

SUNDAY 7th NOVEMBER 2021 – 3RD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

10.30 am **All Age Service** - Church and Zoom

Theme: "COP26"

Leading: Maureen Honeyman and Becky Hebditch Readings: Psalms 24 and Colossians 1:15-20

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81070235778?pwd=TWxDcXpGSjQ4REVGNHlrRjRkU3Vpdz09>

Zoom Meeting ID:810 7023 5778 Password: 187264. To phone in, ring 0203 4815237 and use same info

5.00 pm **Holy Communion** – Prayer Book - in Church Rooms

Forthcoming weekday events

Tuesday 9 th	morning	Families First (Mothers Union) trip to garden centre
Wednesday 10 th	9.30 am	Morning Worship - Zoom only
	11.30 am	Hall Team meeting in Hall
	5.00 pm	Prayer Half-Hour by Zoom (usual Zoom link)
Thursday 11 th	10.00 am	Parents and Toddlers in Church
Friday 12 th	2.00 pm	Thanksgiving Service for John Watnaby
	6.30 pm	Christmas Choir practice - Church
	7.30 pm	Youth Club in Hall (until 9pm) – year 6 and up
Sunday 14 th	10.30am	Morning Worship - Remembrance Sunday - in church and on Zoom
	3.30 pm	Confirmation Group – in the Vicarage
	5.00 pm	Evening Prayer – Zoom only

The church is usually open for private prayer during the day.

 **Please pray for Open Doors – Pray for Christian children persecuted for their faith**

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 19:14

Millions of children around the world face violence, discrimination or bereavement. Why? Because they or their parents are Christians. Please pray for children and young people to be protected and supported to stay strong in their faith and love for Jesus. Pray for the work of Open Doors as they bring love and resources to the next generation of the church, through Christian education, trauma care and schooling.

Chris' Retirement

"After much thought and prayer, Maggie and I believe the time is right for us to retire from St Luke's. Our last Sunday will be 13th February 2022. Thank you for your love, support and prayer at this time. We look forward to sharing the next months with you. With love and blessing, Chris."

Ladies Christmas Christmas Evening

We are delighted to be holding our Ladies Christmas Craft Evening on Wednesday 1st December at 7pm in the Church. Join us for mulled wine, mince pies and fun making eco-friendly Christmas Crackers. Booking is essential. Please book on the booking sheet at the back of church, or speak to Louise Samways for further information. £10 a ticket.

Reverse Advent Calendar for the Poole Foodbank

Our Reverse Advent Calendar is a way for us to give and share with those less fortunate than ourselves, providing food and treats to individuals and families living in poverty in Poole. Please pick up an Advent Calendar at the back of church or from the office – you are welcome to take several to give to families and friends. These donations are distributed by the Poole Food Bank. Please start collecting or bringing items to church from Sunday 14th November until Sunday 12th December enabling delivery before Christmas. For more information please speak to Linda or Roger Jones. Every item will make a difference.

Prayer Letter from the Pains

Please find copies at the back of church of the latest prayer letter from Chris and Kesia Pain.

Christmas Biscuits for Domestic Abuse Refuge

Families First (Mothers Union) are providing boxes of Christmas biscuits for the Domestic Abuse Refuge again this year. If anyone would like to donate towards this please contact Virginia Stacey or any Committee member of Mothers Union. Thank you.

Poppy Appeal

The Knit and Natter Group at Pennant House are supporting the Royal British Legion with their Poppy Appeal. All poppies are handmade and available to buy now from Pennant House (2 Spur Hill Avenue BH14 9PG). Call in anytime between 9am and 6pm to choose your unique design and make a donation.

A morning with James Lawrence on Leading the Church into Evangelism

A reminder the Salisbury Diocesan Evangelical Fellowship are hosting a morning with James Lawrence on Leading the Church into Evangelism. The event is taking place at St John's Church Wimborne BH21 1AE, 9.45 am to 1.00 pm on Monday 8th November 2021. Please see leaflets at the back of church if you are interested in attending.

Poole-Wau Newsletter

Please find copies at the back of church of the latest newsletter from Poole-Wau.

Christian Aid

As COP26 begins in Glasgow, Christian Aid are calling for us all to add our voices to the calls for change. Get involved by clicking on the 'Take action during COP26' link on the Christian Aid homepage or make a prayer boat and add it to their campaign fleet - visit caid.org.uk/rise for further details.

Parkstone Flower Arrangers

Parkstone Flower Arrangers now meet in the Church Rooms, our next meeting is Thursday 18th November 18th at 1.45 pm. Please email rosemary.attwell@gmail.com or ring 07943150163 for more details.

PRAYERS

Special Prayer for 3rd Sunday before Advent: Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the king of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one god, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayers for forthcoming COP26

- Pray for COP26 to get the world on track for safer global heating levels of 1.5c.
- Pray that big polluting economies will be ambitious in their commitments and actions and prioritise justice and equity.
- Lift up people from low income countries who are in Glasgow and pray that they have a huge influence.
- Pray for their experience and knowledge to be heard loud and clear and result in a safer future for poor communities.
- Ask for COP26 to result in increased finances and technology for countries most impacted.
- Pray that they would be strengthened in their ability to adapt to a changing world.

Please pray for Astrid Woodward's husband Malcolm who is in hospital and for the whole family at this time, for the families of Derek Lee and John Wartnaby, and for Lilian Norey for healing of ongoing health issues. Also to give thanks that Sam, Lorna Coombes' son, does now not require surgery.

Church Finances and Giving

Thank you for your commitment to maintain and grow our church life. **Our bank details are: CAF Bank Limited**
Name: St Luke's Church, Parkstone PCC. Account No: 00008836 Sort Code: 40-52-40. Or please send a cheque to St Luke's Church Parkstone PCC to the Church Office Wellington Road Parkstone BH14 9LF.



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