

ST LUKE'S CHURCH. MONTHLY MATTERS.



St Luke's Church Dates and News February 2026

Services in February

Sunday 1 st	10.30am	Holy Communion
Wednesday 4 th	10.30am	Midweek Communion
Sunday 8 th	8.45am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Morning Worship
Wednesday 11 th	10.30am	Midweek Communion
Sunday 15 th	8.45am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	All Together Service
	7.00pm	3 rd Sunday
Wednesday 18 th	10.30am	Midweek Communion
		Ash Wednesday Service
Sunday 22 nd	8.45am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Worship Block
Wednesday 25 th	10.30am	Midweek Communion

Vicar's Message

One thing that struck me when I joined St Luke's was that we had 4 places of primary education and at least 3 nurseries in our parish. Added to this is the fact that 20% of those who live in our parish are under 14 years of age, and 37% of the homes are occupied by families with dependant children.

As I have been giving time over the last few years to pray about why God has placed St Luke's Church where He has, it seems clear to me that part of why **we are here is to reach school aged children with the good news of God's love** shown in His Son Jesus.

In the last few weeks God has been moving ahead of me, answering prayers and blessing conversations. As a result there are **some big things I'd like to share with you...**

Firstly, I would like to start a **weekly bible club in church** during term time. The team is coming together for this but I could still do with 2 or 3 people. **If you could be available** from 3-5pm on a Tuesday afternoon at least once a fortnight I'd love to hear from you. This would be to serve refreshments and to help set up and clear down.

Secondly, I would like to start a **bible club in Sandcross School** itself. Could you help with this for 90 minutes once a week in term time from 3-4:30pm?

Thirdly we have been approached by SparkFish to help **facilitate the Christian Union at Reigate School**. Could you give an hour a week to disciple the youth in our area?

All of this is super exciting and is beyond what I am able to do on my own – but God is opening doors, so pray for workers of the harvest, and then wonder if you could be the answer to these prayers.

Aneal

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 11th & 25th

A homemade 2-course meal with an activity.
£5 suggested donation

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

----- Craft Matters & Hearing Clinic 4th & 18th

Bring along your craft, and some lunch.
11.30am – 2pm in the **St Peter's Room**

Winter Night Shelter 2025/26

Winter Night Shelter has been up and running since the middle of December. St Luke's has been one of the venues since the annexe was built 10 years ago. We will be hosting for the last 5 weeks of the shelter (Jan/Feb) so if anyone is interested in volunteering, please visit renewedhope.org.uk and follow the link for Winter Night Shelter, where you can register as a volunteer. You will need to attend a training session which is scheduled for mid-January.

Any questions, speak to Pearl or Simon Smith who joint Venue Co-ordinators for our church.

Holy Communion Service 8.45-9.30am

Join us for a simple and traditional 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).

PRAYER MATTERS.



To guide you in your prayers this month – Praying for the Emergency Services.

Royal National Lifeboat Institution

1. **Sunday:** We pray for all who preach at St Luke's and everywhere to be Bible based.
2. **Mon:** We give thanks for the RNLI and their work to keep people safe at sea.
3. **Tues:** Give thanks for all who give their time and skills for those in peril on the sea.
4. **Weds:** Pray for the safety of all who make their living on the sea.
5. **Thurs:** Pray for wisdom and safety of all involved in water sports.
6. **Fri:** Pray for people smugglers to be apprehended and safety for those they traffic; **Street Pastors**
7. **Sat:** Pray for fund raising to enable the RNLI to have the equipment they need.

The Police

8. **Sunday:** Pray for all who lead our worship week by week.
9. **Mon:** Pray for safety on our roads and for Road traffic police who aim to enable this.
10. **Tues:** Pray for sensitivity for police involved with physical and sexual abuse crime.
11. **Weds:** Pray for people with the skills to work against cybercrime.
12. **Thurs:** Pray for protection for officers involved in violent crime, with deadly weapons.
13. **Fri:** Pray for animals involved in sniffing out drugs and apprehending dangerous criminals.
14. **Sat:** Pray for funding to enable the Police Force to keep people as safe as possible.

The Fire Service

15. **Sunday:** Pray for all involved with the sound system, the cameras and the screens on Sundays.
16. **Mon:** Pray for all who rescue people caught up in fire in their homes.
17. **Tues:** Pray for people whose lives have been permanently changed by fire experiences.
18. **Weds:** *Ash Wednesday* - marking the beginning of Lent. A Christian time of penitence and prayer.
19. **Thurs:** Pray for all involved in rescuing people from car and sporting accidents.
20. **Fri:** Pray for experts involved in determining the source of fires and in fire prevention.
21. **Sat:** Pray for all involved in arson attacks or, using fire as a weapon, to be caught.

Paramedics

22. **Sunday:** Pray for all who teach and help with children's groups and pray for more helpers.
23. **Mon:** Pray for all First Responders and Air Ambulance operators.
24. **Tues:** Pray for safety for all Ambulance Staff, their equipment and the vehicles.
25. **Weds:** Pray for wisdom, emotional strength and care for Call Handlers.
26. **Thurs:** Pray against time wasters and others preventing those in need access to help.
27. **Fri:** Pray for all who volunteer their time and service to the ministry at St Luke's; **Street Pastors**
28. **Sat:** Pray that we would all make more time to draw closer to God during this time of Lent.

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: Kelly T-P & family, Chris & Vicky W, Gina & Hamish W, Perry W, David & Jude W, James W, Jacquie W, Alex Y & family, Aneal & Sabrina A & family, Linz & Jenny B & family.

December dates for your diary.....

Mon 2 nd Feb	10.00am	Little Fishes
Weds 4 th Feb	12.00pm	Craft Matters with Hearing Clinic
Mon 9 th Feb	10.00am	Little Fishes
Weds 11 th Feb	11.30am	Lunch Matters
Mon 16 th Feb	10.00am	Little Fishes
Weds 18 th Feb	12.00pm	Craft Matters with Hearing Clinic
Mon 23 rd Feb	10.00am	Little Fishes
Weds 25 th Feb	11.30am	Lunch Matters
Mon 2 nd Mar	10.00am	Little Fishes
Weds 4 th Mar	12.00pm	Craft Matters with Hearing Clinic
Mon 9 th Mar	10.00am	Little Fishes
Weds 11 th Mar	11.30am	Lunch Matters
Mon 16 th Mar	10.00am	Little Fishes
Weds 18 th Mar	12.00pm	Craft Matters with Hearing Clinic

Zoom Prayer Meetings

Monday 9am (& 8pm on 1st Monday)

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 – 15th February

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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