

The Parish of Cannock and Huntington

Building Community with Christ at the Centre

Parish News

Sunday 23rd February 2025

2nd Sunday before Lent

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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

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever.

Post Communion

God our creator,
by your gift
the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,
and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:
may we who have been nourished at your table on earth
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross
and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings

23rd February	Genesis 2:4b-9,15-end	Luke 8:22-25
2nd March	2 Corinthians 3:2-4:2	Luke 9:28-36
9th March	Deuteronomy 26:1-11	Luke 4:1-13
23rd March	Isaiah 35:1-9	Luke 13:1-9

Please pray for the people living or working in these roads that
God will bless them:

Moss Crescent, Mosswood Street, New Penkridge
Road, New Street, Newhall Street, Nirvana Close

1st Reading Genesis 2.4b-9,15-25

⁴In the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens, ⁵when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; ⁶but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground ⁷then the LORD God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. ⁸And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. ⁹Out of the ground the LORD God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. ¹⁵The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. ¹⁶**And the LORD God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'** ¹⁸The LORD God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.' ¹⁹So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. ²¹So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said, '**This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.**' ²⁴Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. ²⁵And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

2nd Reading Luke 8.22-25

²²One day Jesus got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, **'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.'** **So they put out,** ²³and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. ²⁴**They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm.** ²⁵**He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'**

Revision of Electoral Roll

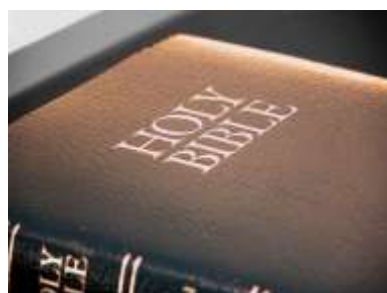
Please be aware that a new electoral roll is being prepared. All members of the current roll must complete a new form if they wish to be included on the new roll. Forms will be available from the Wardens from Saturday 15th February.

More volunteers are needed to read lessons in the

Sunday services at St Luke's ?

Intercessors are also needed.

Please see Janet if you are interested





We are God's Family and like other families it would be good to celebrate birthdays and the milestones of life.

Don't be shy or embarrassed—we won't give your age away! We want to thank God for you, and ask him to bless you as you. Why not give permission to the Parish Office to put your special days in the Pews News or at least give the Ministry

Team the details so that we can pray for you in church?

Happy Birthday to Iris Weatherer

who celebrates her Birthday on 27th February

Many Happy Returns from your Church Family



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 25th February 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 Road will be on Thursday 27th February at 3pm

Everyone Welcome

PRAYER DURING A VACANCY

Almighty God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the church is governed and sanctified, hear our prayer for our parishes and the congregations of St. Luke, St. Thomas and St Saviour.

Give us discernment to recognise the gifts and ministries you have given to us together with the grace to exercise them in harmony with one another and for the good of all.

May we have patience in awaiting the appointment and arrival of a new leader for our parish, and give support to those responsible for choosing that person.

Finally, may we trust you, the God of faithfulness and generosity, to guide us through this time of transition and change, so that we are ready to enter a new chapter in the life of our parish for the glory of your Name and the furtherance of your kingdom.

This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ST LUKE'S FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Day Trip to Bakewell on market day followed by 2 course carvery lunch
Monday 7th April Depart Hednesford (bus stop by Tesco) & Church
Street, Cannock.

Cost £42.50

Contact Margaret 01543 505860 or by email

margaretgwalker@hotmail.co.uk

Payment by bank transfer, cash or cheque payable to Margaret Walker

Coach seats will be allocated on receipt of payment.

Diary

Mon 24th	2.00pm	Vacancy Meeting	Centre
Tue 25th	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Centre
Wed 26th	10.00am	Holy Communion	St Lukes
	1.30pm	Place of Welcome	St Thomas'
	7.30pm	Bell Practice	St Luke's
Thur 27th	3.00pm	Prayer Meeting	Dartmouth Rd
Fri 28th	7.00pm	Choir Practice	St Luke's
Sat 1st	10.00am	Coffee Morning	St Thomas'
Sun 2nd	9.30 am	Holy Communion	St Luke's
	11.00am	Together in Worship	St Thomas'

Everyone welcome

Mothering Sunday

This year's Mothering Sunday service, on 30th March, will be a joint service of Holy Communion with congregations **from St Thomas' and St Saviour's and**

will be held at

St Saviours Church at 11.00am. The service will be conducted by Rev Steve Reynolds.

A service of Holy Communion will also be held at St Luke's at 8.00am on that day.

Please join us for this special service.



Future Services

St. Luke's

Tues 4th

9.30am Morning Prayer Centre

Wednesday 5th

10.00 am Holy Communion

Sunday 9th

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Together in Worship

St Thomas'

11.00am Holy Communion

We look forward to welcoming you

*Please be generous and help those who have
less than yourself*

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

****NB: THE FOOD BANK ARE DESPERATE FOR CARRIER
BAGS****

