



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 30th October 2022 , All Saints Sunday

This Sunday our 10 am service is a Parish Communion service for All Saints Day, in church and on zoom, at 10 am.

Then, at 4pm, we have our Annual Memorial service at which we remember all those whom we have loved and lost, at any time. Everyone is warmly invited to the service, and to stay for light refreshments afterwards. This is an opportunity to reflect and to light candles in memory of our loved ones.

The Collect

Almighty God,
you have knit together your elect
in one communion and fellowship
in the mystical body of your Son
Christ our Lord:
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints
in all virtuous and godly living
that we may come to those inexpressible joys
that you have prepared
for those who truly love you;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord...

Post Communion

God, the source of all holiness
and giver of all good things:
may we who have shared at this table
as strangers and pilgrims here on earth
be welcomed with all your saints
to the heavenly feast on the day
of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesians

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Ephesians 1. 11-end

The Gospel reading

Then Jesus looked up at his disciples and said:

'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Luke 6. 20-31

Sunday's Hymns:

P:	380	At the name of Jesus (v 1,3,5,6)
G:	Screen	The Lord's my shepherd (Townend)
O:	54	I cannot tell
R:	232	For all the Saints

Hymn words on screen for zoomers:

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;

He makes me lie in pastures green,

He leads me by the still, still waters,

His goodness restores my soul.

And I will trust in you alone,

And I will trust in you alone,

For your endless mercy follows me,

Your goodness will lead me home.

And I will trust in you alone...

And though I walk the darkest path –

I will not fear the evil one,

For you are with me, and your rod and staff

Are the comfort I need to know.

And I will trust in you alone...

He guides my ways in righteousness,

And he anoints my head with oil;

And my cup – it overflows with joy,

I feast on his pure delights.

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Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For school staff and children returning from holidays
- For our King, Charles III.
- For our new Prime Minister, and all MPs, for wisdom and integrity.
- For all who are worried and struggling with the cost of living.
- For those who are hungry, or who eat alone every day.
- For our ministry as part of the Warm Welcome scheme, and Thursday lunches.
- That we may embrace our ministry as an inclusive church, in every way.

- For our whole life and ministry as a church family – that we may serve God and bring His love to our community.
- For preparations for our Christmas Tree Festival – that many trees will be sponsored and that we may have lots of helpers.
- For the people of Ukraine and Russia, and for the UN. For all world leaders. For peace.
- For our ministry with children and for our plans to appoint a Children and Family Leader.
- For our care for creation and sustainable living, for our work towards becoming an Eco church.
- For ourselves – that we may live as saints in the light of Jesus
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in November: Owen Green, Lilly Hutchinson, Robert Midgley, Beatrice Ribton, Isabella Burdett, Fred Wilson, Harper Hutchinson.
- For all those who live and work in Yew Tree Close.
- The sick and their carers : Monica Olley, Tony Boaks, Howard Baxter, Pamela Rivers, Julienne Grobler, Clarice, Andy, Dorothy Nicks, Ann Hockham, Pat Brooks, Andrew, Jim Mundy, Naila Watanabe, Valerie Bosley, Joan Lynch, Harry, Eunice Goodman, Robert Lewis.
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Charles Goodman
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in November: Ruth Keys, Mary Fox, Marcus Lawes, James Herbert, Eileen Hurst, Francisca Knowles, Stuart Courtier, Joan Joyce, Trevor Headington, Catherine Vincent, Peter Bell, Margaret Bowdery, George Newman, Brian Roberts, Charles Hummer, Evelyn Surridge, Olive Powell, Beryl McGuire, Jack Jones, John Lovegrove, Dennis Jones, Christopher Haywood, Wayne Smith, Kenneth Rivers.

Thought for the week:

When did you last look in the mirror?

What did you think about what you saw?

It is very easy for us to have low opinions of ourselves and to put ourselves down.

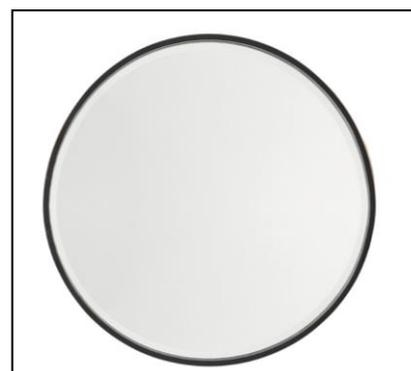
On All Saints Day we celebrate the lives of all those amazing women and men of faith who have gone before us and lived their lives in Christ as shining examples – in the light of whose mirrors we may feel inadequate.

We should not do that!

All Saints Day is followed swiftly by All Souls Day, when we remember ALL Christian people, of whom we are each one. When we say the Creed we say that we believe in the ‘community of saints’ – that is, the whole family of God, together a powerful unity but each individually loved, unique and special before God.

I was with an ‘old’ friend this week of 92. As she reflected back on her life and ministry she said, simply, ‘I have tried to live as I have felt called to do’. That is all that is required of each of us – as saints in God’s family.

Next time you look in a mirror why not see yourself reflected back through God’s eyes – a saint, beloved, special and unique.



Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 30th October 2022:

Sunday	Psalm 87	Colossians 1.9-14	
Monday	Psalm 2	Daniel 1	Revelation 1
Tuesday, All Saints	Psalm 15	Isaiah 35.1-9	Luke 9.18-27
Wednesday	Psalm 9	Daniel 2.25-end	Revelation 2.12-end
Thursday	Psalm 15	Daniel 3.1-18	Revelation 3.1-13
Friday	Psalm 16	Daniel 3.19-end	Revelation 3.14-end
Saturday	Psalm 18.31-end	Daniel 4.1-18	Revelation 4

Rotas for next week:

Sunday 6th November, All Age Holy Parish Communion, in church and on zoom

Read: James Ellins Intercede: Revd Sally

Welcomers: Clare, Ann and Ben Coffee: Paul and Marc

Our church is floodlit at night.

