



St. Luke's Church, Maidenhead

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Week commencing: 9th January 2022 The Baptism of Christ, Parish Communion

Our service this Sunday will be a Parish Communion service for the Baptism of Christ, both in church and on zoom, followed by the baptism of Arthur Smith at midday.

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 Epiphany order of service – on the app or the CofE website.

Thought for the week:

This is the time of year when the readings Sunday by Sunday jump about a bit. Jesus was born two weeks ago. Last week wise men visited 'the child' who was probably two (give the ages of the babies that Herod had killed). This week a thirty-year-old Jesus is baptised!

It is easy to forget that Jesus' baptism was as an adult at the start of his ministry – an affirmation of his divinity and sonship from God his Father and a sending out to do what he had been sent to do.

At the start of a new calendar year it is always good to stop and reflect on who we are, what we are – and whose we are. We may have already given up on our new year's resolutions – or not othered to make them as we know they won't last – but the good news is that at our baptisms we / our godparents promised to follow God, and God promised never to give up on each of us.

Whose are we? We are God's children.

What are we? Human being who need to give and receive love and to live in community.

Who are we? That is for us to explore in prayer and to allow God to mould us each into the person that he longs for us to be.



Readings for Morning Prayer for the week beginning Sunday 9th January 2022:

Sunday	Psalm 89.19-27	Acts 19.1-17	
Monday	Psalm 2	Genesis 1.1-19	Matthew 21.1-17
Tuesday	Psalm 9	Genesis 1.20-2.3	Matthew 21.18-32
Wednesday	Psalm 20	Genesis 2.4-end	Matthew 21.33-end
Thursday	Psalm 21	Genesis 3	Matthew 22.1-14
Friday	Psalm 67	Genesis 4.1-16, 25-26	Matthew 22.15-33
Saturday	Psalm 33	Genesis 6.1-10	Matthew 22.34-end

Prayer suggestions for this week:

- For a peaceful, happy and healthy new year.
- For our care for creation and sustainable living.
- For all children, especially those in need, and for the work of the Children's Society

- For Lauren and Jamie, married here recently, and for Arthur to be baptised today.
- For caution as Covid 19 infections remain high.
- Those whose anniversary of baptism falls in January: Otilie Beresford-Jones, Grace Mondal, Ryan Westbury, Ritchie Westbury, Jonas Lanyon, Sebastian Lanyon
- For all those who live and work in Ray Lea Road.
- The sick and their carers : Monica Olley, Tony Boaks, Howard Baxter, John Cox, Pamela Rivers, Julienne Grobler, Clarice, Eunice Moffett, Andy, Dorothy Nicks, Ann Hockham, Irene, Ann Darracott, Pat Brooks, Joy Richmond.
- Those who have died recently, and those who mourn them: David Jesson.
- Those whose anniversary of death falls in January: David Bateman, Len Lynch, Roy Smith, Peter Joyce, Mark Willard, Roger Martin, Clifford Collier, Alice Wellman, Dawn Crampin, Jacqueline Hayward, Ida Walters, Robert Newman, Beryl Jenkins, Robert Howe, Frank Joyce, Marjorie Hopkins, Andrew Drummond, Vivian Oliver, Ann Hancock, Charles Woodman, Julie Brazenor, Florence Hampton, Derek Jones, Eileen Gulrayani, Edward Hylton-Jones, Nora Searle, Michael Marriner, Jean Stemp, Christine Bowyer, Phyllis Boshier, Trevor Tilbury.

Rotas for next week: 16th January , Parish Communion, in church and on zoom

Read: Sally Somerville

Intercede: Shula Tajima

Welcomers: Jacqueline, Ben, Jeanette

Antibac: Jeanette

Our church is floodlit at night.

*This week the floodlighting has been sponsored by
Bridget Morris, 'for Nick'
and*

by Susan Wilson, 'in loving memory of Edwina Richardson on her birthday'.



What's on...

