

Sunday 24th March

Palm Sunday

10am: Holy Communion

Rev Stephanie Gillingham

Duty Warden/Sound: Sue

Chalice: Lucy

Reader: Maxine

Music: David

Sides: Helen and Maxine

Refreshments: Brenda

Saturday Coffee

11am - 12 noon

23rd March - Sue

Church is closed after coffee



Living Light

The Aumbry Light in March has been sponsored in memory of

James (Jim) Hoare



Please Pray

For Sally, Joan, Anna, Greta, Sheila, Nicky, Amelia, Val, Audrey, Mary, Catherine, Revd Suzanne, Arthur, Dave C, Rita and Brian.

We remember:

Amy Cutler (18.03.2000)

Parish Roads:

We also pray this month for those living and working in:

Magnolia Close, Mallard Road,
Maple Drive, May Walk,
Moss Walk

Chelmsford Prayers

As part of the prayer cycle, Christians across Chelmsford are praying for us here at St Luke's - isn't that wonderful!

Edward Bear Baby and Toddler Group

Wednesdays 1.15-2.30pm during term-time

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Newsletter Content

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WEEKLY NEWS

Sunday 17th March 2024

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Sunday 17th March

5th Sunday of Lent

10am: Morning Worship

Unless.....

Richard Field

Duty Warden/Sound: Helen

Music: David

Sides: Pat and Maxine

Refreshments: Brenda

Collect

Gracious Father,
you gave up your Son out of love for the world:

lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Weekday Prayers

Tuesdays at 2pm

Disabled access and toilets available

Pray for Palestine and Israel

O God of all justice and peace, we cry out to you in the midst of the pain and trauma of violence and fear which prevails in the Holy Land.

Be with those who need you in these days of suffering;

we pray for people of all faiths - Jews, Muslims and Christians and for all people of the land.

While we pray to you, O Lord, for an end to violence and the establishment of peace, we also call to you to bring justice and equity to the peoples.

Guide us into your kingdom where all people are treated with dignity and honour as your children - for to all of us you are our Heavenly Father.

In Jesus' name we pray.

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

Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹'The days are coming,' declares the LORD, 'when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,' declares the LORD.

³³'This is the covenant that I will make with the people of Israel after that time,' declares the LORD. 'I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. ³⁴No longer will they teach their neighbour, or say to one another, "Know the LORD," because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,' declares the LORD. 'For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.'

John 12:20-33

²⁰Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the festival. ²¹They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. 'Sir,' they said, 'we would like to see Jesus.' ²²Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus. ²³Jesus replied, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Very truly I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. ²⁵Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life.

²⁶Whoever serves me must follow me: and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honour the one who serves me. ²⁷'Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? "Father, save me from this hour"? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name!' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and will glorify it again.' ²⁹The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him. ³⁰Jesus said, 'This voice was for your benefit, not mine. ³¹Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' ³³He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.

Pleshey Retreat House

This year the Retreat House is launching a new incarnation of the Friends scheme - Retreat House, Pleshey Partners – with the aim of drawing interest from new supporters in the community. Becoming a Pleshey Partner will offer people a chance to become further a part of the community at the Retreat House with exclusive events and a range of benefits. Pleshey Partners will be launched at the Friends Quiet Day on Saturday, 16 March (9:30am to 4pm). To book your place at the Friends Quiet Day, or to find out more about Pleshey Partners, visit www.retreathousepleshey.com.

Holy Week Services

Palm Sunday 24 March: 10am - Holy Communion

Monday 25 March: 7pm - Holy Week Reflection led by Revd Stephanie

Tuesday 26 March: 2pm - Holy Week Prayers with Reflection led by Revd Stephanie

Wednesday 27 March: 7pm - Lent Course final session

Maundy Thursday 28 March: 9.45am - Morning Prayer at St John's
7.30pm - Eucharist at St Mary's
7pm - Agape Meal and Communion followed by vigil at St John's

Good Friday 29 March: Walk of Witness to be in the High Street by 11am

Easter Day

Sunday 31 March: 5.45am Dawn Service at St Michael's followed by pastries
10am Holy Communion at St Luke's led by Revd Roger Matthews followed by an Easter egg hunt

Don't forget the clocks change in the early hours of Sunday 31 March!

Easter Lilies

If you would like to sponsor an Easter lily in memory of a loved one, please sign up with the name of your loved one on the sheet on the noticeboard at the back of church by Wednesday 27 March. The cost is £5. Please give your donation to Lucy or the Duty Warden.



Lent Course

Our Lent Course continues this week on Wednesday at 7pm based on Nick Fawcett's Spot the Difference book as we consider what difference being a Christian makes to our life and what difference should it make?

Bishop's Lent Appeal

Raising funds to support the Diocese of Jerusalem's Healthcare Ministry. Donations can be made online www.chelmsford.anglican.org/lent-appeal or by bank transfer, using the following details:
Chelmsford Diocese Board of Finance
Sort Code: 20-20-35; Account Number: 60269603
Reference: Lent Appeal 24