a friend if you like. We hope to be joined by regular friends from All Saints. Jilly B or I can give you further details. Ruth Sheppard.

Lent Lunches: There will be lunches during Lent on 21st February, 7th March and 21st March with donations going to St.Luke's Hospital, Nablus. If you are able to provide bread, cheese or soup, or are able to help on any of these occasions please indicate on the list in church. Otherwise please book the date and bring friends and/or family to share wonderful homemade soup in a cheerful atmosphere in the Parish Centre.

Reading Phoenix Choir: will be performing at High Street, Methodist Church on Saturday, 27th February at 7.30pm. Tickets £7 from 01628 625823

Thank You: 'Hope Africa' and 'Family Friends' (in Windsor & Maidenhead) have both written to St.Luke's to thank them for the charitable donation which they have just received from us as a result of our collections etc. during 2009. Altogether, £4,700 was distributed between twenty organisations. Further details are given in a leaflet at the back of church. Roger Clarke

BRF Daylight Group: Will meet on Monday, February 1st at 8pm at Windrush, Sheepphouse Road. This is the much postponed meeting and we hope to catch up by looking at January's readings. Contact Jan & Dick Cheek (t.628484)

Saturday Ramble: Our first walk of the new year will be on Saturday, 6th February. Location to be decided but given the short days, it will be somewhere relatively local. Walk length, maximum 8 miles. Meet at church for a 10.30am departure, bring food, a hot drink and suitable clothing/footwear. At the end of the day there will be an opportunity for us to share a meal together, for those who would like to partake. Further details from Roger C. (t.632626)

Outward Giving: The group will be meeting on Thursday, 11th February 2010 to discuss the possibilities for this year's charitable donations. If you have any suggestions for worthy causes would you please pass them on to me asap. Equally, if you would like to become a member of the group I would be pleased to talk to you. Many thanks, Roger Clarke (t.632626)

Church Care Time: Saturday, 13th February, 9am to 12.30pm. Keep our church in good order and help our finances. If you can spare an hour or more for DIY, maintenance or tidying around the church and churchyard please come along and, if you have it, bring equipment for the job. It would help in ensuring that the right equipment and materials are available, if you put your name on the volunteers list in the SW corner of the church. There is also a list of tasks: you may add extra jobs that need doing to this or select what you would like to do, adding your name in either case. Further details from Roger Bevitt (t.633464)

St Luke's Tours - Trip to Derbyshire & Yorkshire: May Day bank holiday weekend of Saturday 1st to Monday 3rd May 2010, to visit Derbyshire and Yorkshire. A deposit of £60 per person will secure your place. Please see Ann or Richard Burdett to let us know if you would like to come and request a booking form.

**THE FLOODLIGHTING HAS BEEN SPONSORED
THIS WEEK
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The Sawyers Family

to celebrate

**Hannah's
second birthday**

