

The Parish of Cannock and Huntington

Building Community with Christ at the Centre

Parish News

Sunday 14th June

2nd Sunday after Trinity

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**** notice** Leigh's recovery is taking a while and so the office may be closed on Thursdays and Fridays for a few more weeks.**

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

Lord, you have taught us
that all our doings without love are nothing worth:
send your Holy Spirit
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.

Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake,

who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Loving Father,
we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son:
sustain us with your Spirit,
that we may serve you here on earth
until our joy is complete in heaven,
and we share in the eternal banquet
with Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading *Romans 5.1-8*

¹Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because **God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.**

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person – though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

Second Reading Matthew 9.35 - 10.8(9-23)

³⁵Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷**Then he said to his disciples, ‘The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; ³⁸therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.’**

¹Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. ²These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

⁵**These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: ‘Go nowhere** among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, ⁶but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷As you go, proclaim the good news, **“The kingdom of heaven has come near.”** ⁸Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. ⁹Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, ¹⁰no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for labourers deserve their food. ¹¹Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. ¹²As you enter the house, greet it. ¹³If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. ¹⁴If anyone will not welcome you or lis-

ten to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgement than for that town.

¹⁶See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. ¹⁷Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; ¹⁸and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. ¹⁹When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; ²⁰for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. ²¹Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; ²²and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ²³When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.'

Our JustGiving Page can be found on the St Luke's Church website <https://www.stlukescannock.org.uk/>

for people to be able to make a donation towards the Fabric of our church. Or type "St Luke's Church Cannock" into the search box on the JustGiving Website

We really appreciate your donations.

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

St Thomas' Afternoon Tea

Saturday 4th July 2026

2.00pm—4.00pm

Tickets £15 (ticket only event)

40 Tickets only will be available from 8th June see

Margaret or Tricia or The Parish Office.



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

Please be generous and help those who have less than yourself **WEEKLY REQUIRED FOOD ITEMS:**

Tinned Meat meals, Tinned tuna

Tinned Fruit, Pasta sauces

Squash, UHT Milk Teabags, Treats



Songs of Praise

For our Together in Worship Service at St Luke's on

12 July this will be a Songs of Praise Service. We would like the congregation to choose the songs that they like and let us know why the song they have chosen is special for them. There will be a form at the back of church for you to complete and hand to members of the Welcome / Leadership team or hand into the Parish office by no later than Sunday 28 June so that we can get song words printed. Do come along on 12th July and be prepared to sing! David and Di

This weeks diary

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| Tue 16th | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Church |
| Wed 17th | 10.00am | Holy Communion | Church |
| | 1.30pm | Place of Welcome | St Thomas' |
| | 7.30pm | Bell Practice | St Luke's |
| Thur 18th | 9.00am | Organ Tuning | St Luke's |
| | 9.30am | Quinquennial Inspec | St Luke's |
| Fri 19th | 10.30am | Church Opening | St Luke's |
| Sat 20th | 10.30am | Church Opening | St Luke's |
| Sun 21st | 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 16th June
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 advised
Everyone Welcome.**



Future Services

St. Luke's

Tuesday 23rd

9.30am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 24th

10.00am Holy Communion

Sunday 28th

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Holy Communion

St Thomas'

11.00am Holy Communion

St Saviours

11.00am Morning Prayer

We look forward to welcoming you



A free phone line of hymns,
reflections and prayers



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