

4th March 2018

3rd Sunday of Lent

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: Janette Tadman
Chalice: Dave Thomas
Readings: Exodus 20:1-17 Catherine Gravelle
I Corinthians 1:18-25 Chris Fawcett
John 2:13-22
Intercessions: Dave Thomas
Sidesmen: Catherine Gravelle and Sue Davis
Sound: Mike Tadman
Coffee: Dave and Jane Chambers
Counters: Dave Thomas and Lucy Bubb
Duty Churchwarden: Mike Tadman

Organist: Michael Davis

South West Chelmsford Churches Trip to Ely Saturday 9th June 2018

The coach trip will cost £12 – which includes a tip for the driver. Come and bring a friend. There will be various tour options and walks to add to the enjoyment of your day and a service in Ely Cathedral to finish off the day. See the poster for details of the tour options. **There is now a sign up sheet and Dawn Thomas is collecting the money for this trip.** Details of a trip to the Bradwell festival on 7th July will follow once known.

LIVING LIGHT

The Aumbry Light for February has been sponsored in memory of George Cresswell Bell



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.

Lent 2018

Lent Giving - the money we give during our Lent appeal will support CHES this year. CHES provide temporary housing to people who find themselves homeless. This starts with the Night Shelter but then, when people are ready, they move in to satellite houses before getting back into in their own accommodation. CHES provide the support services people need to get back on their feet; help with money, work and relationships, referral to addiction and therapy services. The Night Shelter has just moved in to their new building in New London Road, the new shelter has two extra rooms. CHES also run a Winter Shelter during the coldest months offering 10 extra beds to those in need. CHES is a dry house and people have to commit to being drug and alcohol free in order to get a placement. There are some people who aren't ready for that step but that doesn't preclude them from getting support. Rough sleepers are offered daily hot meals and drinks, access to showers, new clothes and all of the support services. CHES really do transform lives, please do give as generously as you can (Gift Aid envelopes are now available) and keep them in your prayers.

For more information about CHES you can visit their website: www.chesshomeless.org
Lent Groups - this year we will be joining with Churches Together in Moulsham Lodge and Tile Kiln for our Lent Groups. We will be using one of the York courses, written by Bishop John Pritchard, called "On the Third Day".

Weds at 2pm, at Holy Name
Thurs at 8pm, at Tile Kiln Church.

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St Luke's Weekly News

25th February 2018



Website: www.stlukemoulsham.co.uk
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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 25th February 2018

2nd Sunday of Lent

8.00am: Holy Communion at St. John's

10.00am: 4th Sunday Service

Leader and Speaker: Dave Thomas

Reading: Mark 8:31-end
Intercessions: Revd Bridget Jenkinson
Sidesman: Helen Field
Sound: Richard Field
Coffee: Mary Marshall and Maxine Buck
Counters: Hilary Few and Janette Tadman
Duty Churchwarden: Richard Field

Organist: John Kingham

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;
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
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 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.**

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:

Romans 4:13-end (not being read at Sunday morning service)

¹³ For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶ For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations', according to what was said, 'So numerous shall your descendants be.' ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.'²³Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him', were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 (not being read at Sunday morning service)

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, 'I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ²And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.' ³Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴'As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.'

¹⁵ God said to Abraham, 'As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.'

Mark 8:31-end

³¹ Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

³⁴ He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

PLEASE PRAY ESPECIALLY THIS WEEK



For: Win Jellicoe, Brian Roscoe, Joyce Stockwell, Joan Scrivener, Bob Wood, Margaret Judd, June Page and Tammy Thomas - Dave and Sharon thank you for your prayers, Tammy is slowly improving and can now walk unaided but still no news on what is causing the problem - please continue to keep her in your prayers;

for those named on the prayer request board;

This week, we remember:
Marion Harris (01.03.2011)
Jim Jellicoe (02.03.1988)
Malcolm Wade (02.03.2015)

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

The GDPR is a new piece of legislation which comes into effect on 25th May 2018 and is designed to strengthen the existing law on data protection. From that date, we have to ensure that we only use your data for the purpose it was provided originally and not for another unrelated purpose without your prior consent. To make sure we comply with the new requirements, we will soon be providing you with a consent form so that you can decide how St Luke's uses your personal information in the future. The PCC has agreed a Data Privacy Policy which provides more information and a copy has been put on the noticeboard. For further information, please speak to Mike Tadman who is leading on the implementation of GDPR on behalf of the PCC.

Saturday 23rd June 2018

We are planning a combined Parish Quiet Day with St John's on Saturday 23rd June so please save the date. More information will be available soon.

Saturday Coffee 3rd March 2018

On duty: Louise Whitehead



THIS WEEK:

The church is open every day for prayer.

Monday 26 February

Pray for victims of violence

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

Tuesday 27 February

Pray for Palm Close

Wednesday 28 February

Pray for Methodists

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

1.15pm: Edward Bear Club

2pm: Lent Group at Church of our Holy Name

Thursday 1 March

Pray for Peace in Syria & The Middle East

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

8pm: Lent Group at Tile Kiln Church

Friday 2 March

Pray for the Scouts, Cubs and Beavers

Saturday 3 March

Pray for Plover Walk

Women's World Day of Prayer

Friday 2nd March, 10.30am
at Moulsham Lodge Methodist Church

The theme this year is
'All God's Creation is Very Good'
and the service has been written by the women of Suriname in South America
Based on Genesis 1 it highlights the role we all play in looking after this amazing world.
All are welcome - no tickets required, just turn up.