



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 3rd July 2022
Trinity 3 / St. Thomas

Our service this Sunday is an All Age Holy Communion with young people helping to lead. Do bring families along to join in.

The Collect

Almighty and eternal God,
who, for the firmer foundation of our faith,
allowed your holy apostle Thomas
to doubt the resurrection of your Son
till word and sight convinced him:
grant to us, who have not seen,
that we also may believe
and so confess Christ as our Lord and our God;
who is alive and reigns with you...

The Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching
and fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Gospel reading

24 Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

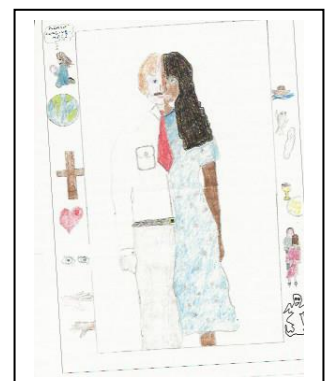
26 A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' 27 Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' 28 Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' 29 Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

John 20. 14-29

Sunday's Hymns:

Sht Our God is a great big God 375 Amazing Grace
Sht Jesus put this song in our hearts

Thought for the week: 'seeing is believing'. How do YOU see God? One of my pupils drew this picture many years ago to demonstrate how she understood God. Of course, we can't see God as such, but our mental picture influences what we believe and how we 'are' with God. Sometimes it feels like seeing God face to face might make life easier – Jesus told Thomas not to allow himself to stress about this – blessed are we who believe without needing to see. God sees us and our needs and joys – that is what matters.



Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For those dealing with the aftermath of the Afghanistan earthquakes, and the Bangladesh floods.
- For the people of Ukraine and Russia, and for the UN. For all world leaders. For peace.
- For schools nearing the end of term.
- For those preparing for confirmation: Katty and John, Becky, Ruth, and candidates from other churches.
- For our care for creation and sustainable living.
- For the international refugees currently living in Maidenhead and the people who are supporting them
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in July: Jack Kirk, Olivia Turner, Harry Raymond, William and Theo Sharma, Florence Priestley.
- For Declan Pyrke and Bella Edmunds, baptised here recently.
- For all those who live and work in Summerlease Road
- For Emma and Hamish, and for Richard and Rebecca, married here recently.
- The sick and their carers : Monica Olley, Tony Boaks, Howard Baxter, Pamela Rivers, Julienne Grobler, Clarice, Andy, Dorothy Nicks, Ann Hockham, Pat Brooks, Joy Richmond, Andrew, Jim Mundy, Naila Watanabe, Valerie Bosley, Iris Brown, Louise, Rupert, Charles Goodman.
- For all those currently suffering with covid.
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: Gerry Knight
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in July: Edward (Steve) Stevens, Beryl Dandridge, Christopher Griffiths, Peter Emmons, Ada Rolls, Barbara Ward, Shirley Sattler, Dorothy Barnard, John Draper, Cyril Vizard, Ann Ringer, Diana Bradfield, Siew Kee Bentley, Andrew Ross, Janet Cheek, Joyce Newman, Ronald Young, Nellie Edwards, Roy Pond, John Rodwell, Irene Daniells, Robert Roberts, Edward Richardson, Raymond Pullin.

Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 3rd July 2022:

Sunday	Psalm 92	John 11.1-16	
Monday	Psalm 71	Judges 8.22-end	Luke 15.1-10
Tuesday	Psalm 73	Judges 9.1-21	Luke 15.11-end
Wednesday	Psalm 77	Judges 9. 22-end	Luke 16.1-18
Thursday	Psalm 78.1-39	Judges 11.1-11	Luke 16.19-end
Friday	Psalm 55	Judges 11.29-end	Luke 17.1-10
Saturday,	Psalm 76	Judges 12.1-7	Luke 17.11-19

Rotas for next week:**Sunday 3rd July, Trinity 3, All Age Holy Communion in church and on zoom**

Read: Rachel Beaumont Intercede: Jeanette Lock

Welcomers: Jacqueline, Simon, Lisa Coffee: Jeanette, Kate

Our church is floodlit at night.

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

To sponsor the floodlighting please fill in the form at the back of church or email the parish office: admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk



Joining in...

At our planning session in May we thought about setting up teams of people to get more involved in the various roles and tasks in church – both as leaders and participants. Some are very practical and others are more about nurture and spirituality.

There is now a sign-up sheet in church for everyone to get involved... please do prayerfully consider what you might get stuck into as part of church life. There are teams for...

