

# ST LUKE'S CHURCH. MONTHLY MATTERS.



St Luke's Church  
Dates and News  
March 2026

## Services in March

Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup>	10.30am	Holy Communion
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Midweek Communion
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	8.45am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Morning Worship
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Midweek Communion
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	8.45am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	All Together Café Service – <b>Mothers' Sunday</b>
	7.00pm	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Midweek Communion
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	8.45am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Morning Worship
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Midweek Communion
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Worship Block – <b>Palm Sunday</b>

## Little Fishes Mondays, 10-11:30am

Our Toddler Group runs weekly at St Luke's with space and activities for babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers.

£2 per child

## Lunch Matters 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>

A homemade 2-course meal with an activity.

£5 suggested donation

11.30am – 2pm in the **St Peter's Room**

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## Craft Matters & Hearing Clinic 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>

Bring along your craft, and some lunch.

11.30am – 2pm in the **St Peter's Room**

## Vicar's Message

Easter is fast approaching and as a church we have a number of things planned which we'd love for you to be a part of us we reflect together on Jesus' death, and celebrate His resurrection.

More details about each event will be published soon.

### Sun 29<sup>th</sup> March, 10:30am – Palm Sunday

*We hope to have a short drama during our service to begin our Easter story.*

### Mon 30<sup>th</sup> March to Thu 2<sup>nd</sup> April – Prayer Trail in Church

*We will have a number of prayer stations set up in the church to enable you to pray through the story of Easter.*

### Wed 1<sup>st</sup> April – Midweek Communion Service

*In our service we will reflect on the Easter story and make use of the prayer trail.*

### Thu 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 7-9pm – Maundy Thursday Supper

*Join us for a meal of spiced lamb and flat breads as we reflect on Jesus' last meal before He died. Booking essential:*

<https://stlukesreigate.churchsuite.com/events/drqkw4vv>

### Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> April – Good Friday

**10:30am** All Together Café Style service *with Easter drama and crafts.*

**2-3pm** An Hour at the Cross: *Reflective service*

### Sun 5<sup>th</sup> April, Easter Sunday

**8:45am** Communion Service

**9:45am** Breakfast rolls *served between our services*

**10:30am** All Together Celebration Service: *with Easter Drama, Holy Communion and Baptisms*

## Aneal

## Men's Meal: Monday 8<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm The Beehive Pub

Join with other men from our church community for a local meal and a time of hanging out together.

Please register your interest through this link:

<https://stlukesreigate.churchsuite.com/events/ms7vndus>

## Holy Communion Service 8.45-9.30am

It's been wonderful to gather as a small group on Sunday mornings for our simple service of Holy Communion each Sunday morning except the first Sunday of the month (when we usually have Holy Communion during our 10:30am service).

The service incorporates a song (without accompaniment) and moves through a set liturgy of prayers, scripture readings and responses. There is a short talk and we conclude our service by taking communion together.

The liturgy (order of words) varies between a modern and a traditional set of words from the Book of Common Prayer (which the Church of England has been using for over 400 years).

Why not come along to the Communion Service for a time to meet with God if you are serving in some way during our main service?



