

St. Luke's Church Parkstone

'A community of whole-life disciples of Jesus Christ committed to worship, growth, fellowship and mission'

Sunday 15th March 2020, 3rd of Lent

Theme: "From Control through Confusion to Confidence and Care
– Responding to the Corona challenge!"

9.00am **Holy Communion BCP**- Preacher: Chris Strain
Readings: Psalm 91 p.600 and Matthew 8:23-27 p. 973
Hymns: 209, 187, 469, 302

10.30am **Holy Communion CW** - Preacher: Chris Strain
Readings: Psalm 91 p.600 and Matthew 8:23-27 p. 973

6.30pm **Evening Prayer** – led by Roy Stacey

If new to St. Luke's, do please pick up the new 'Introducing St. Luke's' leaflet and complete the Welcome card. Do stay on for Coffee following the morning services. Please come for prayer to seek God's blessing and/or help for something in your life.

Please place offerings in the plate by the PA system. Thank you.

Coronavirus

**The life of St. Luke's may be affected by decisions about the Coronavirus.
Please read any emails that we may send and check the website.**

THIS WEEK

Mon 16th	7.30pm	PCC Meeting – Church Rooms
Tue 17th	2.00pm	Pastoral Team Meeting – Church Rooms
Wed 18th	9.30am	Midweek Worship – Centenary Lounge
	10.00am	Coffee Hour - Church Rooms
Thu 19th	9.00am	Prayer in the Chapel
	10.00am	Parents & Toddlers – Church
	12.00pm	Prayer followed by light lunch – Chapel/Rooms
Fri 20th	7.30pm	Youth Club – Church Hall
Sat 21st	9.00am	Preparing Posies for Mothering Sunday
	9.30am	Prayer for St Luke's & the world - Centenary Lounge
	7.00pm	'Poole Psalms' – St. Mary's RC Church (see notice)

Mothering Sunday, 22nd March

Do join us for a special All Age Service next Sunday at 10.30am. Everyone is welcome. **Please pick up a leaflet and invite friends.**

Forthcoming St. Luke's Events

Midday Service followed by a light lunch this Thursday 19th March in the Chapel

From 12 noon -12.30pm. Do come & invite others who may find this helpful.

Get your tickets for the Ladies' Breakfast, Saturday 28th March, 8.30am

In the Church Rooms. Come & enjoy a lovely breakfast & listen to our speaker, Lis Cullis. Cost £5, tickets now available from the back of the church on Sunday mornings.

Help with Posies and Greenery for Mothering Sunday

Can you help to put posies together for Mothering Sunday? If 'yes' please come to the Church Rooms at **9am next Saturday 21st**. If anyone has greenery suitable to put with daffodils please drop this off by 9am on the 21st. Thank you.

Your Church Needs You plus the Annual Report!

- **The Church Annual General Meeting** will take place on **Sunday 29th March**. We require **3 Deanery Synod members for 3 years, 4 PCC members for 3 years and 1 PCC member for 2 years**. Nomination forms are available at the back of church. Please return to the church office.
- **The Annual Report, Accounts for 2019 and Agenda for the Annual meeting** – these will be sent out electronically to all those on the mailing list. Should you like a printed copy please let Christine know.

Mothers' Union/Families First Notices

- **MU 'Make a Mother's Day' gifts for Mothering Sunday**. Gifts start at just £7.50. Details on the Families First notice board or buy online.
- **Easter Eggs for children at the Poole Refuge** — Donations of £4 would be welcome in order for each child to receive a 'Real Easter Egg' including a book about the Easter story. See Virginia Stacey or Anne Roberts.

Lifts to Church on Sundays – occasional volunteers needed

Could you help with this important service enabling members to attend services? You would not be committed to a regular time but would be responding to a communication asking for a 'one off' lift. Please speak with Virginia Stacey if you can help 01202 773958.

Passover Meal on the evening of Thursday 9th April

You are warmly invited to join us for a Passover Meal at the Church Hall during Holy Week.

Come & help at the Church Spring Clean – Saturday 28th March at 10am

- Come along & help give the church building & garden a good clean and tidy up. Please come any time during the morning, we would love to see you. Refreshments including homemade cake will be available!
- We still need people to help regularly with cleaning in the church. If you are able to keep a particular area of the church cleaned every week, please speak to Kate Wyatt or our Churchwardens, Glenda Hammond and Virginia Stacey.

Other Events/Notices

‘Poole Psalms’ by Toby Nelms with the Cantabile Choir - Sat 21st March at 7pm

At St. Mary’s Catholic Church, Wimborne Road, Poole. BH15 2EG. Poole Psalms is a new work by Toby. Conductor: Jean Holt. Tickets £10 (£5 for under 18s). Tickets from <https://poolepsalmspremiere.eventbrite.co.uk> or 01202 675412

‘The Wisdom House’ – Tuesday 24th March, 7.30pm

At Citygate Church. BH8 8AS. Come and hear Rob Parsons unpack some of the life lessons he has learnt. Tickets £7, Concessions £5 from: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-wisdom-house-bournemouth-tickets-81940134147>

Choral Evensong on Sunday 29th March, 6 pm

At the Church of the Transfiguration, Chaddesley Glen, Canford Cliffs. If you would like to join the choir for this event then there will be a rehearsal on the day at **4.30pm**. Singers of any level & voice type are welcome.

St. Matthew Passion by Bach- Sunday 5th April, 7pm at the Lighthouse, Poole.

A group from church are going to listen to the Bournemouth Symphony Chorus perform Bach St. Matthew Passion. Tickets available via John Pattison.

‘Footsteps’ Poole Passion Play 31st March to 4th April

The Play starts at Parkstone United Reformed Church in Ashley Cross for the earlier scenes & then processes through Ashley Cross to St. Peter’s Parkstone. Tickets £9 for adults & £4.50 for children 5 - 16 at www.poolepassion.com, or on 07719 173378. Due to the nature of the Play it is not suitable for pre-school children

PRAYERS

A Church of England prayer for all those affected by coronavirus: *Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy. Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who care for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may find comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen*

Please Pray for:

- The PCC meeting tomorrow; for good discussions as plans and decisions are made. Pray for Chris, our Churchwardens, Glenda and Virginia, and all who lead.
- The Annual Meeting taking place on 29th March that people will put themselves forward for election onto the Deanery Synod and the PCC

Pray for the work of Mothers' Union/Families First: As it works with people of all faiths, and none, to develop communities, strengthen families and advocate for change.

Pray for those with special need: The frail and elderly, Andy Hogg, Daphne Reeves, Glen Matthews (father of Louise Samways), Craig Giles (brother of Nick), Mary Exton, Daphne Reeves (in the Links Nursing Home), David & Celia Bracey (friends of Astrid Woodward) as David recovers from major surgery.

Special Prayer for the 3rd Sunday of Lent: *Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen*

Mothers' Sunday 22nd March 2020, 4th of Lent

9.00am Holy Communion CW

10.30am Morning Worship with the Baptism of Harrison & Rosie Mutton

6.30pm Praise & Prayer

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