

# St Luke's Newsletter

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FEBRUARY 2019 Edition

inspirational preaching

great fellowship

shared teamwork



For all Activities in Lent  
please pick up our Lent Leaflet  
out on 10<sup>th</sup> February

## Parish Register

### BAPTISM

20<sup>th</sup> Feb Zane Jones

27<sup>th</sup> Feb Brandon Turner

## PARISH SUPPORT FUND – A Thank You

*In January the clergy were sent the following letter from the Bishop Christopher, to share with all the Parishes in Southwark. As a church that benefits from the generosity of other churches in Southwark to support our own clergy this is encouraging news for the year ahead.*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

I trust that you have had a blessed and joyous Christmas. As we move into Epiphanytide I hope that many of you will remember that last year, together with my episcopal colleagues, I asked that all parishes should make Epiphanytide a time of thanksgiving, both for God's blessings to us and for the generosity shown through the Parish Support Fund (PSF). I was very encouraged by the response.

I am delighted that the pledges that we have received for 2019 are in excess of £16.4m. This figure is greater than the amount pledged for 2018 and illustrates how our parishes have shown their continued commitment to funding our mission and ministry across the Diocese in this way. It is so good to know that many of our parishes are aspiring to become self-financing and are willing to share generously that which God has given to them. Thank you for your generosity.

At the end of December 2018, payments received through the PSF were 99.4% of the total pledged for the year and some parishes have also made payments for outstanding amounts from previous years while others have made one-off additional donations. This is such encouraging news.

Please share it in your parishes with my thanks and appreciation.

During 2018 the Diocese received a legacy from Gillian Morley, a former Deaconess at St Swithun, Hither Green. We have used this legacy to start the Southwark Vision Development Fund to provide additional resources to support the Southwark Vision. We are grateful to those churches who have already made gifts to the Fund to support our mission to serve our communities, including reaching those people who do not normally come to our churches.

Before Easter, I will be hosting events across the Diocese, together with the Archdeacons, to share with you examples of how the Southwark Vision is already influencing the work that we do as churches to share God's Good News. We will consider how we are a church which is Walking, Welcoming, Growing with, and in, our communities and give you some details of resources which will help you to further embed this in your parishes. It is such a joy to see how the Southwark Vision, underpinned by the PSF, is transforming the lives of our parishes and the communities we serve.

**The Right Revd Christopher Chessun**  
Bishop of Southwark

## ST LUKE'S MENS BREAKFAST

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February 9.15am

at RENDEZVOUS Café, Whyteleafe CR3 0BL

## Bring and Share Lunch



Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb  
1pm at St Luke's  
All are welcome

If you need to contact a member of clergy please telephone our Curate, Rev. Helen Burnett,  
on 01737 243606 or Email: stlukeswhyteleafe@gmail.com



**The Corner House Cafe  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> Feb  
2.30 - 4.30pm  
at St Luke's**

Entertainment provided will be a Name that Tune.  
Come along for an afternoon of conviviality and a splendid English tea.

**CHARITY OF THE MONTH C.O.A.T.**



On Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> February Geraint Jenkins from the Caterham Overseas Aid Trust will be our Guest Speaker at our 9.30am Eucharist.

There will be a collection during the offertory hymn for COAT all money given excluding that in the weekly envelopes will go to COAT.

Since its formation in 1981 COAT had raised over £330,000 to help people in poverty in third world countries help themselves via agencies working on the ground e.g. Water Aid, Self Help Africa, VSO, TWAM, Tools for Self-Reliance COAT is run by an enthusiastic band of local volunteers, and draws much support from local Churches.

**Conversation and Communion  
at St Luke's**

Thoughts on Meditation and its practice.  
every Tuesday at 7.30pm

- 5th Feb A service of Healing and Wholeness
- 12th Feb The creatures who comfort me
- 19th Feb The people who anger me
- 26th Feb The strangers who inspire me

**Joint Parish Pilgrimage May 12th - 18th  
Chaldon to Canterbury**

Meeting for all who are interested in taking part in the 2019 Pilgrimage.

Come along and find out more, whether you intend to walk the full length, or would like to join for a morning/afternoon, day or just for an evening meal!

**Meeting: Wednesday February 27th at 8.30pm  
in the Hazell Room at Chaldon Church.**

**FRIENDS OF CHALDON CHURCH EVENT  
at St Peter & St Paul's Church  
Chaldon, CR3 5AL**

**Poetry Afternoon**

**Sat 16th February  
at 2.00pm**

**You are invited to bring and read your favourite poems  
at this informal event.**



Tea and cakes will be available  
Donations of £5 per person at the church door  
Proceeds will go towards the maintenance & upkeep of the church

**Caterham Churches Together  
MORNING PRAYER 8.30am**

In February on Wednesday mornings they are meeting at Chaldon Church, Church Lane, Chaldon.

**Services During February**

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb CANDLEMAS**

8.00am BCP Eucharist

9.30am All Age Eucharist Service

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> Feb**

7.30pm Conversation and Communion

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> Feb 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**

9.30am Eucharist & Inklings

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Feb**

7.30pm Conversation and Communion

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**

9.30am Eucharist & Inklings

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Feb**

7.30pm Conversation and Communion

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**

9.30am Eucharist & Inklings

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> Feb**

7.30pm Conversation and Communion

**ELECTORAL ROLL REVIEW**

There will be a complete review of our electoral roll in the first quarter of 2019. Those currently on the roll will be required to complete a new form together with anyone who is not currently on the roll but wishes to be added.

The criteria are stated on the forms which will be available in church.

Please return completed forms to our Electoral Roll Officer, Ida Morgan who will be happy to help with any questions you may have.

**World Day of Prayer Service**

**March 1st at 7.30pm  
at St Lawrence's Church, Caterham**

**A Ground Floor Guide to the  
New Testament.  
Saturday 9th Feb 10.00am -12.30pm  
at Emmanuel Church South Croydon.**

Peter Graystone presents a beginners' guide to the New Testament. Who wrote it and when? What does it tell us about Jesus and his first followers? How can reading it help your Monday - Saturday life and what about the controversial parts

Please let Sara know if you would like to attend.  
Places need to be booked.