

Sunday 29th January

4th Sunday of Epiphany

Presentation of Christ
in the Temple/Candlemas

10am: Christingle Service
Lucy Bubb

Sides: Sue, Pat

Sound: Helen

Reading: Helen

Music: Music Group

Duty Warden: Helen

Refreshments: Elena, Maxine

4pm for 4.30pm, MMU Praise and
Worship at St Michael's, Galleywood

Living Light- January

The Aumbry Light for January
has been sponsored in
memory of:

Freda Ford



Please Pray

For Brian, Joan, Anna, Greta, Sheila,
Nicky, Amelia, Val, Audrey and
Mary



We remember:

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

Saturday Coffee 11am-12noon

Saturday 28 January - Sue



Church will be closed afterwards

Edward Bear Baby and

Toddler Group

Wednesdays 1.15-2.30pm

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Newsletter Content If you have any items for the Newsletter (including requests for prayer) contact Janette Tadman - janettetadman@gmail.com or 07749 298639



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WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 22nd January 2023

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Sunday 22nd January

3rd Sunday of Epiphany

10am: Holy Communion
Revd Suzanne McAllister

Sides: Helen, Maxine

Mevo: Richard

Sound: Dave T

Reading: Helen

Music: Rita

Duty Warden: David

Refreshments: Pat, Richard

Followed by refreshments

**The chalice will be offered during
Communion; please do not intinct
your wafer.**

**This service will be live-streamed
on our Facebook page and
available on our website**

Collect

God of all mercy,
your Son proclaimed the good news
to the poor,
release to the captives, and freedom
to the oppressed:
anoint us with your Holy Spirit and
set all your people free to praise you
in Christ 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.**

Birthdays: "Happy Birthday to you: to Jesus be true.
May God's richest blessing rest today upon you."

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

- Regular giving through the Parish Giving Scheme - see noticeboard for information
- One-off online donations accessed via the St Luke's website homepage
- Contactless card reader available at the back of church

1Corinthians 1:10-18

¹⁰ Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹ For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹² What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ.' ¹³ Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴ I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵ so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶ (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷ For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. ¹⁸ For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Matthew 4:12-23

¹² Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³ He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴ so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵ 'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— ¹⁶ the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.' ¹⁷ From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' ¹⁸ As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' ²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹ As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²² Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. ²³ Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (18-25 Jan)

In the coming Week of Prayer for Christian Unity all Christians must remember the words of Jesus: "A new command I give you: "Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." (John 13:34-35).

PCC Key Messages

The key messages from the PCC meeting on Wednesday 18 January:

- Approval was given to proceed with replacing the kitchen flat roof and fascias, improving the car park wall, creating a disabled car parking space and a ramp to the church entrance, all to be completed July-August 2023.
- We approved a 2023 deficit budget. We have told the diocese that we will be unable to pay our Parish Share in full.
- We would like to hear your suggestions for our Lent charity giving.

If you have any questions, please speak to any PCC member. All previous minutes and papers are available to read on the PCC noticeboard.

Chalice Assistants

Now that we have returned to sharing the Chalice we want to re-introduce chalice assistants to help with distribution. Would you be willing to undertake this important role? To be a chalice assistant, you need to be a regular communicant and to be physically able to do the task. Each person needs to be approved by PCC, having completed a confidential declaration and provided a non-church reference in line with Church of England safer recruitment practice. If you are interested, please talk to Lucy, and provide the completed paperwork (available at the back of church) by 8 February.

Safeguarding

The PCC is committed to doing their best to protect vulnerable people from harm. Did you know that there are 6 principles of Safeguarding? They are: **Empowerment** – People being supported and encouraged to make their own decisions and informed consent; **Prevention** – It is better to take action before harm occurs; **Proportionality** – The least intrusive response to the risk presented; **Protection** – Support and representation for those in greatest need; **Partnership** – Local solutions through services working with their communities. Communities have a part to play in preventing, detecting and reporting abuse and neglect; **Accountability** – Accountability and transparency in safeguarding practice.

Prayer for our future

God of our plans and futures, guide us as we dwell in this time of uncertainty. Help us to work together, to love, grow and serve each other; and to share the responsibility of being your light in our community. We turn to your love, comfort and peace as we journey onwards in our faith, becoming the people you desire us to be. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. **Amen.**