This week the floodlighting is sponsored by:

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Given rising fuel prices, it is suggested the minimum donation for weekly sponsorship is now £15.

What's on... This week:

Saturday 29 th	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
Sunday 30 th	10.00 am, Parish Communion, in church and on zoom 4.00 pm, Memorial service
Tuesday 1 st	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 7.00 pm, WAMCF Dialogue, Gurdwara
Wednesday 2 nd	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 10.00 am, Holy Communion
Thursday 3 rd	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 9.30 – 11.00 am Baby and Toddler group, in church 12.00 – 2.00 pm, Midday meals – open to all 7.30 pm, Christmas Tree Festival meeting on zoom
Friday 4 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 4.00 pm, Messy Church 8.00 pm, Choir practice
Saturday 5 th	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
Sunday 6 th	10.00 am, All Age Holy Communion, in church and on zoom 6.00 pm, Sundays at Six: All Souls Eucharist at All Saints

Coming up...

Café church: fourth Sunday at 4pm, in church (not on zoom). Informal, lay led time with tea and cake, prayer stations for all ages and closing reflection. **Next:** 27th November.

The **Christmas Tree Festival** will be back in full swing this year. Friday 9th – Sunday 11th December. If you would like to sponsor and decorate a tree please ask Revd. Sally for details, or email the parish office. As ever, we will need lots of helpers to make this CTF run well. A sign up sheet for helpers is now on the table at the back of church – it would be fabulous if everyone could offer an hour or so to help out (there are lots of sitting down tasks as well as active ones).

Knitted sheep: we hope to send our Travelling Knitivity round the parish again this year but our flock of sheep is seriously diminished. If you are able to knit a sheep or two please do take a pattern from the table at the back of church or ask the office or Revd Sally for one. The flock all needs to be gathered in for 25th November please.

An Advent event from Queen's Foundation, Birmingham:

This Advent we will be hosting a live mixed-mode event (28th of November) which considers how we can approach advent at time of such crisis in our world. Queen's tutors will lead a discussion on this theme.

Each booking will also come with a resource booklet that churches or groups of individuals may choose to use, should they so wish, to structure further reflections during the season of advent.

Link to further information and the booking form below:

<https://www.queens.ac.uk/events/tidings-of-comfort-and-joy-reconsidering-advent-in-a-time-of-crisis>

Quiz Night is back: James and Louisa are leading another of their famed Quiz Nights on Saturday 26th November at 7.30 pm. To save heating the church this will be on zoom but you may wish to form teams in each others homes, especially if you are on your own.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87577616957?pwd=MzJCOC9Mc0gxSC9Ld1RjK25HYWw2dz09>

Meeting ID: 875 7761 6957

Passcode: 259028

The church Eco Team is open to everyone. All are warmly invited to go along and contribute to the planning and discussion – helping us to become a more eco friendly church and individuals. Next meeting: Weds 23rd November at 8pm, at 23 College Avenue. More details from Revd. Phyl.

We are delighted to have been chosen by the **CoOp as a recipient of their Community Fund** for the coming year. By shopping in the CoOp now you can support this church.

St. Luke's Church is part of the @Coopuk Local Community Fund, to find out more about our project and to choose us as your cause, click here

<https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/68757> #ItsWhatWeDo

Our particular project is to redevelop the churchyard to make it a more useable community space for quiet and to support the natural environment.



WAMCF (Interfaith group) activities

WAMCF Autumn 2022 Dialogues, 7pm to 830pm followed by refreshments.

Tuesday 1st November Maidenhead Gurdwara

Topic: What is the one thing you'd most like to change about the world?

Tuesday 29th November Maidenhead Mosque

Topic: Can religious faith make you a happy person?

Sunday 20th November Faith Walk 2pm – 3pm

Interfaith Week 13th – 20th November 2022 / 2pm – 3pm, starting and ending (with refreshments) at St. Luke's church.

Sundays at Six, this Autumn, All Services are at 6.00pm Zoom link: use Sunday morning

30 th October NB: 4 pm:	Memorial services, in church, at St. Luke's, and the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green
6 th November	All Souls Eucharist at All Saints
20 th November NB 3pm	Interfaith walk and tea Starts 2pm from St. Luke's, ending around 3pm back at St. Luke's.
27th November	Taize service, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green NB changed date
11 th December	Christmas Tree Festival Service, at St. Luke's
18 th December	Carol Services at each church at 6.00 pm

And on the 4th Sunday monthly: (except December)

3pm, Deaf Church, at Cox Green 4pm, Sundays at 4, at All Saints 4pm, Café church, at St. Luke's

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.

Warm Welcome Thursdays midday – 2pm, a warm space in church to meet with others (or just be quiet and warm) and have a warm meal. Free, and open to all.

Messy Church continues on the first (usually) Friday, monthly, 4-5pm. Next, 4th November. 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 17th November.

Thursday Teas meets in the community hall offering tea, cake and conversation. Second Thursdays monthly. Next is 10th November.

Gaynor's Gift is a prayer shawl knitting ministry that anyone can take part in at home. We meet together monthly to pray, knit and drink tea. Both in church and on zoom, 4th Thursdays monthly. The next is 24th November.

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Sunday Morning Worship:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87358197400?pwd=MTFxVINad1R6NEl6cVZ6TVJ5bGlzdz09>

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=Y2hKZkFYZ04zbGZBd1BHcmllU5Hdz09>

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