Sunday 28th January 2018

Candlemas

8.00am: Holy Communion at St. John's

10.00am: Christingle Service

Led by Revd Gemma Fraser and Lucy Bubb



Reading: Matthew 5:13-20 Chris Fawcett Intercessions: Louise Whitehead Sidesman: Louise Whitehead and Helen Field

Sound: Mike Tadman

Coffee: Mary Marshall and Maxine Buck Counters: Helen Field and Mike Tadman Duty Churchwarden: Richard Field

Organist: Michael Davis

LIVING LIGHT

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



Facebook

Do you use Facebook - or have family and friends who use Facebook? If so, have you and they 'liked' our St Luke's Facebook page? Since launching our page, 53 people have 'liked' our page and are getting daily updates about things that are happening at St Luke's, including the weekly newsletter can you help us spread the news about what we're doing? Just search for St Luke's Church Moulsham Lodge and Tile Kiln on Facebook and click the 'like' button!

We have also started streaming parts of our services live on Facebook, so even if you can't get to Church you'll be able to see and hear what's going on - isn't that amazing!

PCC News

The PCC met on Wednesday evening. The key points of discussion included:

- 1) We reviewed the Christmas services, which were largely well received although there are lessons to learn for the future.
- 2) We agreed that focused giving during Lent will be in support of CHESS, the homeless service in Chelmsford.
- 3) We agreed that Sue Davies will replace Richard Field as one of our Lynchpins liaising across SW Chelmsford MMU.
- 4) We discussed our responsibilities under, and the impact of, the new General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), which come into place in May 2018.

If you have any items for the Newsletter (including requests for prayer) please contact Janette Tadman (01245-469124; e-mail janettetadman@gmail.com)

Deadline: Wednesday evening.

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St Luke's Weekly News

21st 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.

21st January 2018

3rd Sunday of Epiphany

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

10.00am: Service of **Holy Communion**

President and Preacher: Revd Stephanie Gillingham

Crucifer: Dave Thomas Server: Hilary Selwood Chalice: Dave Thomas

Readings: Genesis 14:17-20 Anna Wood Revelation 19:6-10 Dave Thomas

John 2:1-11 Intercessions: Lucy Bubb

Sidesmen: Helen Field and Hilary Few

Sound: Richard Field

Coffee: Dave and Iane Chambers Counters: Richard Field and Hilary Few

Duty Churchwarden: Lucy Bubb

COLLECT

Almighty God. whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace,

and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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

Almighty Father,

whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world:

may your people,

illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen.

Organist: Gillian Ward-Russell

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:

Genesis 14:17-20

¹⁷ After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). 18 And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. 19He blessed him and said.

'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth;

²⁰ and blessed be God Most High,

who has delivered your enemies into your hand!'

And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

Revelation 19:6-10

⁶Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunder-peals, crying out,

'Halleluiah!

For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.

⁷ Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory,

for the marriage of the Lamb has come,

and his bride has made herself ready;

⁸ to her it has been granted to be clothed with fine linen, bright and pure'-

for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

⁹ And the angel said to me, 'Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.' And he said to me, 'These are true words of God.' 10 Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, 'You must not do that! I am a fellow-servant with you and your comrades who hold the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.'

John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of lesus was there. 2 Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. 3 When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' ⁴And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' 5His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' 6Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the lewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. 8He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom 10 and said to him, Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Ilesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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: Dorothy le Riche (25.01.1995) Lewis John Stone (26.01.1996) Sheila Field (27.01.2013)

Wednesday Communion - A Note from Gemma

I have been working with the PCC to look at our worship pattern and in particular the Midweek Communion Service. Numbers have been low for a period of time. In response to this we have made a decision to change the pattern of services for a trial period of 6 months.

There will be one Midweek Communion Service a month on the first Wednesday at 9.45 am. The service will be a Communion but will also include a short discussion on a Bible passage or theme and we will have teal coffee together afterwards. The service will retain its quiet and meditative approach. We will review this pattern in the summer but we are hoping the smaller commitment of a monthly service, alongside the opportunity to explore faith and fellowship together (still taking under an hour) will encourage more people to join us at this service.

In February there will be an additional service on Ash Wednesday (14th). This will be a joint MMU service which Gemma and Stephanie will be leading.

There will be no Saturday Coffee on 27th January

This is due to both halls being used for ballet exams.



The church is open every day for prayer.

THIS WEEK:

Monday 22 January

Pray for Ambulance Crews and Paramedics

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

> Tuesday 23 January Pray for Magnolia Close

Wednesday 24 January

Pray for the Church Army

9.15am: Morning Prayer at St. Luke's using Common Worship liturgy

1.15pm: Edward Bear Club

Thursday 25 January

Pray for Peace in Syria & The Middle East

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

> Friday 26 January Pray for the schools in our parish

> > Saturday 27 January Pray for May Walk

Return of the Posada

Our Posada (the knitted Mary, Joseph and flock of sheep) returned to St Luke's during the Crib Service in 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 lanuary.