St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead





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Week commencing: 22nd November 2020 The Feast of Christ the King

Today is 'Stir-up Sunday'. Have you made your Christmas pudding yet? Although the 'stir up collect' has been relegated to post communion prayer in the modern service book, I have slipped it into our service for Sunday despite it not being communion – it is just such a special prayer!

Watch out for an Advent delivery from St. Luke's in the next week, a little 'something' to help you through Advent. If you live locally and have not received yours by 28th please email me and I will ensure you get an envelope.

Advent Sunday: next week, our 10 am service will be the Advent Ring Service, zoomed from church. At this service, which is familiar to many of you, we will be lighting all five of the candles on our Advent Ring as we recall the story of Advent. You may like to have your own Advent Ring or Wreath at home and light your candles along with us. Traditionally the church uses three purple candles (the colour of the season), one pink (for Mary) and a white in the centre, but you could use any candles you like, of any shape or size or colour.

This Sunday we are again offering a Zoomed Service of the Word, broadcast from church, at 10 am. The order of service is attached to the weekly email and can be found on the website too. Please do join us, and you might like to 'stay for coffee' (yes, provide your own again!) and to join a breakout room to chat to others for a while. The link to join the service is: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85097790796?pwd=NUIBZE5PL3hIOFEyUm110TNxc0InUT09</u>

Password: 900393

Meeting ID: 850 9779 0796

We continue to offer a Zoom Morning Prayer daily at 9am (except Mondays, **and the next three Sundays, resuming Sunday 6th Dec**.) and Evening Prayer at 5pm on Fridays. The order of service can be found on our website or the Daily Prayer App. Just ask if you need help finding it. The links are: **Zoom Morning Prayer**,

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84140066083?pwd=ZIZ0bXgvQ0t1UTIZcW10YIFNSnpPZz09 Meeting ID: 841 4006 6083 Passcode: 544130

Zoom Evening Prayer at 5pm on Fridays:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83350227277?pwd=QnhoT0E1YXFid09BeDZTUFFxa2JCQT09 Meeting ID: 833 5022 7277 Passcode: 262906

Morning Prayer, daily (except Monday, and Sunday at present) on Zoom *Readings for the week beginning Sunday 22nd November are:*

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Sunday	Psalm 20	Luke 19. 29-38	
Monday	Psalm 96	Isaiah 40. 1-11	Revelation 14. 1-13
Tuesday	Psalm 97	Isaiah 40. 12-26	Revelation 14.14-end of 15
Wednesday	Psalm 112	Isaiah 40. 27-4.7	Revelation 16.1-11

Thursday	Psalm 125	Isaiah 41. 8-20	Revelation 16. 12-end
Friday	Psalm 139	Isaiah 41.21-42.9	Revelation 17
Saturday	Psalm 145	Isaiah 42.10-17	Revelation 18
Sunday	Psalm 44	Luke 12.35-48	

Evening Prayer at 5pm on Fridays, on Zoom The readings for the coming week are: Psalm 146

Matthew 11.2-19

Sundays at Six: Night Prayer on Zoom on the first and third Sundays of each month, use the littleblue book: 'Prayers for the use of the Church during the coronavirus outbreak'.Next: 29th Novemberhttps://us02web.zoom.us/j/82362755135?pwd=bmZYRkdIbW1SUjhtaHINMnBDTzF1QT09Meeting ID: 823 6275 5135Passcode: 737489

All Saints Church is holding **Night Prayer on Zoom**, weekly at 8pm on Thursdays, and anyone is welcome to join in.

Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For all people coping with another national lockdown
- That all national and local leaders might work together for the health and wellbeing of our nation and all people
- For President-Elect Biden and the people of the USA
- For all NHS staff, carers, Care Home staff and those caring for the sick, and for those in RBWM who are testing positive for Covid 19.
- For our brothers and sisters of faith at the Synagogue, Mosques, Gurdwara and elsewhere
- For the people of Armenia and Azerbaijan, that fighting may cease and ordinary people and their homes might be protected
- For the church in Ethiopia and the people of that country, Egypt and the Horn of Africa
- For our planning for the Christmas Tree Trail.
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in November: Eddie Freear, Arthur Freear, Lillian Pyrke, Owen Green, Lilly Hutchinson, Robert Midgley, Beatrix Ribton, Isabella Burdett, Fred Wilson.
- For all those who live and work in Gables Close
- The sick and those who care for them: John Francis, Tony Lucas, Monica Olley, Stan Swansborough, Tony Boaks, and Mick Curley
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Meg Widdicombe
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in November: Joan Joyce, Stuart Courtier, Eileen Hurst, Ruth Keys, Mary Church, Thomas Speakman, Peter Bell, Margaret Bowdery, George Newman, Catherine Vincent, Trevor Headington, Francisca Knowles, Marcus Lawes, James Herbert, Mary Fox, Alice Newman, Roy Rance, Brian Roberts, Charles Hummer, Evelyn Surridge, Olive Powell, Beryl Maguire, Jack Jones, John Lovegrove, Dennis Jones, Christopher Haywood.

Rotas for next week (Advent Ring Service) - on Zoom: TBC

Our church is floodlit at night.

This week the floodlighting has been sponsored this week by Mr T Autos



To sponsor the floodlighting just call or email Revd. Sally.

What's on... and other news...

Do stay in touch with us during lockdown – and let us know if there us anything you need.

We have become aware that some people's internet provision is not as good as it might be with slower speeds and poor quality. If you are having difficulty you like to ask Dave Sopp's advice, he has helped a number of people recently – Revd Sally is very happy to forward enquiries.

Quiet morning: in preparation for Advent, Revd. Phyl will be leading a Zoomed Quiet Morning onSaturday 28th November, from 9.45 am p- 12.30 pm. Everyone is warmly invited to join in, having alittle space for reflection together on Zoom and in the comfort of your own home - or walkingnearby. It would help Phyl if you could just her know that you'd like to join in – she may have a littlesomething to get to you beforehand! Email: fourbeaus@btinternet.comhttps://us02web.zoom.us/j/85292715042?pwd=bkJ2SjFqVjhXc01BdldObkRtZVY1Zz09Meeting ID: 852 9271 5042Passcode: 699448

Christmas Tree (Trail (in lieu of a festival):

So far we have just over 30 trees booked into out trail – we need at least double that so please do encourage people to take part. We also need now:

- Offers of help to distribute posters /flyers etc
- You to print and display the CTT poster with this email
- TELL people about it and encourage entries
- Prayer for the whole event.

Christmas services: we do not yet know what will be possible in terms of services in church at Christmas. We will keep you updated in this weekly email but we are hoping to offer, live and socially distanced:

Sunday 20th December: 4pm and 6pm Carol services (must be booked)

Christmas Eve: 4.30 pm: Zoomed / Recorded Crib service

9.00 pm: 'Midnight' Mass

Christmas Day: 10.00 am: Festal Parish Communion

Messy Church: we will be doing Messy Christmas at 4pm on Zoom on Friday 4th December. Do contact Revd. Sally for the Zoom link (not public for safeguarding reasons) and for an advance craft pack.

Bishop Olivia led our last Deanery Synod with a very helpful address and discussion. You can hear her address here: <u>https://youtu.be/ydQLmU-1IZA</u>

Smile Amazon Fundraising: as you do your online Christmas shopping, don't forget to sue Amazon Smile and EasyFundraising:

<u>https://smile.amazon.co.uk/</u> **1129951** will immediately list just us in the search results – click the Select button to confirm the choice.

http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stlukesmaidenhead

If you know of someone who would like to receive this update and does not have access to the internet, please do print a copy for them. Please note that the church office is open on reduced hours so urgent communication should be to the vicarage telephone and my email. Vicar: The Reverend Sally Lynch (01628) 783033 The Annual Year Book with contact details for key parish personally can be accessed on the church website: https://d3hgrlq6yacptf.cloudfront.net/5f43daddd67a8/content/pages/documents/1596271439.pdf