

The Parish of Cannock and Huntington

Building Community with Christ at the Centre

Parish News

Sunday 26th January 2025

Epiphany 3

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Monday—Wednesday 9.30am—3pm

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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,
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles
the wonder of your saving presence:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Almighty Father,
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world:
may your people,
illuminated by your word and sacraments,
shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed
to the ends of the earth;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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

**Long Croft, Longford Road, Lowland Road,
Lupin Drive, Lysander Way, Manor Avenue**

1st Reading Nehemiah 8.1-3,5-6,8-10

¹All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. ²Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. ³He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law.

⁵And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. ⁶Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God and all the people **answered, 'Amen, Amen,' lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the LORD with their faces to the ground.**

⁸So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

⁹And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, **and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law.** ¹⁰**Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.'**

Readings

26th January Nehemiah 8:1-3,5-6,8-10 Luke 4:14-21

2nd February Hebrews 2:14-end Luke 2:22-40

9th February Isaiah 6:1-8 Luke 5:1-11

16th February 1 Corinthians 15:12-20 Luke 6:17-26

2nd Reading Luke 4.14-21

¹⁴Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

¹⁶When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸**'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,**

because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,

¹⁹**to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'**

²⁰And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹Then he began to say to them, **'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'**

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 <https://www.justgiving.com>
We really appreciate your donations.



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?

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 28th January
at 9.30am**

Please come along and join us

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

**Next Prayer Group at 85 Dartmouth Road will be on
Thursday 30th January at 3pm**

Everyone Welcome



Do you want to be on the good list for 2025?

We are looking for volunteers to join us in the church centre on Saturday 1st February from 10.00am onwards to help make Christingles for our service.

Everyone welcome, all equipment and training will be provided, come and join our social event and help us make the service

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 27th	10.00am	Holocaust Memorial	St Luke's
Tue 28th	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Centre
Wed 29th	10.00am	Holy Communion	St Lukes
	13.30pm	Place of Welcome	St Thomas'
	19.30pm	Bell Practice	St Luke's
Fri 31st	7.00pm	Choir Practice	St Luke's
Sat 1st	10.00am	Coffee Morning	St Thomas'
Sun 2nd	9.30am	Holy Communion	St Luke's
	12.00pm	Baptism	St Luke's
	4.30pm	Christingle	St Luke's
	11.00am	Together in Worship	St Thomas'

Everyone welcome

St Thomas' Coffee Morning

Saturday 1st February 2025

10.00—12pm

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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****