This week:

Friday 7 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 4.00 pm, Messy Church
Saturday 8 th	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom
Sunday 9 th	8.00 am, Holy Communion 10.00 am, Parish Communion, in church and on zoom Midday, Baptism of Arthur Smith
Tuesday 11 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 7.30 pm, PCC, on zoom
Wednesday 12 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 10.00 am Holy Communion, 10.30 am coffee
Thursday 13 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 9.30 am, Baby and Toddler group, in church 2.00 pm, Teas, in hall
Friday 14 th	8.30 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 5.00 pm, Evening Prayer, on zoom
Saturday 15 th	9.00 am, Morning Prayer, on zoom 9.30 am, Music Team meeting, on zoom
Sunday 16 th	10.00 am, Parish Communion, in church and on zoom 6.00 pm, Sundays at Six: led by ChoGs, on zoom

Christmas Tree Festival de-brief: we have a zoom meeting for anyone who wishes to attend on Thursday 13th January at 6.30 pm. Link here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86979301207?pwd=NVI5SW9qWHd3UERCQXVQOXErS2Nqdz09>

Meeting ID: 869 7930 1207

Passcode: 104482

If you have feedback but can't make it do email Revd. Sally before then. Thank you.

Postage stamps as you receive Christmas cards, don't forget to save your stamps and put them in the box for used stamps at the back of church.

Baby and Toddler group starts again on 13th January. We meet in church between 9.30 and 11 am on Thursdays. We are delighted, and very grateful, to have received a grant of £500 from the Baylis Trust which will be used for new ride on toys, books and other materials.

The Future of Quench. We have received the following email from the Quench team:

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for all your love and prayers and support since we emailed you regarding the future of Quench. A number of you responded with donations to the charity for which we are very grateful. When the trustees met last week, however, the projections still showed a significant loss in our current financial year. After looking at various options, the decision has been made that after 40 years of there being a Christian bookshop in Maidenhead, it is now time to close the Maidenhead shop. You will appreciate that this was a difficult decision to come to for all the trustees but particularly for Tony and Claire Bronnimann who have been the driving force behind the Maidenhead Christian bookshop since it started. However, it was suggested at our trustees meeting that we should see this as mission accomplished and not as a failure. The world has now changed and we need to recognise this reality.

The plan is to close Maidenhead on February 19th and have a closing down sale from January 17th – subject to any changes enforced by the government. We will still look to service our customers in the Maidenhead area through church bookstalls, and customers will be able to continue to place orders via admin@quenchshops.com for delivery, or collection from Wokingham. We hope to provide an incentive for you to visit our Wokingham store soon (more details to follow) which is situated in the beautiful Holme Grange Craft Village.

If you have ordered Bible Reading Notes from us for 2022, please be assured that you will still receive them

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 (or just come at 10.30 for coffee!).

Baby and Toddler group meets on Thursdays, 9.30 – 11.00 am. We meet in church. **Starts again 13th January.**

Messy Church continues on the first (usually) Friday, monthly, 4-5pm. The next is 7th January, then 4th February. 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 20th January.

Thursday Teas meets in the community hall offering tea, cake and conversation. Second Thursdays monthly. Next is 13th January.

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 27th January.

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:

2 nd January	Epiphany Carol Service, on zoom, led by St. Luke's
16 th January	Night Prayer with reflection, on zoom Led by the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green
30 th January	Evensong and Benediction, in church, at All Saints
6 th February	Night Prayer with reflection, on zoom, led by St. Luke's
20 th February	Iona Evening worship, on zoom Led by the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green
6 th March	Eucharist for St. David, in church, at All Saints
20 th March	Lenten Reflections, on zoom, led by St. Luke's
3 rd April	Stations of the Cross, in church at All Saints
10 th April	Taize service, in church, led by the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cox Green

Thanks to Jeanette Lock for this photo of the beautiful nativity under the altar at Burnham Abbey. Look carefully at the kings, two are facing the infant Jesus – but one is looking out to the world....



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

Sunday Morning Worship:

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

Meeting ID: 873 5819 7400

Passcode: 526076

To phone in on Sundays:

- Dial 0 131 460 1196
- It will say 'welcome to Zoom' and ask you for the meeting ID followed by #
- Type in 873 5819 7400 #
- Then it asks you for personal id/participant number but just press #
- Then it asks for password Type in 526076 #
- You are muted so nobody can hear you. You can unmute yourself by pressing *6 (star six)

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) **NEW LINK from 14th January**

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

Meeting ID: 886 7768 8468

Passcode: 132142

Sundays at Six: NEW link from 19th Sept.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83058792852?pwd=NWQ2dzJNRzZJRGdReiJUa0pQOTBJZz09>

Meeting ID: 830 5879 2852

Passcode: 936128

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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87016448043?pwd=WVJ4VlAzZVBIWTdmTOVjVGM1Q3k5UT09>

Meeting ID: 870 1644 8043

Passcode: 303678

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