

13th January 2019

## 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

8.00am: Holy Communion at St. John's

### 10.00 am: 2nd Sunday Morning Worship

Leader and Speaker: Richard Field

Reading: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Intercessions: Dave Thomas

Sidesman: Louise Whitehead

Sound: Helen Field

Coffee: Volunteers

Counters: Dave Thomas and Helen Field

Duty Churchwarden: Mike Tadman

Organist: John Kingham

### 4.00pm: MMU Evening Service

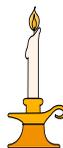
#### 'Praise and Worship'

#### At Church of the Holy Spirit

Refreshments at 4pm, Service at 4.30pm

### LIVING LIGHT

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



### Church Flowers and Living Light

If you would like to make a donation for flowers in Church or sponsor the Aumbry Light, perhaps in memory of a loved one, please speak to Mary Hoare (for flowers), Mary Marshall (for Aumbry) or one of the churchwardens.

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.

### A prayer for changing times

Please use this prayer as part of your personal prayers each day as we discern God's plan for us here at St Luke's.

**Lord, you are our helper, our rock, our salvation.**

**You are with us when we face challenge and opportunity.**

**As we enter this time of discernment, help us to feel your presence with us and to trust in you.**

**We know that you have plans for us; plans to prosper and not to harm, plans to give us hope and a future.**

**Guide us Lord, show us the path you have set before us,**

**give us wise and discerning hearts that long for your Kingdom here on earth.  
Amen**

### Special dates for your diary....

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, will be taking Evensong at Chelmsford Cathedral at 3.30pm on Sunday 13th January. All are welcome.

The Bishop of Bradwell, John Perumbalath, will be presiding and preaching at our Service of Holy Communion here in St. Luke's at 10am on Sunday 20th January.

Our Christingle Service is at 10.00am on Sunday 27th January



### Contacts

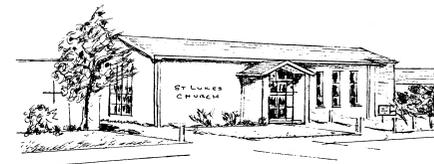
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**Deputy Churchwarden:**  
Mike Tadman 07740 625454

## St Luke's Weekly News

6th January 2019



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Facebook: [www.facebook.com/Stlukesmoulshamlodge](https://www.facebook.com/Stlukesmoulshamlodge)

### **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 6th January

#### Epiphany

8.00am: Holy Communion at St. John's

#### 10.00am: Service of Holy Communion

President and Preacher: Revd Jo Jones

Crucifer: Mike Tadman

Server: Janette Tadman

Chalice: Helen Field & Louise Whitehead

Readings: Isaiah 60:1-6 Helen Field

Ephesians 3:1-12 Elaine Law

Matthew 2:1-12

Intercessions: Richard Field

Sidesmen: Dawn Thomas & Maxine Buck

Sound: Sue Davies

Coffee: Jane and Dave Chambers

Counters: Helen Field and Mike Tadman

Duty Churchwarden: Richard Field

Organist: Michael Davis

### 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.<sup>2</sup>For the darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.<sup>3</sup>Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.<sup>4</sup>Lift 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.<sup>5</sup>Then 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.<sup>6</sup>A 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—<sup>2</sup>for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you,<sup>3</sup>and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words,<sup>4</sup>a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ.<sup>5</sup>In 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:<sup>6</sup>that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.<sup>7</sup>Of 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.<sup>8</sup>Although 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,<sup>9</sup>and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things;<sup>10</sup>so 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.<sup>11</sup>This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord,<sup>12</sup>in 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,<sup>2</sup>asking, '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.'<sup>3</sup>When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him;<sup>4</sup>and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born.<sup>5</sup>They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judah; for so it has been written by the prophet:<sup>6</sup> "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."'<sup>7</sup> Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared.<sup>8</sup>Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying,

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## PLEASE PRAY ESPECIALLY THIS WEEK



For: Brian, Joan, Bob, Margaret, June, Tammy, Kath, Emma, Basil, Greta and George;

for those named on the prayer request board;

This week, we remember:  
Alex Bliss (30.12.1996)  
Glenda Collins (30.12.2011)  
Rev'd Henry Hughes (02..01.2001)  
Ron Smiles (05.01.2013)



Thursday 10th January 2019  
in the Small Hall: 1.30-3.30 p.m.  
Please phone for an  
appointment: 01245 423333

There is a **£17.50** charge for this service

## Saturday Coffee

### 5th January

On duty: Brenda Hudson

**Join us for coffee and fellowship**



## THIS WEEK:

Due to work being carried out, the church may be inaccessible for some of this week.

### Monday 7 January

Pray for  
Chelmsford Fairtrade Action Group

### Tuesday 8 January

Pray for Lilac Close

### Wednesday 9 January

Pray for the United Reformed Church

No Edward Bear Club

### Thursday 10 January

Pray for Peace in Syria and  
The Middle East

1.30pm: Age Uk Toenail Cutting

### Friday 11 January

Pray for the schools in our parish

### Saturday 12 January

Pray for Yew Tree Gardens

11.00am: Saturday Coffee

<sup>9</sup>'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.' When 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.<sup>10</sup>When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy.<sup>11</sup>On 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.<sup>12</sup>And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.