To guide you in your prayers this month: **For persecuted Christians.**

1. **Sunday: St Davids Day** – Pray for revival for the people, and the beautiful country, of Wales.
2. **Mon: Pray for** Little Fishes volunteers and guests - to know God's presence and love with them.
3. **Tues: Pray for** Christians in North Korea; the most dangerous country in the world to worship Jesus.
4. **Weds: Pray for** God to protect praying Christians, or anyone possessing a Bible, from the death penalty.
5. **Thurs: Pray for** Gods smugglers - risking their lives taking food, Bibles and God's love, into North Korea.
6. **Fri: Pray for** wisdom for North Korean parents - on when to share the gospel with their children; **Street Pastors**
7. **Sat: Pray for** Aneal and family and for all who preach and teach God's Word.
8. **Sunday: Matt 5:38-48 Give thanks for** God grace in forgiving us, to help us to forgive others.
9. **Mon: Pray for Open the Book** school visits and **SparkFish** performing **The Easter Story**.
10. **Tues: Pray for** the local shops in our area; for safety and for custom.
11. **Weds: Pray for** Midweek Holy Communion, Craft Matters and Hearing Aid Clinic.
12. **Thurs: Pray for** Christians in Somalia - a 'high value target' for those wishing to wipe them out.
13. **Fri:** In Somalia, church life is non-existent and danger for Christians is increasing, even from family members.
14. **Sat: Pray for** our Treasurer, church wardens, welcomers and hospitality teams.
15. **Sunday: Matt 6:9-13 – Mothering Sunday: Pray for** the joys and sorrows of motherhood.
16. **Mon Pray for** volunteers at Renewed Hope - providing a drop-in and support to our local community.
17. **Tues: Pray for** all with Down's Syndrome, who receive assistance in the new Centre in our parish.
18. **Wed Pray for** all who cook, serve and share together at Lunch Matters.
19. **Thurs: Pray for** Eritrean Christians in prison, without charge, in shocking conditions - some over 10 years.
20. **Fri: Pray for** God to change the hearts of the authoritarian government against Eritrean Christians.
21. **Sat: Pray for** all who work with our sound, visuals and YouTube for Sunday Worship.
22. **Sunday: Matt 6:5-15 -** Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
23. **Mon: Pray for** the residents of your allocated road or choose a parish road to pray for.
24. **Tues: Pray for** our Local Member of Parliament, **Rebecca Paul** - for wisdom.
25. **Weds: Pray for** Christians in Yemen - a dangerous, strongly tribal Islamic country.
26. **Thurs: Pray against** banishment, honour killings, kidnap of children of Christians when discovered.
27. **Fri: Pray for** all who clean our church, wash the linen and order our supplies; **Street Pastors**
28. **Sat: Pray for** wisdom for our Prime Minister, government and parliament in these troubled times.
29. **Palm Sunday: Hosannah to the Son of David. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**
30. **Mon: Pray** we can make time to walk with our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, through this Holy Week.
31. **Tues: Pray for** Jesus to reveal his love to us more deeply as we spend more time in His presence.

**For those who are sick & suffering:** Sarah H's grandson, Joey.

**Grieving:** Raper family; McHansen family; Gillett family; Cattanach family; Hill family; Maris family; Wright family; Turner family; Wetherall family

**We pray for the following members of our church family:** Nikki B, Sara B & family, Hannah & Casey B and family, Liz & Barney B, Chris & Sarah B and family, Simon C, John C, Barry C, Angela D, Washington & Surriyafarhad D, Loic D, Caroline D & family, Mark & Eleanor D and family, Chris E, Lorna E, Laurie F, Mandie F and Judy F.

### December dates for your diary.....

Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	10.00am	Little Fishes
Weds 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	12.00pm	Craft Matters with <b>Hearing Clinic</b>
<b>Sat 7<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>9:30am-12pm</b>	<b>Maintenance Morning</b>
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10.00am	Little Fishes
Weds 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	11.30am	Lunch Matters
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10.00am	Little Fishes
	<b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Men's Meal</b>
Weds 18 <sup>th</sup> Mar	12.00pm	Craft Matters with <b>Hearing Clinic</b>
Weds 23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	10.00am	Little Fishes
Weds 25 <sup>th</sup> Mar	11.30am	Lunch Matters
<b>Sun 29<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>		<b>Clocks go forward</b>
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10.00am	Little Fishes
<b>April</b>		
Weds 1 <sup>st</sup> Apr	12.00pm	Craft Matters with <b>Hearing Clinic</b>

### Zoom Prayer Meetings

**Monday 9am (No evening prayer Mon 2<sup>nd</sup>)**

**Wednesday 7:15am**

**Friday 8am**

on Zoom Meeting ID: 849 7205 6375  
Passcode: 268102

*For any questions or Prayer request, contact Annie (07906 944562), Nige (07504 084975)*

### 3rd Sunday – 15<sup>th</sup> March

Third Sunday is a service where we seek **intimacy** and an **encounter** with our living God in more creative and open ways than we can on a Sunday morning. We meet from 7-8pm for a time of extended sung worship and prayer as we expectantly wait to hear what God is saying to us.

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