

26th November 2017

Christ the King

**8.00am: Holy Communion
at Moulsham St. John's**

10.00am: 4th Sunday Service

Leader and Speaker: Richard Field

*Readings: Ephesians 1:15-23
Matthew 25:31-46*

Sidesman: Helen Field

Sound: Janette Tadman

Coffee: Mike and Janette Tadman

Duty Churchwarden: Richard Field

*Music by the Music Group
with Alan Arnot*

Update from PCC Meeting

The PCC met on 8th October. Key matters discussed included:

1) A core worship group is being set up to oversee all our services. The group will include: Revd Gemma, Mike Tadman, Bridget Jenkinson, Hilary Selwood. One area of focus will be new hymns/songs; if there are any that you would like introduced to any of our services, please speak to one of the group.

2) Life at St Luke's is getting busier with lots of exciting opportunities, some on a one-off basis (e.g. Crib Service) and some on-going (e.g. Welcome Leaflets and Noticeboards) - if you think you can get involved, please let us know. The PCC also agreed to fund some admin support for Revd Gemma for 6 months.

3) Promotion of Christmas Services will start soon. The Carol Service this year on 17th December will have a community focus and we plan to serve mulled wine and mince pies afterwards.

**Saturday Coffee
25th November 2017**

On duty: Brenda Hudson



If you have any items for the Newsletter (including requests for prayer) please contact Janette Tadman (01245-469124; e-mail janette-tadman@gmail.com)
Deadline: Wednesday evening.

Advance Notice:

Christmas Services and Giving

In addition to our usual Sunday services, please make a note in your diaries for the special services and events:

2 Dec. 3.30pm, Farleigh Hospice Light Up A Life

3 Dec. 10am Holy Communion

10 Dec. 10am Morning Worship

10 Dec. 4pm, MMU Service at St Mary's Widford - Holy Communion/Advent Reflections

17 Dec. 10am Holy Communion

17 Dec. 4pm, St Luke's Carol Service (giving focused on CRISIS) followed by mulled wine and mince pies

23 Dec. 4pm, St Luke's Crib Service (giving focused on Little Havens Hospice)

24 Dec. 10am 4th Sunday Service

24 Dec. 11.30pm Midnight Mass

25 Dec. 10am Holy Communion

31 Dec. No service at St. Luke's, details of services at other churches to follow.

28 January. 10am Christingle (giving focused on Children's Society).

Please note that gift aid envelopes for all our Christmas giving will be available through December.

Mid-week service:

**Wednesday 22nd November 2017
9.45am Service of Holy Communion**

*President and Preacher: Revd Gemma Fraser
Revelation 4 Maria Smith
Luke 19:11-28 Derek Tadman
Intercessions: Revd Gemma*

LIVING LIGHT

The Aumbry Light for November has been sponsored in memory of Neil Chambers



Contacts

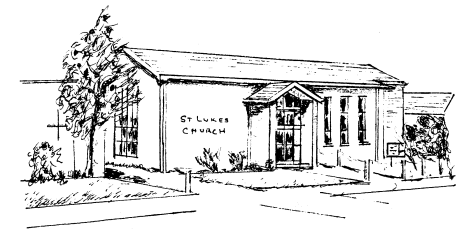
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Deputy Churchwarden:
Mike Tadman 07740 625454

St Luke's Weekly News

19th November 2017



Website: www.stlukemoulsham.co.uk

WELCOME to St Luke's. Please stay for refreshments and fellowship in the hall after the service. PLEASE TAKE THIS NEWSLETTER HOME WITH YOU

There will be a collection during the third hymn. If you are a taxpayer, please use a Gift Aid envelope, available from the sidesmen.

If however you give by Standing Order or are unable to give today, please just pass the basket on.

19th November 2017

2nd Sunday before Advent

**8.00am: Holy Communion
at Moulsham St. John's**

**10.00am: Service of
Holy Communion**

President and Preacher: Revd Gemma Fraser

Crucifer: Dave Thomas

Server: Hilary Selwood

Chalice: Maxine Buck

*Readings: Zephaniah 1:7,12-18 Dave Thomas
I Thessalonians 5:1-11 Richard Field
Matthew 25:14-30*

Intercessions: Richard Field

Sidesmen: Jane Chambers and volunteer

Sound: Helen Field

Coffee: Arthur Tadman and volunteer

Duty Churchwarden: Richard Field

Organist: Rita Roscoe

COLLECT

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:
grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen.

