

The Parish of Cannock and Huntington

Building Community with Christ at the Centre

Parish News

Sunday 10th May

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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****Advanced notice** Office Closed W/B 25th May**

Cut off for pew news items Tuesday 26th 3.00pm

The Church takes the safety of everyone within the church very seriously and expects that everyone will work within the church safeguarding policy. In particular, the Church expects anyone who becomes aware of a safeguarding risk or of actual abuse, to report it immediately to our Safeguarding Coordinator,

Teresa Atherton

Collect

God our redeemer,
you have delivered us from the power of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,
so by his continual presence in us he may raise us
to eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

Post Communion

God our Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life:
may we thirst for you,
the spring of life and source of goodness,
through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

First Reading Acts 17.22-31

²²**Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, ‘Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way.** ²³For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them **an altar with the inscription, “To an unknown god.” What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you.** ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. ²⁶From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him - though indeed he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸**For “In him we live and move and have our being”;** as even some of your own poets have said,

“For we too are his offspring.”

²⁹Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. ³⁰While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.’

Second Reading John 14.15-21

Jesus said to his disciples: ¹⁵**‘If you love me, you will keep my commandments.** ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ¹⁸I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.’

Please be generous and help those who have less than yourself

WE'VE GOT PLENTY OF: SOUP, BEANS AND PASTA. WEEKLY REQUIRED FOOD ITEMS: TINNED MEAT, RICE PUDING, TINNED FRUIT, JAM, SQUASH AND UHT MILK.



Prayer for our next Vicar

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for your loving presence within our churches and for your constant love for the communities of Cannock, Huntington and Hatherton. We thank you Father for all those people, past and present, **who have been part of the witnessing life of St Luke's, St Thomas' and St Saviour's and have answered the call to serve you and your church.**

Now as we look to the

future, we pray for someone to come and serve as the vicar of our parish. Father, scripture reminds us that you have always called people into your service. We pray that you have already chosen the person who will be our new vicar. We pray that at the right time, prompted by your Spirit, that person will respond to the advertisement and be drawn to the parish to share with us, the challenges outlined in our Parish Profile. Father, we put our trust in you to send the right person to be our vicar and to lead us on to where you would have us be. This we pray in the name of Jesus our Lord and Saviour. Amen

Annual General Meeting of the Parochial Church Council Tuesday 12th May

Please note that this meeting will be held in the Church Centre on Tuesday 12th April 2026 - 7.00 p.m. (for refreshments) for 7.30 p.m start.

All are welcome to attend

Janice and Janet

Calling all parents!!!! We run a local Brownie group which comprises of three sixes....elves, leprechauns and pixies. We are in urgent need of a leprechaun and a pixie to make our sixes complete. Any parent whose daughters would love to become a leprechaun or a pixie.... please register your interest below!



Do you want to make lots of friends?
Do you want to try new things inside and outdoors?
Do you want others to try out your fun ideas?
Do you want to find out about the world around you?
Do you want to go on trips, sleepovers and holidays?
Are you aged between 7-10?

Brownies is for you!

Brownies is for girls aged between 7-10 who want to have fun!

Our meetings are full of challenges and games, both inside and outside. The activities are suggested by the brownies themselves.

We go on trips, sleepovers, camps, holidays and do things for the community.

Brownies can earn really cool and exciting badges.

If you want to try something new and fun then brownies is for you!

We meet Tuesdays @ St Lukes Church, Cannock between 6pm and 7.30pm.

Why not get your parents/ carers to go onto the girlguiding website and register for our unit:

<https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/get-involved/finding-your-nearest-unit/>

YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU!!

As some of you may know, Janet and I are standing down as Wardens at the APCM in May – Janice after 15 years as Deputy and Warden and Janet after 6 years as Warden. Therefore, there will be two vacancies for the post of Warden.

If you feel called to undertake this important post for St. Luke's Church, please speak to me or Janet. If you feel that you would be prepared to become part of a larger team to share the responsibilities of Warden, we would also love to hear from you. Many thanks, Janice Middleton.

St Luke's Church

Teresa is looking to set up a Welcome Team to welcome people to the 9.30am Sunday service.

Full training on how to set up Church and the equipment will be provided.

Please come and offer to help us welcome people to our Church. Many thanks, Teresa

Church Opening 2026

The Church will be open for visitors and private prayer from the beginning of May until the end of October. In order that we can keep it open every Friday and Saturday morning we need 2 volunteers to be in church to welcome visitors. Could you help out with this important work? Please get in touch with Gill Winter or give your name to the Parish Office if you are able to join the group of church openers this year.

Thank you Gill

This weeks diary

Tue 12th	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Centre
	7.30pm	APCM	Centre
Wed 13th	10.00am	Holy Communion	Centre
	1.30pm	Place of Welcome	St Thomas'
	7.30pm	Bell Practice	St Luke's
Thur 14th	12.30pm	Funeral Wakeman	St Luke's
	7.30pm	Ascension Service	St Luke's
Sun 17th	9.30am	Holy Communion	St Luke's
	11.00am	Morning Prayer	St Thomas
	11.00am	Holy Communion	St Saviours



Everyone Welcome

**An invitation to join us for prayer as we pray together for
God's blessing and empowerment for ministry and
witness in our communities.**

Next Morning Prayer will be **Tuesday 12th May
at 9.30am. Please come along and join us**

**Every Tuesday Morning Prayer at 9.30am in the Centre unless
otherwise announced. Next Prayer Group at**

85 Dartmouth Avenue will be on **28th May**

Everyone Welcome.



Future Services

St. Luke's

Tuesday 19th

9.30am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 20th May

10.00am Holy Communion

Sunday 24th May

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Holy Communion

St Thomas'

11.00am Holy Communion

St Saviours

11.00am Holy Communion

We look forward to welcoming you



A free phone line of hymns,
reflections and prayers



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