

## Sunday 6th December

### 2nd Sunday of Advent

#### 10am: Holy Communion

*President: Rev Gemma Fraser*

**Crucifer** Helen Field

**Readings** Louise Whitehead

Isaiah 40:1-11

2 Peter 3:8-15a

Mark 1:1-8

**Intercessions** Revd Gemma

**Sides** Maxine Buck, Louise Whitehead

**Sound** David Millward

**Mevo Camera** Sue Davies

**Duty Warden** Sue Davies

#### 4pm: Traditional 9 Lessons and Carol Service (online)

#### Morning Prayer

Weds at St. Luke's, Thur at St. John's

Mon, Tues & Fri online all at 9.15am

## Collect

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever.

**Amen**

## Post Communion Prayer

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## Sunday 13th December

### 3rd Sunday of Advent

8am: Holy Communion at St. John's

### 10am Second Sunday Service

*Leader: Revd Suzanne McAllister*

**Intercessions:** Revd Suzanne

**Readings** Dave Chambers

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-end

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

John 1:6-8, 19-28

**Sidesmen** Hilary Few, Jane Chambers

**Sound** Dave Thomas

**Mevo Camera** David Millward

**Duty Churchwarden** David Millward

## A Prayer for Moving Forward.

We are not people of fear:  
we are people of courage.

We are not people who protect  
our own safety:

we are people who protect our  
neighbours' safety.

We are not people of greed:  
we are people of generosity.

We are your people God,  
giving and loving,  
wherever we are,  
whatever it costs

For as long as it takes  
wherever you call us.

**Amen.**

## Please Pray This Week

For Brian, Joan, Bob, Anna, Tammy,  
Doug, Greta, Carmen, Revd John,  
Nicky & Alina and Laura.

For those named on the prayer board

This week we remember:

Nonny Siseman (07.12.2005)

Adrian Pudney (08.12.1994)

Audrey Dunmall (10.12.2013)

Kath Bell (11.12.2019)

May Wade (12.12.1990)

## Daily Hope

Daily Hope offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line. The line - available 24 hrs a day on **0800 804 8044** - has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind.

## Contacts

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## Newsletter Content

If you have any items for the Newsletter (including requests for prayer) please contact Janette Tadman 01245 469124 Email janettetadman@gmail.com **Deadline** Wednesday evening

## Giving at Christmas

During December we will be supporting Crisis, the national charity for homeless people. Did you know that £28.22 not only covers a Christmas dinner but will also help fund year-round support including training and education so that people experiencing homelessness are given the chance to leave homelessness behind for good. Donations can be made by giving envelopes (in church) or online (link is available on the St Luke's website too): <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/StLukesMoulsham>

**Regular Giving** Please do support St Luke's using one of the options below:

- Regular giving by standing order - for more information contact Dave Chambers at [simplydave@aol.com](mailto:simplydave@aol.com)
- Online giving (one-off donations) accessed via the St Luke's website homepage

We know that Christmas is going to be a little different this time around. The theme of Comfort and Joy holds together the hope that Christmas will bring joy and celebration after a uniquely difficult year with an acknowledgement that Jesus also offers consolation to those for whom joy may feel a long way away.



We will continue to worship as a gathered community in church (government restrictions allowing) and online.

### Advent Meditations Monday evenings: 7.30pm on Zoom

30<sup>th</sup> Nov, 7<sup>th</sup> Dec, 14<sup>th</sup> Dec, 21<sup>st</sup> Dec Zoom  
Please ask Gemma for details.

### Christmas Special Services

6 <sup>th</sup> December 4.00pm	Traditional 9 Lessons and Carol Service	Online
19 <sup>th</sup> December 2.00pm	Acoustic Carol Concert	St Luke's
20 <sup>th</sup> December 4.00pm	Informal Carols and Christmas songs	Online
24 <sup>th</sup> December 4.00pm	Crib Service with a twist!	St Luke's
24 <sup>th</sup> December 11.30 pm	Midnight Mass	St Luke's
25 <sup>th</sup> December 10.00am	Christmas Day Holy Communion	St Luke's
27 <sup>th</sup> December 10.00am	Joint Service for St John's Patronal Festival	St John's

### Booking information for special services

Acoustic Carol Concert - email [moulshamchurches@gmail.com](mailto:moulshamchurches@gmail.com) to book your ticket.

Crib Service - please book your place on Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/st-lukes-moulsham-crib-service-tickets-131225899197>

### Moulsham Support Service

Volunteers from St Luke's, St John's, Tile Kiln Church, and MLCT have joined together to provide assistance with shopping, collection of essential medication, spiritual/emotional support and signposting to services.

If you or anyone you know in Moulsham, Moulsham Lodge or Tile Kiln needs support and can't get help from family or neighbours, contact: 07517 715393 or email [moulshamchurches@gmail.com](mailto:moulshamchurches@gmail.com).

### Leaflets - Can you help?

As in previous years we have ordered Christmas flyers to go out to as many people in Moulsham Lodge and Tile Kiln as possible. Can you help us deliver please? You can sign up for a few houses or several roads. If you can help please speak to Gemma, Sue or David, many thanks!

### Doodling The Word

Interested in a creative approach to studying the Bible, and have access to Facebook? Then check out the Facebook group "Doodling The Word" and become part of a growing community and safe space to share encouraging scriptures and your bible journaling pages. The group is led by Deacon Ramona Samuel from Moulsham Lodge Methodist Church. For more information, ask Lucy.

### Advent Calendar 2020

Our first living Advent Calendar windows opened this week and there have been some fantastic creations so far with lots of people engaging with the photos on Facebook and going to see the windows in person! The photos can be seen on the homepage of our St Luke's website so do have a look if you're not able to go out at the moment - they really do support the message of comfort and joy after such a difficult year. The dates and addresses are shown below, with windows "opening" at around 5pm each day.

#### Week 1

1st 58 Longstomps Avenue  
2nd 9 Maple Drive  
3rd 60 Heath Drive  
4th 4 Magnolia Close  
5th 14 Magnolia Close  
6th 165 Linnet Drive  
7th 124 Linnet Drive

#### Week 2

8th 324 Linnet Drive  
9th 199 Linnet Drive  
10th 209 Linnet Drive and 45 Osprey Way  
11th 23 Goshawk Drive  
12th Moulsham Lodge Methodist Church  
(Lime Walk/Lilac Close)  
13th Moulsham Lodge Community Trust  
(99 Gloucester Avenue)  
14th 16 Poplar Close

#### Week 3

15th 5 Larch Grove  
16th 8 Whitethorn Gardens  
17th 26 Linden Close  
18th 278 Gloucester Avenue  
19th 1 Waltham Glen  
20th 3 Amcotes Place  
21st 184 and 121 Gloucester Avenue

#### Week 4

22nd 113 Gloucester Avenue  
23rd 26 Lewis Drive  
24th St. Luke's Church Gloucester Avenue