TO OUR VISITORS. Welcome to our service. The **hymn numbers** are displayed on the boards, and will also be announced. When we come to receive Holy Communion, please see the notes in our Order of Service, which are provided for your guidance. We like to mark **birthdays** by singing: "Happy Birthday to you: to Jesus be true. May God's richest blessing rest today upon you." If it is your birthday this week, please tell one of the ministers!

The ministry of Prayer with Laying-on-of-Hands for Healing is available every Sunday. If you would like this for yourself or another, please speak to one of the Ministers or Churchwardens.

The readings for Sunday are on a separate sheet.

Moulsham Lodge and Tile Kiln's "Posada" 2017

Sign up to host

This year Moulsham Lodge and Tile Kiln will have their very own travelling Holy family as we celebrate the Posada and we want you to join in!

Posada started in Mexico, it is the Spanish word for 'inn'. Two young people were chosen to dress up as Mary and Joseph. They travel from house to house in their village reminding people of Jesus who is coming and asking the householders if they would give them and Jesus room. On Christmas Eve the whole village comes together in the square to enact the story of Christmas.



Starting at the invitation event on the 25th November until Christmas, our Mary and Joseph figures will travel from one home to another and will be given room for the night.

The figures will come back to St Luke's at the crib service on Saturday 23rd December ready to celebrate with us. Along with the figures there will be a sheet of prayers to use at home and a candle to light. There will be a book to keep a diary of Mary and Joseph's time with you, there will even be a Facebook page where you can post and everyone can keep up with Mary and Joseph's adventures.

Posada is about community and care for each other. It is hoped that those who are bringing the figures to another person's home will be invited in at least for a few minutes chat, perhaps to have a cup of tea, Perhaps you could pass the Posada on to someone you don't know very well? We're hoping that some of the Moulsham Lodge shops will also get involved and host the Holy family.

Posada helps us think about the hope and promise of Advent and Christmas and to share God's message and promise of love given us in Jesus with others.

If you would like to host the Holy family for a night watch out for the sign up sheet in church or check out the special Posada Facebook page; search for "Moulsham Lodge and Tile Kiln Posada 2017."



PLEASE PRAY ESPECIALLY THIS WEEK



For: Win Jellicoe, Brian Roscoe, Joyce Stockwell, Joan Scrivener, Bob Wood, Margaret Judd, Tammy Thomas and June Page;

for those named on the prayer request board;

This week, we remember:
Marjorie Betts (20.11.2000)
Gladys Smiles (24.11.2003)
Margaret Lant (25.11.2010)

St. Luke's Christmas themed drop-in event

Saturday 25th November
11am-1pm

Please let Bridget know if you are able to help on the day and/or can provide some cake, mince pies etc.

St Luke's now has a **Facebook** page! If you are on Facebook search for St Luke's Church Moulsham Lodge and Tile Kiln. Please like and share the page and help us make this a way of reaching as many people as we can.



Roll Up. Roll Up - it's Rota time again!

In the very near future, Lucy will be pulling together the rota of sidespeople, coffee makers, sound operators, readers, chalice assistants, intercessors, crucifer bearers and altar servers for the period January - April. Please can you help her by providing your availability **in writing** (either pop a note into the churchwarden tray in the Sacristy or email to Lucy.bubb@btinternet.com) by 4th December.

If you would like to join a rota - there's always room - then please speak to Gemma or the Churchwardens for more info.

THIS WEEK:

The church is open every day for prayer.

Monday 20 November

Pray for medical doctors, surgeons and nurses

9.15am: Informal Morning Prayer at St. John's Vicarage using a collection of liturgy including Iona and Northumbria Community

Tuesday 21 November

Pray for Gloucester Avenue

9.15am: Morning Prayer at CHS Widford, joining with Widford and Galleywood

Wednesday 22 November

Pray for Roman Catholics

9.00am: Morning Prayer at St. Luke's using Common Worship liturgy

9.45am: Service of Holy Communion

1.15pm: Edward Bear Club

8pm: Deanery Celebration of Prayer and Praise

St. Mary's Church, Gt. Baddow

Thursday 23 November

Pray for Peace in Syria & The Middle East

No Morning Prayer today

Friday 24 November

Pray for the Scouts, Cubs and Beavers

Advent prayer sessions

During Advent Gemma will be running prayer and meditation sessions on **"Watching and Waiting"**.

If you would like to some space in all of the busyness of Christmas preparation to re-connect with God and with yourself then join us each Monday evening: 4th, 11th and 18th December at 7.30pm at St John's. The service will last about 45 minutes. For more information please talk to Gemma.