

14th January 2018

2nd Sunday of Epiphany

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

10.00 am: 2nd Sunday Morning Worship

Leader and Speaker: Mike Tadman

*Readings: 1 Samuel 3:1-20 Val Bliss
John 1:43-end*

Intercessions: Dave Thomas

Sidesman: Maxine Buck

Sound: Janette Tadman

Coffee: Volunteers

Duty Churchwarden: Lucy Bubb

Organist: tbc

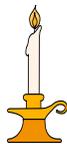
**4.30pm: Choral Evensong
at
St. Michael's, Galleywood
4pm for 4.30pm**

Return of the Posada

Our Posada (the knitted Mary, Joseph and flock of sheep) returned to St Luke's during the Crib Service on 23rd December. By all accounts they had a superb time, meeting all sorts of people including some that have never been inside St Luke's. Why not read for yourselves in the diary that was kept during their travels? The diary can be found at the back of Church and will be available to read during January.

LIVING LIGHT

The Aumbry Light for January has been sponsored in memory of Colin Marshall



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.

January services at St. Luke's

10th January

9.45am Holy Communion
Led by Revd Gemma

14th January

10.00am: Morning Worship
led by Mike Tadman

21st January

10.00am: Holy Communion
led by Revd Stephanie

28th January

10.00am: Christingle Service



led by
Revd Gemma and Lucy

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Service at St. Michael's

On the 14th January there will be an MMU service of Choral Evensong at St Michael's, Galleywood, 4pm for 4.30pm. Anyone who would like to be involved in the choir please speak to Lucy for rehearsal details.

R.I.P †

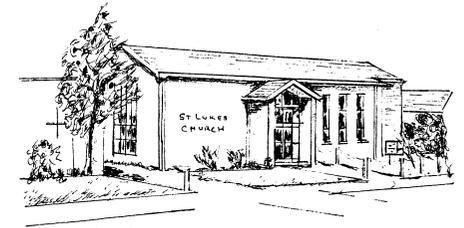
Over Christmas we heard the sad news that Graham Hunter, husband of Rosemary, who used to be a Churchwarden at St Luke's died in December. The funeral is at All Saints Church at East Hanningfield on 12th January at 1.00pm.

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St Luke's Weekly News

7th January 2018



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.

Sunday 7th January 2018

Epiphany

8.00am: Service of Holy Communion
at Moulsham, St. John's

10.00am: Service of Holy Communion

President and Preacher: Revd Gemma Fraser

Crucifer: Hilary Selwood

Server: Janette Tadman

Chalice: Hilary Selwood

Readings:

Isaiah 60:1-6 Elaine Law

Ephesians 3:1-12 Dave Chambers

Matthew 2:1-12

Intercessions: Richard Field

*Sidesmen: Louise Whitehead and Catherine
Gravelle*

Sound: Helen Field

Coffee: Janette and Mike Tadman

Duty Churchwarden: Richard Field

Organist: Philippa Penkett

COLLECT

O God,
who by the leading of a star
manifested your only Son to the peoples of
the earth:
mercifully grant that we,
who know you now by faith,
may at last behold your glory face to face;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God,
the bright splendour whom the nations seek:
may we who with the wise men have been
drawn by your light
discern the glory of your presence in your
Son,
the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.
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.

READINGS:

Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. ²For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. ³Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. ⁴Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. ⁵Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. ⁶A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Ephesians 3:1-12

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— ²for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, ⁴a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. ⁵In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: ⁶that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

⁷Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. ⁸Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, ⁹and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; ¹⁰so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. ¹¹This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹²in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Matthew 2:1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, ²asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' ³When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. ⁵They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: ⁶ "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."'

⁷Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. ⁸Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' ⁹When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. ¹¹On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹²And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

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:
Eileen Joan Cook (13.01.2015)

Rota Appeal

One or two volunteers are needed to help with **Saturday morning coffee**. At present only three people are on the rota and it would be great if we could spread the load a bit further. This is an enjoyable and important part of St Luke's life - sustaining a variety of people doing jobs around the Church each Saturday as well as welcoming visitors.

We need one or two people to join the **Sound Team** - this is not a particularly technical role and full training is given.

Traditionally St Luke's has been open each weekday, with opening and closing undertaken by Revd Carol. Since Carol left we have relied on a small team of people to do this duty, something which has worked well. However, due to changes in the team we need a new volunteer to **open the Church each Tuesday morning**, starting as soon as possible.

Please see Lucy, Richard or Mike if you think you could help with any of the above.

Donation to St. Luke's

A very generous donation of £5,000 has been received from Anne and Peter Haselhurst. Anne trained as a lay reader with St Luke's between 1973 and 1984 before leaving and becoming a minister.

THIS WEEK:

The church is open every day for prayer.

Monday 8 January

Pray for the mentally ill and Mental Health Workers

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

Tuesday 9 January

Pray for Linnet Drive

Wednesday 10 January

Pray for Christians in Muslim countries

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

9.45am: Service of Holy Communion

President: Revd Gemma Fraser

1.15pm: Edward Bear Club

Thursday 11 January

Pray for Peace in Syria & The Middle East

9.15am: Morning Prayer at St. John's using Common Worship Liturgy

Friday 12 January

Pray for Scouts, Cubs and Beavers

Saturday 13 January

Pray for Arbutus close

The next PCC is on 10th January. If there is anything that you would like the PCC to consider, please let Lucy, Richard or Helen know.

Saturday Coffee 13th January 2018

On duty: Louise Whitehead

