# The Parish of Cannock and Huntington

Building Community with Christ at the Centre

# **Parish News**

Sunday 8th June 2025

Pentecost

# **Contact Information**

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Thursday—Friday 9.30am—12.30pm

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, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Readings

8th June	Acts 2:1-21	John 14:8-17
15th June	Proverbs 8:1-4,22-31	John 16:12-15
22nd June	Galatians 3:23-end	Luke 8:25-39
29th June	Zachariah 4:1-6a,10b-end	Matthew 16:13-19

Please pray for the people living or working in these roads that God will bless them: Union Street, Vermont Green, Victoria Street, Vine Lane, Violet Close, Walhouse Street.

#### Reading 1 Acts 2.1-21

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. <sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup>"In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.<sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup>And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.<sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.<sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

#### Reading 2 John 14.8-17

Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us."

Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you are not just my own. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the miracles themselves. I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

"If you love me, you will obey what I command. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counsellor to be with you for ever – the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.

## 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.



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

Please let the wardens or office know.



**Calling all Volunteers** 

More readers are required to help out with readings at 9.30am services on Sundays, please don't be shy if you are even a little bit interested please speak with Janet Bolton.



Our JustGiving Page can be found on the St Luke's Church website <u>https://www.stlukescannock.org.uk/</u> 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. 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 10th 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 12th June at 3pm

**Everyone Welcome.** 

# St. Luke's

# Holy Dusters are looking for more help .....

Would you consider adding your name to our rota? We try to work in teams of three as many hands make light work. *Please* speak to the Wardens if you want more information.









This weeks diary					
Wed 11th	10.00am	Holy Communion	St Luke's		
**	12.30pm	Office Closes **			
	1.30pm	Place of Welcome	St Thomas'		
	7.30pm	Bell Ringers	St Luke's		
Thur 12th	3.00pm	Prayer Group	Dartmouth		
Sat 14th	2.00pm	Afternoon Tea	St Thomas'		
Sun 15th	9.30am	Holy Communion	St Luke's		
	11.00am	Morning Prayer	St Thomas'		
	11.00am	Holy Communion	St Saviours		
Everyone Welcome					

# **THANK YOU !**

Many thanks to all The Holy Dusters who turned up in force to clean the church last week after the interior repair work. Your hard work is very much appreciated by all of us. Also thanks to John and Sue Searle, our in house professional brass cleaners, who keep the brasses looking shiny and clean. The Wardens

**Future Services** St. Luke's <u>Tues 17th</u> 9.30am Morning Prayer Centre Wednesday 18th 10.00 am Holy Communion - St Luke's Sunday 22nd 8.00am Holy Communion 9.30am Morning Prayer St Thomas' 11.00 am Holy Communion St Saviours **11.00am Morning Prayer** 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\*\*** 

