ST LUKE'S CHURCH. MONTHLY MATTERS.



St Luke's Church Dates and News September 2025

Services in September			
Wednesday 3 rd	10.30am	Midweek Communion	
Sunday 7 th	10.30am	Holy Communion	
		followed by Church BBQ	
Wednesday 10 th	10.30am	Midweek Communion	
Sunday 14 th	10.30am	Morning Worship	
Wednesday 17 th	10.30am	Midweek Communion	
Sunday 21 st	10.30am	All Together Service	
	7.00pm	3 rd Sunday	
Wednesday 24 th	10.30am	Midweek Communion	
Sunday 28 th	10.30am	Worship Block	

Vicar's Message

In **September we head back to the book of Genesis** picking up where we left off last year starting with the tower of Babel in Genesis 14. This six part series will conclude with the death of Sarah from Genesis 23. Catch up on the last series, or our Summer Psalms on our website:

www.stlukesreigate.org.uk/churchlife/sermons

A passion of mine since coming to St Luke's was to put some thought into how we **make our church services more accessible to people with neurodiverse needs** like autism,

ADHD and dyslexia. This led to the creation of our "Church for Everyone" team who have provided wonderful resources over the last few years including fidget bags, a visual service timeline and sensory seat pads. I'm excited to announce that **Anne Sears and Laura Tamms** have agreed to take on the oversight of this initiative and to continue their good work. Please join me in praying for and supporting them. If you have ideas or suggestions please share them Anne and Laura. I share this news at the same time that I am undergoing a diagnosis process for ADHD, to help me better understand myself and how I interact with and process the world around me.

In other news, on **Sunday 21st September the Run Reigate** event returns to our streets. This will mean that some of the roads around the church will be closed off for parts of the morning. **Vehicle crossings can be made along Cockshot Hill** between 8 and 8:45am and between 9:45 and 10am, with the road being opened from 10am.

More info here: https://www.runseries.co.uk/run-reigate

Finally, Jane Aiano, whose mum Jenny Rawlinson was a member of our church family, is organising a **quiz to raise funds for St Catherine's Hospice**. The event will be held at St John's Community Hall on **Saturday 27**th **September**, 7:30-10:30pm. Come as a team of 8 or join with others. Tickets are £13 each and includes a chilli dinner. Let me know if you are interested and I'll share with you Jane's details.

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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.

There are toys, ride-ons, games, crafts and messy play for the children with refreshments provided (for adults too).

£2 per child

Lunch Matters 10th & 24th

A homemade 2-course meal with an activity. £5 suggested donation
11.30am – 2pm in the **St Peter's Room**

Craft Matters & Hearing Clinic 3rd

Bring along your craft, and some lunch.

Church Family BBQ

On **Sunday 7th September**, there will be a Church Family BBQ following our morning service with sausages and burgers on offer.

Bring along something to have as a side and a drink. Gluten free and vegetarian options available.

Sign up here:

https://stlukesreigate.churchsuite.com/event s/juozb4bh

Men's Meal: Monday 8th, 7:30pm

Join men from our church for a local meal.

Please register your interest through this link: https://stlukesreigate.churchsuite.com/event s/zq5ms6tl

St Luke's Handbells

We are excited to announce that we'll be starting a new Handbell Group with the hope of performing carols at one of our Christmas events.

For more info or to join speak with Shirley: Shirley.harnett@stlukesreigate.org.uk

Or visit our website:

https://www.stlukesreigate.org.uk/post/handb

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PRAYER MATTERS



Week 1: Sunday: Pray for our Sermon Series in Genesis - for God's word to speak into our lives.

- 1. Mon: Pray for Parliament starting back after summer recess, for God's wisdom and guidance.
- 2. Tues: Pray for Toddlers starting at nursery and Preschool and the leaders.
- 3. Weds: Pray for children starting at Primary or Secondary schools and Staff- For Service and Craft Matters.
- 4. Thurs: Pray for young people starting at College, University and Apprenticeships- those leaving home.
- 5. Fri: Pray for youngsters needing to retake exams and those looking for work.
- 6. Sat: **Pray for** school staff to make wise decisions regarding phones and for knife crime to stop.

Week 2: Sunday: Pray that we come together with hearts ready to bring our worship and to receive God's word.

