



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 10th April 2022 Palm Sunday

Sunday is the second Sunday of the month and so we have an **8.00am service of Holy Communion** this week. All are welcome.

Our main service this Sunday is a **Parish Communion** at 10 am, which is both in- person and zoomed. We will be listening to the story of Jesus' passion from Luke (chapters 22 and 23) and you may wish to bring a Bible of your own to follow it as we have not reproduced the whole in this sheet. Those of us who are able bodied will **process** from the vicarage into church with our palm crosses - do go to church first to collect books etc.

At 6pm, we are invited to the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green, for a **Taize service** – this is in-person only.

As we move into Holy Week, everyone is warmly invited to join in our daily zoomed **Morning Prayer**. Details of the Holy Week services are later in this news sheet.

The **church will be open** for private prayer and quiet between 6 and 8pm Monday – Thursday and anyone is welcome to drop in.

On **Maundy Thursday**, at our service of Holy Communion, we will be offering handwashing for any who wish for this (rather than foot washing yet). It would be very helpful if you could bring your own hand towel for this service. Thank you. Following the service, we are invited to keep watch in church until 11.45 when Compline will be said, and the church locked at midnight. You are welcome to come and go for the Watch, but please do not leave the service until the reading of the Gospel of the Watch is completed.

Morning Prayer continues: Tuesday – Saturday on Zoom, at 8.30 am (9 am on Sat.)

Evening Prayer, on Fridays at 5pm also on zoom, except on the first Friday monthly.

We are now using the Passiontide order of service on the App or in the red book.

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
who in your tender love towards the human race
sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
to take upon him our flesh
and to suffer death upon the cross:
grant that we may follow the example of his
patience and humility,
and also be made partakers of his resurrection;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you....

Post Communion

Lord Jesus Christ,
you humbled yourself in taking the form of a
servant,
and in obedience died on the cross for our
salvation:
give us the mind to follow you
and to proclaim you as Lord and King,
to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Palm Gospel Reading

29 When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, 30saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. 31If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it."' 32So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. 33As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' 34They said, 'The Lord needs it.' 35Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. 36As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. 37As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, 38saying,

'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!'

39Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' 40He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out'. *Luke 19. 29-40*

A Reading from Isaiah

The servant of the LORD said: 4The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens – wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. 5The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. 6I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

7The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; 8he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. 9It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty? All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up. *Isaiah 50. 4-9a*

A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians

5Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, 6who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, 7but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, 8he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. 9Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, 10so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Philippians 2. 5-11

Sunday's Hymns:

In procession into church: Make way, make way

In church: All glory, laud and honour

54 I cannot tell

129 Ride on, ride on in majesty

Thought for the week:

Right at the moment there is so much that many people are seeking to cope with – individually or within their families, in the nation and of course in the world. Holy week is a good time to remind ourselves that as we go through all sorts of suffering and anguish, we do not do so alone – God is with us.

This week we will all be offered a palm cross in church.

I am reminded that when we turn a cross on its side we get a X – which looks rather like the kiss we might add at the end of an email, or text message – or good old fashioned letter – to someone we care about. And so the cross reminds us that God loves us – he offers us a kiss of love and peace.

Psalm 85. 10, tells us: Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other. And a beautiful Good Friday hymn includes this verse:

On the mount of crucifixion
Fountains opened deep and wide
Through the floodgates of God's mercy
Flowed a vast and gracious tide
Grace and love, like mighty rivers
Poured incessant from above
And Heaven's peace and perfect justice
Kissed a guilty world in love.

John Andrew Schreiner / Robert Lowry / William Rees

This Holy Week may we all know the kiss of God's love, whatever our circumstances.

Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For ourselves – for our keeping of Holy Week
- For schools – staff and learners – as they break up for holidays
- For our coming APCM and for discernment for those who might stand for election to the PCC.
- For the people of Ukraine and Russia, and for the UN. For all world leaders. For peace.
- For our care for creation and sustainable living.
- For our ministry with children through Messy Church and Baby and Toddler group.
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in April: Charlotte Reay, Lucy Traut, Abigail and Jasmine Porro.
- For all those who live and work in St. Cloud Way.
- The sick and their carers : Monica Olley, Tony Boaks, Howard Baxter, Pamela Rivers, Julienne Grobler, Clarice, Andy, Dorothy Nicks, Ann Hockham, Irene, Pat Brooks, Joy Richmond, Andrew, Iris Brown, Jim Mundy.
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Jill Cotterill, John Cox, John Marshall, Eileen Sopp.
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in April: Peter Brown, Philip Agnew, David Sherwood, Elsie Talion, Josephine Eldridge, Myra Ford, Peter Petter, Len Reynolds, Paul Hill, Joan Carpenter, Betty Smith, Irene Weller, Doris Simpson, John Henry, Penelope Lawrence, Fiona Nunn, John Quinn, Lesley Griffiths, Doreen Headington, John Rogers, Vivienne Sewell, Roy Howton, Helen Poynter, Alma Rookie, Roger Bevitt, Diana Philps, Elsie Cummings, Pamela Neville, Bertha Selby, Virginia Mzorori-Murwisi, Dorothy Main, Philip Davies, Alan Coombs, Keith Morris, Ernie Thomas, Brenda Clark, Brian Pitts, Patricia Lovering, Brian Beard, Rita Redhead, Maureen Williams, Reginald Jacobs, Frank Hepburn, Alice Smith, George Hayward, John McLean.



Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 10th April 2022:

Sunday	Psalm 61	1 Corinthians 2. 1-12	
Monday	Psalm 41	Lamentations 1.1-12a	Luke 22.1-23
Tuesday	Psalm 27	Lamentations 3.1-18	Luke 22.24-53
Wednesday	Psalm 102	Jeremiah 11.18-20	Luke 22.54-end
Thursday	Psalm 42. 42	Leviticus 16.2-24	Luke 23.1-25
Friday	Psalm 69	Genesis 22.1-18	John 19.38-end
Saturday	Psalm 142	Hosea 6.1-6	John 2.18-22

Rotas for next week:

Sunday 17th April, Easter Sunday, in church and on zoom

Read: Joan Harnby Intercede: n/a

Welcomers: Jacqueline, Ann and Ben Darracott

Our church is floodlit at night.

This week the floodlighting has been sponsored by Claire Mundy, 'in memory of David Sawyers on what would have been his 80th birthday, Mum and Dad's heavenly Wedding Anniversary and all the families other April celebrations'.



To sponsor the floodlighting please fill in the form at the back of church or email the parish office: admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk
There are lots of available weeks now to fill.

What's on...

This week:

Friday 8 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom, 5.00 pm Evening Prayer on zoom 8.00 pm, Choir practice
Saturday 9 th	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
Sunday 10 th	8.00 am Holy Communion 10.00 am, Parish Communion, in church and on zoom 6.00 Sundays at Six, Taize service
Monday 11 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 6.00 – 8.00 pm, Church open 8.00 pm, Compline with reflection
Tuesday 12 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 6.00 – 8.00 pm, Church open 8.00 pm, Compline with reflection
Wednesday 13 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 10.00 am, Holy Communion 6.00 – 8.00 pm, Church open 8.00 pm, Compline with reflection
Thursday 14 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 2.00 pm, Teas (Community Hall) 6.00 – 8.00 pm, Church open 8.00 pm. Holy Communion for Maundy Thursday, followed by Watch 11.45 pm, Compline

Friday 15 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom, 11.00 am, Walk of Witness 1.00pm, An hour at the Cross 2.00 pm, The Last Hour 3.15 pm Evening Prayer on zoom
Saturday 16 th	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom Church decorating 4.00 pm, Easter Egg Hunt
Sunday 17 th	8.00 am, Easter Day service in Kidwells Park 8.45 am, Breakfast in church – open to all 9.45 am, Lighting of the Paschal Candle, leading to Parish Communion, in church and on zoom

The APCM: is on **Sunday 24th April**, at 11.15 (ish) after the 10 am service. The **Church Electoral Roll** is now closed and in display for checking at the back of church.

Lent charity. It is not possible to hold our usual Lent lunches again this year, but everyone is warmly invited to donate to a Lenten Offertory. This might be by simply giving, by missing a meal or a treat and giving the money it would have cost, or any other means. There will be a Lent Charity Fund box in church each week between now and Good Friday. Proceeds will be split between the humanitarian relief for Ukraine and the work of FACE (the Friends of the Anglican Church in Ethiopia) where a new diocese of Gambella is being established.

Easter flowers. As usual we will be collecting also towards Easter lilies and other flowers. Please place any donations in the box on the table at the back of church **by the end of Palm Sunday**. If you would like to give in memory of loved ones you may wish to list their names on the sheet there also, by the same date.

Confirmation. We are delighted that Bishop Olivia will be leading a confirmation service (for the Deanery) at 10 am on Sunday 19th June. Please speak to one on the ministry team asap if you, or anyone you know, would like to be confirmed then.

Platinum Jubilee Street Party: the church is planning to host a street party at lunchtime on Sunday 5th June for the congregation and surrounding streets. If you would like to help out at all please speak to Revd. Sally, or John or Rita Salter, or come to the next meeting on Thursday 28th April at 7pm in church.

Our Regular activities:

The 8.00 Holy Communion service will continue to be monthly, on the 2nd Sunday.

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

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

Messy Church continues on the first (usually) Friday, monthly, 4-5pm. The next is 6th May. Email Revd. Sally 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 21st April.

Thursday Teas meets in the community hall offering tea, cake and conversation. Second Thursdays monthly. Next is 14th April.

Gaynor's Gift is a prayer shawl knitting ministry that anyone can take part in at home. We meet together fortnightly to pray, knit and drink tea. Both in church and on zoom, 4th Thursdays monthly. The next is 28th April.

Sundays at Six A chance to worship with friends from All Saints and the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green. We will continue to meet fortnightly, with a mix of zoom and in-church services. The programme is on our website and here:

Please note that for all Zoom services the links below are being used:

Sunday Morning Worship:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87358197400?pwd=MTFxVINad1R6NEl6cVZ6TVJ5bGlzd09>

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)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88677688468?pwd=WnF3aEQ2dTdLYjB1dDEvQ2YwcTJJZz09>

Meeting ID: 886 7768 8468

Passcode: 132142

Sundays at Six:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83058792852?pwd=NWQ2dzJNRzZJRGdRejJUa0pQOTBJZz09>

Meeting ID: 830 5879 2852

Passcode: 936128

Gaynor's Gift: Prayer Shawl Ministry 3pm, 4th Thursday, monthly

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87303393953?pwd=L003Witra0E2RmExeEZiSiJbS9zQT09>

Meeting ID: 873 0339 3953

Passcode: 445440