



# St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

[www.stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk](http://www.stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk)

[This sheet is also available on the above website]

Church Office: 01628 622733

[admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk](mailto:admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk)

Vicar: [sally514@btinternet.co](mailto:sally514@btinternet.co)

## Week commencing: 5<sup>th</sup> March, Second Sunday of Lent

This week we have an All Age Holy Communion service at 10 am, to which everyone warmly invited. Children will be making a Lent tree and adults will start to watch the diocese *Come and See* videos.

### The Collect

Almighty God,  
you show to those who are in error  
the light of your truth,  
that they may return to the way  
of righteousness:  
grant to all those who are admitted  
into the fellowship of Christ's religion,  
that they may reject those things  
that are contrary to their profession,  
and follow all such things  
as are agreeable to the same;...

### Post Communion

Almighty God,  
you see that we have no power of ourselves  
to help ourselves:  
keep us both outwardly in our bodies,  
and inwardly in our souls;  
that we may be defended from all adversities  
which may happen to the body,  
and from all evil thoughts which may assault  
and hurt the soul;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### A reading from the Book of Genesis

1The LORD said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. 2I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. 3I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.'

4So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

*Genesis 12. 1-4a*

### The Gospel Reading

1There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. 2He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' 3Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' 4Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' 5Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. 6What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." 8The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' 9Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' 10Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

11'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? 13No one has ascended into heaven except the one who



*Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2023:*

Sunday	Psalm 74	Matthew 8.1-13	
Monday	Psalm 32	Jeremiah 7.21-end	John 6.41-51
Tuesday	Psalm 50	Jeremiah 8.1-15	John 6.52-59
Wednesday	Psalm 35	Jeremiah 8.18-9.11	John 6.60 -end
Thursday	Psalm 34	Jeremiah 9.1-13	John 7.1-13
Friday	Psalm 41	Jeremiah 10.1-16	John 7.14-24
Saturday	Psalm 25	Jeremiah 10.17-24	John 7. 25-36

**Rotas for next week:**

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March, Parish Communion, in church and on zoom**

Read: Jean TD

Intercede: Jeanette Lock

Welcomers: Ralph, Sue and Shula

Coffee: Sally and Jeanette

**Our church is floodlit at night.**

This week the flood lighting has been sponsored by John Cotterill  
*In loving memory of Jill who died on 7<sup>th</sup> March last year*

To sponsor the floodlighting please fill in the form at the back of church or email:  
[admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk](mailto:admin@stlukeschurchmaidenhead.org.uk) The 2023 form is now available.



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

**What's on... This week:**

**Please note the parish office is closed 6<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> March**

Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 2.00 pm, World Day of Prayer service, Salvation Army 4.00 pm, Messy Church
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>8.30 am</b> , Morning Prayer, on zoom <b>ECO CHURCH DAY</b>
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am, All Age Holy Communion
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 7.45 pm PCC, in church
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 10.00 am Holy Communion 11.00 am, Lent course (church and zoom)
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 9.30 am, Baby and Toddler Group 2.00 pm, Teas (community hall) 7.30 pm, Lent course (parish office)
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom Morning: Asst Administrator interviews 5.00 pm Evening prayer, on zoom
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 4.00 pm, wedding blessing
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 am, Holy Communion 10.00 am, Parish Communion 6.00 pm, Sundays at Six Lent Reflections, on zoom

**Sundays at Six:** All Services are at 6.00pm Zoom link: use Sunday morning or as specified above

12 <sup>th</sup> March	Lenten Reflections, on zoom Led by St. Luke's
26 <sup>th</sup> March	Stations of the Cross, in church at All Saints (Passion Sunday)
2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Taizé service, in church Led by the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green (Palm Sunday)
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Easter reflections, on zoom Led by St Luke's

And on the 4th Sunday monthly:

3pm, Deaf Church, at Cox Green      4pm, Sundays at 4, at All Saints

We 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>

### 'Open the Box' for The Children's Society, Sunday 26 March

Sincere thanks to everyone who keeps a collection box for The Children's Society and so generously supports its vital and life-changing work with children and young people in our country who are most vulnerable and at risk. We would love you to bring your boxes to church on Sunday 26 March, when they will be opened, and funds counted, during coffee. If you can't come along on that day, please let Terrie know ([terrie.robinson2702@gmail.com](mailto:terrie.robinson2702@gmail.com) or 01628 634107) and she will arrange something with you.

The funds you have collected in your boxes will help The Children's Society to provide accessible well-being services for young people with nowhere else to turn; work directly with children and young people who don't feel safe, loved, or able to cope; keep the pressure up on people in power to make much-needed policy changes that improve the lives of families, and run programmes that train professionals and police to be better able to safeguard children who have been abused and exploited.

If you don't have a Children's Society collection box but would like one, please let Terrie know. Huge thanks for your kindness and generosity.

### Coming up..

#### Lent course 2023

We are using a course based on Ruth Valerio's book: *Saying yes to life*.

Wednesdays at 11 am in church and on zoom (use the Morning Prayer link), and Thursdays at 7.30 pm in person, in the parish office.

We will also use the diocesan **Come and See** materials on Sundays.

**Come and See** also has a family resource that you may wish to use:

Family resource: <https://mailchi.mp/oxford.anglican.org/come-and-see-for-families>

### **Living your best life?**

Everybody wants to know how to live their life in the best way possible, and we all need a vision for what it means to be human.

