



Living and Sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ

SUNDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2024

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

'You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden.' (Matthew 5:14)

Sunday 3rd November	10.00am	Pre-Service Prayers in the Side Chapel
	10.30am	All Age Service in Church and on Zoom
	Theme:	All saints, all shining as lights in the world
	Readings:	Romans 16:3-16, 1 Corinthians 12:12-20
	Leader:	Anna Counsell
	Preacher:	Stuart Cocksedge
	3.00pm	Memorial Service

SERVICES AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 4 th	9.30am	Prayer Meeting in Side Chapel
Wednesday 6 th	9.30am	Holy Communion in Church
Thursday 7 th	9.15am	Prayer Meeting in Side Chapel
	10.00am	St Luke's Toddlers in Church
Friday 8 th	3.30pm	Fab Friday in Church Rooms (until 4.45pm) – Reception to Year 6
	7.30pm	Youth Club in Church Hall (until 9pm) – Years 7 to 13
Saturday 9 th	9.30am	Prayer Meeting in Side Chapel
Sunday 10 th	10.00am	Pre-service Prayers in Side Chapel
	10.30am	Morning Worship with children's groups, in Church and on Zoom

Dear St Luke's family,

It was great to welcome lots of people from our local community to our Light Trail event on Thursday evening. We had an interactive trail of activities focusing on Jesus being the light of the world. At a time when there is so much darkness and scariness around, it is so important for us to share that Jesus is the light of the world and whoever follows him will not be in darkness (John 8:12).

This Sunday we will continue with the theme of light, as we join together for our all age service on All Saints' Day and think about what it means to all be saints, as part of God's family.

God bless, Anna

PRAYERS

Special Prayer for All Saints' Sunday: God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please:

- Pray for the Holy Land and the Middle East, for de-escalation of the conflict and the protection of the vulnerable.
- Pray for all those affected by the recent tragedy in Swanage.
- Pray for God's healing, strength and comfort for those who are unwell including Jane Diggle, Margaret Holst, Wendy Lockwood, George Palmer, Geraldine Rodrigues, Virginia Stacey, Claire Storey's sister Gina, Sara Turnbull's mother Alix and Lorna Warburton.

This week we are praying for the Cables *"...yet not I, but through Christ in me."* (Galatians 2:20)

Give thanks for the Lord's overshadowing of Kevin and Jen Cable through ongoing dangerous times. Please pray safety for them as they go out to their community with the ever present threat of terrorist attacks on the street and the constant bombardment of rockets. Praise God that Jen was able to spend some precious time with her family in the UK. As Kevin and Jen now travel to the USA for three weeks of preaching and teaching, pray that through this, much needed funds will be raised in order to resource their ministry in Israel: making Jesus known, bringing the Gospel of reconciliation and hope, along with serving and building relationships within their community.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 3 rd November 3pm	St Luke's Annual Memorial Service
Wednesday 6 th November 7pm	Talk on Paphos to Canterbury Cycle Ride by Geoff Sherwood
Sunday 10 th November 10.30am	Remembrance Sunday Service
Saturday 16 th November 7pm	Tearfund Big Quiz Night
Sunday 1 st December 10.30am	Christingle All Age Service

NOTICES

St Luke's Memorial Service

A reminder that our annual memorial service - a quiet, reflective service to remember loved ones who have died, will be held on Sunday 3rd November at 3pm. Refreshments served afterwards. All are welcome.

Poole-Wau Partnership Prayer Meeting

Monday 4th November at 12.30pm in the Parish Lounge at St Dunstan's Church, Upton. All welcome to join to pray for our friends in South Sudan and for our partnership with them. Arrive from 12.15pm. Tea and coffee provided; bring your own packed lunch if you would like to - plenty of car-parking available in front of the church.

Talk on Paphos to Canterbury Cycle Ride – Wednesday 6th November at 7pm in church

Geoff Sherwood will be giving a talk about his experiences cycling, with his son William, 3500 miles from Cyprus to the UK, following a route in the footsteps of St Paul through Turkey, Greece and Italy to Rome, and then of Archbishop Sigeric "the Serious" from Rome back to Canterbury. There will be a break, during which refreshments will be served.

Tearfund Big Quiz Night – Saturday 16th November at 7pm in church

Join us for a fun and very worthwhile evening to raise money for our mission partner Tearfund! Get together a quiz team, bring your friends, or come by yourself and we'll make sure you can join a team. Refreshments will be served.

Operation Christmas Child

We are collecting shoe boxes filled with gifts for children again this year. Thank you for the 70 we were able to send from St Luke's last year. Ready-made boxes are available at church for a £1 donation. If you would like to give towards the contents of a box, Julie Murphy is happy to make one on your behalf. All boxes should be returned by Sunday 10th November. Please ensure to only put in the gifts suggested on the leaflet. Thank you in anticipation.

Christmas Toy appeal

There are people in our local communities who won't have much to unwrap on Christmas morning. We are partnering with SMILE, a community project run by Faithworks, supporting lone parent families. At Christmas they give gifts to families they support, and as a church we'd like to help provide some gifts. On Sunday 1st December at our Christingle service, we'd like to encourage you to bring in a toy or a monetary gift.

Winter Clothing Project

As the colder weather commences, Liz Howes is re-starting the Winter Clothing Project for the homeless in Parkstone supported by the United Reformed Church. Donations of men's clothing, socks, hats, gloves, jumpers etc would be very appreciated. Please place any items in the plastic box at the back of church for collection. Many thanks.

Christmas Biscuits

Families First will be donating boxes of biscuits and children's booklets for Christmas to the Domestic Abuse Refuge again this year. If you would like to donate £1 or so towards the cost, we would be very grateful. Please give donations (of any amount) to Virginia Stacey or Anne Roberts. Thank you.

Bournemouth William Temple Association

The next meeting is on Monday 4th November at the Marsham Court Hotel, Bournemouth, at 7.40pm (optional dinner beforehand at 6.30pm). The speaker is Dr Chris Sinkinson, Retired Lecturer in Old Testament, Moorlands College, former archaeologist and author of "Time Travel to the Old Testament". His talk is entitled "Traces of the Temple: New Discoveries From the Holy Land". Further information from John Newbold on 01202 761749.

Choir for Carols by Candlelight

Rehearsals start on Friday 22nd November, 6.30pm until 7.15pm in the Church Rooms. Come along if you would like to be in the choir. The Carols by Candlelight service takes place on Sunday 22nd December at 6.30pm.

Joseph and his Technicolour Dreamcoat

Children's rehearsals are on **Sundays** in the **Church Rooms** following the **Sunday morning service**. The show will be performed **7th – 9th March 2025**. Further details from Claire Storey at clairestorey0204@gmail.com or 01202 733669.

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Week commencing 4th November – Cover in the office:

Monday 9.30am – 4.30pm, Wednesday 10.30am – 4.30pm & Friday 12.30pm – 4.30pm.

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