- 8. Mon: Pray for the Road in the Parish allocated for your prayers, if you don't have one, choose one.
- 9. Tues: Pray for Open the Book and SparkFish as they start taking the Gospel into schools again.
- 10. **Weds**: Pray for Renewed Hope with their daily drop in and lunches at Shrewsbury Chapel and the ongoing planning for Winter Night Shelter. **Pray for** Lunch Matters at Church **pray about** who you can invite.
- 11. **Thurs**: Pray for our music group meeting to plan and prepare worship music for Sunday.
- 12. Fri: Pray for our local Street Pastors and all throughout the world ministering the love of Jesus on the streets.
- 13: Sat: If you are able, visit 'your road in the Parish'- maybe chat to someone about Jesus and St Luke's.

Week 3: Sunday: Pray for God's Spirit to be drawing new people to join in Sunday worship and meet the Lord Jesus.

- 15. Mon: Pray for negotiations between Russia and Ukraine to bring peace and for no more lives to be lost.
- 16. Tues: Pray for all who go to bed in fear of bombs and drones as they sleep.
- 17. Weds: Pray for peace in the Middle East, Sudan and the Congo for enemies to become family and friends.
- 18. Thurs: Pray for God's Spirit to turn hearts of stone into hearts of flesh, and weapons to be laid down.
- 19. Fri: Pray for food, medicine and aid workers to be able to reach those in need, safely.
- 20. **Sat**: **Pray for** the 40-year celebration of Broadlands Orchard and Mike Fox's vision for a property for retreats, church groups, Holiday Clubs etc where many have met with Jesus and Christian Ministries have been born.

Week 4: **Sunday**: **Pray for** the 1,000 of runners - including some of our own church family - who have trained and are taking part in **Run Reigate**, in aid of charities. **Pray for** our 3rd Sunday Evening Worship

- 22. **Mon**: **Pray for** Little Fishes' parents & children for an awareness of Christ's presence in St Luke's and in the helpers.
- 23. Tues: Pray that we will notice, welcome and encourage newcomers, which for some, is a new environment.
- 24. Weds: Ask God who He wants you to invite to Lunch Matters today.
- 25. Thurs: Pray for all who suffer persecution and whose lives are in danger because of their faith in Jesus.
- 26. Fri: Pray for newcomers to Brooklands and Reigate Valley Schools
- 27. Sat: Ask God to help us to notice and care for those, within our church and neighbours, who are lonely.
- 28 Sun: Pray for children & leaders to settle into Church Groups, enjoying their times together with Jesus.
- 29 Mon: Pray for those who travel long distances for their work for safety and energy.
- 30 Tues: Give thanks and pray for all who serve us at St Luke's for Aneal as he leads.

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

Grieving: Gillett family; Turner family; Macklin family; Wright family; Greig family; Maris family; Cattanach family; Hill family

We pray for the following members of our church family: Chris H, Jean H, Mike & Penny H, Sarah H, Chris & Liana H & family, David & Chris I, Jacqui & Alex J & family, Sarayi J, Maggi J, Dan & Deana O, Norma L, Jojo L.

Future dates for your diary		
Mon 1st Sept	10.00am	Little Fishes
Weds 3 rd Sept	12.00pm	Craft Matters with Hearing Clinic
Fri 5 th Sept	10.30pm-2am	Street Pastors (please pray)
Sun 7 th Sept	12 noon	Church Family BBQ after service
Mon 8th Sept	10.00am	Little Fishes
	7:30pm	Men's Meal
Weds 10 th Sept	11.30am	Lunch Matters
Mon 15 th Sept	10.00am	Little Fishes
Weds 17 th Sept	12.00pm	NO Craft Matters + Hearing Clinic
Mon 22 nd Sept	10.00am	Little Fishes
Weds 24th Sept	11.30am	Lunch Matters
Fri 26 th Sept	10.30pm-2am	Street Pastors (please pray)
Mon 29th Sept	10.00am	Little Fishes
Weds 1st Oct	12.00pm	Craft Matters with Hearing Clinic

Zoom Prayer Meetings Monday 9am (& 8pm on 1st Monday) Wednesday 7:30am 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 - 21st September

Third Sunday is a service where we seek intimacy and an encounter with our living God in more creative and open ways then 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.