The Beatitudes, the incredible manifesto from Jesus recorded in the Sermon on the Mount, are our guide to living well and a great way of exploring faith... whatever stage of the journey we're on.

Taking place this Lent, **Come and See** is a series of daily emails and a short video to watch each Sunday. The emails include a scripture reading, a reflection from the bishop and a daily moment to pause and be encouraged before the busyness of the day begins.

Now in its third year Come and See is hugely popular, thanks in part to its deceptively simple approach.

Whether you're exploring faith for the first time or have been coming to church for many years, just five minutes a day using the Come and See materials promises to be life-giving, and life changing.

Come and See is free of charge. Find out more and register online at [oxford.anglican.org/come-and-see](http://oxford.anglican.org/come-and-see)

**Messy Church** our next Messy church is on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March when we will be thinking about Messy miracles – Jesus' resurrection. 4pm. £2 per child. All welcome. Do email Revd. Sally to book places (so we know how many to cater for).

**Easter flowers:** we have a team who will be decorating the church for Easter, if you would like to join them please let Joan Harnby or Revd Sally know – all very welcome.

**Donations** towards the cost of Easter flowers and lilies are now invited. Please give your donations directly to Rita Salter, who is collecting them this year. There will NOT be a box in church. If you prefer to give by bacs or by card please will you also drop a note to Rita ([jandrsalter@btinternet.com](mailto:jandrsalter@btinternet.com)) so that the flower team know how they have in total. Thank you very much.

You may wish to give to the flowers in **memory of loved ones**. There is a sheet at the back of church on which you are invited to write their names. These will be displayed in church as usual at Easter.

Details of **Holy week and Easter** services will be published next week.

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March: Quiet day:** the Revd. Geoffrey Connor will lead a in church day focussing on the Anglo Saxon poem: the Dream of the Rood. This is a perfect lead into Passiontide and will allow plenty of space for reflection and quiet. 9.30 am – 3.00pm with lunch provided. Please sign up in church as usual.

**APCM:** in order to allow more time for the accounts to be finalised and inspected, the PCC has decided to delay the APCM until **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April**, at 11.15 (ish) after the 10 am service.

**Church Electoral Roll:** If you are not on the Electoral Roll, please ensure that you register asap – there are now forms at the back of church for this purpose, a welcomer can find one for you if you fail!. Please return the form directly to the parish office, the PCC secretary or one of the ministers. Anyone wishing to stand for PCC or to vote at the APCM must be on the Electoral Roll. There is a copy of the

current Roll on the table at the back of church if anyone wishes to check it. The Roll will close on 9<sup>th</sup> April, and then be published (names only) in church before the APCM.

**INSPIRE:** we are delighted that Miriam Mansour has agreed to edit our parish magazine. Having not had an edition for a while many people must surely have articles just waiting to be written and sent in. Please do send your articles to: [miamii.mansour3@gmail.com](mailto:miamii.mansour3@gmail.com) by 17<sup>th</sup> March ready for an Easter publication date.

Please note that this is a different email address as we cannot access the other. So, **if you have already sent articles, please would you re-send to this address.**

**Please also send photos as separate attachments so that they can be accessed and used.** Thank you.

**Quench pop-up shop:** Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March, 9.30 am - 12.30 pm at the Salvation Army, East Road, SL6 1PJ. Advance orders also taken - see [Quench Latest News \(mailcentric.co.uk\)](http://Quench Latest News (mailcentric.co.uk))

**Coronation Celebrations:** do book Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May in your diaries for a church family bring and share lunch – details to come.

### WAMCF Joy of Movement Programme with Anisha

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February until Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April

6pm to 7pm via Zoom

If anyone would like to join please could you ask them to send me their name and email address: [samuelsberks@aol.com](mailto:samuelsberks@aol.com). I will ensure they are on our participant list to receive the Zoom link.

**Called to Care for God's Creation**

Free

How can we live More Sustainably?

With  
Dr Martin J Hodson & Revd Margot Hodson

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2023**  
**10 - 3pm**  
**St. Luke's Church**  
Norfolk Road  
Maidenhead SL6 7AX

**Stations of the Cross**

**All Saints Church Boyne Hill Maidenhead**

This short (40 min) devotional service follows Our Lord on his final journey from his being condemned to death, to his crucifixion and his burial. Along the way, Jesus encounters his Mother Mary, Veronica who wipes his face, Simon of Cyrene who helps to carry his cross, and the Women of Jerusalem.

Each Thursday / Sunday devotion is self-contained and uses prayers, bible readings and reflections to enter into the meaning for us in our own day of Jesus' Way of the Cross.  
We pray for ourselves and for our world.

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 7pm All Saints Church Boyne Hill  
Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March 7pm All Saints Church Boyne Hill  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 7pm All Saints Church Boyne Hill  
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 7pm All Saints Church Boyne Hill  
SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> March 6 pm All Saints Church Boyne Hill

**For more info contact: [revjohnainslie@gmail.com](mailto:revjohnainslie@gmail.com)**



**Our Regular activities:**

**The 8.00 Holy Communion service** will continue to be monthly, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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. Next, 31<sup>st</sup> March. 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 16<sup>th</sup> March.

**Thursday Teas** meets in the community hall offering tea, cake and conversation. Second Thursdays monthly. Next is 9<sup>th</sup> March.

**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, 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays monthly. The next is February.

**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