Leading worship - reading or leading intercessions

Setting up for worship – on Sundays or special services

Welcoming people – at the door or by delivering new home cards

Supporting Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals – with admin or befriending

Baby and Toddler group – on the coffee rota / setting up for it

Messy Church – helping with crafts, activities or food

Taize services – reading, singing or playing / helping set up / refreshments

Coffee and catering – helping serve after church coffee / helping cater at events

Nurture – hosting or leading small groups or Bible studies

Finance – sharing expertise on the finance team

Cleaning – being in the rota to help keep our church looking beautiful

Gardening - as above

Eco church – passionate about climate and creation care – being an ambassador for this

Outreach and service – being involved in care for the wider community in a raft of ways

What might YOU join in with? 😊

What's on...

This week:

Thursday 30 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
	9.30 – 11.00 am, Baby and Toddler group, in church
Friday 1 st July	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
	2.00 pm, Wedding of Emma and Hamish
	4.00 pm, Messy Church (vicarage garden) 8.00 pm, Choir practice
Saturday 2 nd	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
	1.00 pm, Wedding of Rebecca and Richard
Sunday 3 rd	10.00 am, All Age Holy Communion, in church and on zoom
	12.00 pm, Baptism of Bella Edmunds
Monday 4 th	eve: St. Piran's School Leavers service in church
Tuesday 5 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
	7.30 pm, Holy Communion
	8.00 pm, PCC meeting
Wednesday 6 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
	10.00 am, Holy Communion
Thursday 7 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
	9.30 – 11.00 am, Baby and Toddler group, in church
	2.00 pm, St. Luke's School Leavers service in church
Friday 8 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 5.00 pm, Evening Prayer on zoom
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
	5.45 pm, Sundays at Six: Prayer Walk - meet on Ray Mill Island Bridge

Looking ahead...

Confirmation: re-arranged for Wednesday 13th July at 7pm. Please do come if you can to support our candidates.

Diocesan Festival of Prayer: Saturday 9th July from 10 am p 4.35 pm at Cuddeson College, near Oxford. Click here for info: https://mcusercontent.com/14501d5eebc3e98fa3015a290/files/bc7ac538-561e-7168-3219-6565df55b454/FoP_leaflet_2022_web.pdf. This will be an excellent day. If you are thinking of going do have a word with Revd. Sally or with Jeanette lock.

Quiet day, Saturday 16th July. We have again booked to spend a quiet day at Goosebury Hall in Epping. We will share transport and leave around 9 am, returning here for around 5pm. Please sign up on church to join us (or email Revd Sally). Cost £10 pp.

Garden party, Sunday 4th September, 3pm. Join us in the vicarage garden for a fund raising Gsrden party to draw the summer to a close. Details and tickets to come, but book the date now.

Supporting Asylum seekers: Nigel Cohen (Maiden head synagogue) writes: Maidenhead currently hosts between 300-400 asylum seekers, of which around 80 are children. They have landed in Maidenhead after journeys for many of several thousand miles. Almost without exception, they have fled their country in fear of their lives. Generally, they have come with little more than the clothes on their back. And seeking asylum means they are not permitted to work and face a very uncertain future not knowing if they will be sent back to their country of origin.

A number of charities, supported strongly by our Churches, are trying to help. We are arranging a traditional English Tea in July. It will give the refugees a chance to get out, enjoy our hospitality and sample the best of our home made sandwiches and cakes. Perhaps more importantly, it will allow the asylum seekers to meet local people who care about them, their families and their suffering.

The Tea is on provisionally, Saturday 16 July at 4pm, at the Cox Green Community Centre which is within walking distance of the asylum seekers. We would love you to come to meet the asylum seekers, to share with them our human warmth and to give them hope. Anyone who wants to help by making cakes or sandwiches is also especially welcome. If you would like to come or to help with food, please email the church office with your name and the number of people you will bring with you. Please let them know if you are planning to make or bring along any food so we can make sure we have enough.

As we look into the autumn, we move into the Season of Creation.

We have received this invitation

The Parish Community of St Joseph and St Elizabeth, Maidenhead, would like to invite the Parishioners and Communities of Churches Together In Maidenhead (CTIM) to attend an Ecumenical Service, at St Joseph's Church on Thursday 1st September 2022, to mark the start of this year's Season of Creation. The Service will begin at 2:00 pm and will be followed by a reception in Parish Centre. It is hoped that other Members of CTIM will join in the Readings and Reflection as we "Listen to the Voice of Creation.

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 1st July. Email Revd. Sally to book a place. Please note that the August MC will take place on Friday 12th.

Keeping Company is our monthly meeting for those bereaved (at any time). Third Thursday at 3pm, in church. The next is 21st July.

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

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 23rd June.

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, mix of zoom and in-church services.

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=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

Sundays at Six:

Use the Sunday morning link

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

Link for 19th May:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88627244304?pwd=q-AMP0lnkyLAIA_vgbwenjXHcCxyxo.1

Meeting ID: 886 2724 4304

Passcode: 042474