

Our  
Mission  
Priorities

Nurturing  
children and  
young people

Sharing our faith  
confidently

Reaching  
isolated groups

Engaging with  
our community

# CHARLTON

ST LUKE AND ST THOMAS

Sunday 30 June 2019  
Proper 8

*Today's Preacher and Celebrant:*

**St Thomas':** Revd Joe Lee

**St Luke's:** Revd Liz Newman

*Today's Readings:*

**First Reading:** 2 Kings 2.1-2,6-14

**Second Reading:** Galatians 5.1,13-25

**Gospel:** Luke 9.51-62



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*The Parishes of St Thomas Old Charlton and St Luke  
with Holy Trinity Charlton working together*

## Diary this week:

<b>Sun 30</b>	<p>10.00: <b>Parish Eucharist</b> at St Luke's</p> <p>10.00: <b>Parish Eucharist</b> at St Thomas'</p> <p>12.00: <b>St Luke's Standing Committee</b> at St Luke's</p> <p>13.00: <b>Picnic in the Park</b> at Maryon Park (<i>until 18.00</i>)</p> <p>18.30: <b>Confirmation Service</b> at St Mary's Woolwich</p>
<b>Mon 1</b>	<p>08.30: <b>Morning Prayer</b> at St Luke's</p> <p>17.30: <b>Evening Prayer</b> at St Thomas'</p>
<b>Tue 2</b>	<p>08.30: <b>Morning Prayer</b> at St Luke's</p> <p>10.00: <b>Tuesday Group</b> at St Thomas' <i>includes The Julian Corner</i></p> <p>17.30: <b>Evening Prayer</b> at St Thomas'</p>
<b>Wed 3</b>	<p>08.30: <b>Morning Prayer</b> at St Luke's</p> <p>10.30: <b>Coffee Morning</b> at St Luke's</p> <p>12.00: <b>Holy Communion</b> at St Luke's</p> <p>17.30: <b>Evening Prayer</b> at St Thomas'</p>
<b>Thu 4</b>	<p>08.30: <b>Morning Prayer</b> at St Luke's</p> <p>17.30: <b>Evening Prayer</b> at St Thomas'</p> <p>18.00: <b>Tom's Youth Café</b> at St Thomas'</p> <p>19.30: <b>The Cost of Discipleship Group</b> at 10 Mayhill Road</p>
<b>Fri 5</b>	<p>12.00: <b>Funeral</b> at St Luke's</p>
<b>Sun 7</b>	<p>10.00: <b>St Thomas' Day Eucharist</b> at St Thomas'</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i><b>NB: No Eucharist at St Luke's</b></i></p>



### Thought for the week

If you are neutral in situations of injustice, you have chosen the side of the oppressor. *Archbishop Desmond Tutu*

## News and notices

### Thank you

To Everyone who contributed in any way to last week's Music for a Summer's Evening Concert at St Luke's. As usual it was a wonderfully varied event and we are grateful to those on stage and behind the scenes who give their time and energy to make it happen.

To everyone who helps out at Tom's Youth Café week by week - setting up, welcoming the young people, being a friendly face and creating a great atmosphere.

### **TONIGHT - Confirmation Service - TONIGHT**

Please join us tonight at 6.00pm for the Deanery Confirmation service. It is being held at St Mary's Church, St Mary Magdalene Crescent, Woolwich, London, SE18 5AR Woolwich.

What a joy it will be to see Marlon, Sonia and Gladys confirmed, and Blanca received into the Church of England.

***Please come along to support our sisters and brother in Christ.***

### **NEXT SUNDAY – St Thomas' Day – NEXT SUNDAY**

What a day it's going to be!!!

- We're all worshipping together – both congregations in one place (St Thomas' church 10am) – which is always lovely, celebrating our wonderful patron Thomas
- Our guest preacher is Revd William David, Chaplain at Queen Elizabeth Hospital.
- Juliana, William, Mary, Christy and Kayden are being baptized
- 13 children are being admitted to first communion
- We're having lunch together afterwards – so please bring something to share!

***Please make sure you all come to St Thomas' next Sunday***

### **Picnic in the Park - TODAY**

Our churches will be at Picnic in the Park today from 12 noon, running a children's tent in Maryon Park. We are focussing on the environment and 'Care for All Creation.'

Why not come along, have a look at our activities and join in the fun.

### **Fundraiser for Charlton Toy Library**

Support fundraising for Charlton Toy Library- 6th July at the White Swan in The Village. Children's concert at 5.00pm - tickets per adult £5.00. (Students of Colin Food-Divers performing popular hits from the sixties and seventies)  
From 8.00pm - Snappy rock with humour, jazz, folk and pop rock (free).

### **Can you make a cuppa?**

Our friends at Rucksack Music now meet at St Richard's Church Centre on Wednesdays from 1pm during term time. Rucksack Music run music and singing sessions for preschool children. They have relocated from Charlton House. This is a great mission opportunity for us as we have a chance to work with Rucksack Music to get to know local families. To welcome parents and children as they arrive we will be offering 'Cuppa and Cake' between 1pm and 1.45pm. If you could be on a rota to offer this hospitality, please let Revd Liz know.

### **PCC Secretary for St Luke's**

Are you able to minute our monthly PCC meetings, send out agendas and other papers, bring correspondence from the diocese to the attention of the Rector and Churchwardens and prepare a report for the Annual Church meeting? This ESSENTIAL role at St Luke's is vacant and we need someone to take it on – guidance and training provided. So if you have those skills and would be prepared to help, please speak to Revd Liz or one of the Churchwardens.

### **School's Project**

There are 6 primary and 4 secondary schools in our parishes, and none of them is a church school. That means we have to work very hard to build relationships and we don't have an automatic 'in' that churches with their own schools do. The School's Project that is part of our Mission Action Plan is a wonderful way of engaging our local primary schools, sharing our faith with children, teachers and parents, and building relationships with local people. Find out more about what the children learn and experience by reading the thank you letters they send. There is a folder in each church for you to browse!

**Children's Church at St Luke's** is paused at present. Activities for children during the service are available in the Lady Chapel.

### **Annual Trip to St Mary's Leigh – Afternoon of Sunday 21 July**

We are always really spoiled when we go to Leigh – a lovely afternoon tea, friendship and worship and the sun normally shines too. In both churches there are lists for people who would like a lift – add your name please as soon as possible. And please let me know if you are planning to drive there and may have a spare place in your car.

### **Almshouse flat available**

There is a vacancy at St Like's Almshouses in a bedsit with a kitchen diner and bathroom. The rent is £90 per week with water bill, own electric use and council tax to pay. Open to anyone over 55 with a connection to Charlton. Pets considered. Please contact Revd Liz or Rick Newman.

### **Plants in the garden at St Luke's**

Thank you to everyone who has been watering the plants at St Luke's. Please, if you are passing through The Village, can you stop off and water the new plants – particularly the hedging plants in the front churchyard by the side of Charlton Church Lane. Thank you.

### **Look out for...**

For 6 weeks over the summer we'll be joined by an ordinand on placement. Bisi Akano-Adesoye is just about to start her third and final year of training for the priesthood and she will be preaching and helping to lead worship at both churches. Bisi is local, very friendly and we'll be delighted to be able to help with her formative experiences as she prepares for ordination next year. She works full time so most of the time she spends with us will be on Sundays. Her first Sunday is 28th July and her last one 8th September. Please make her very welcome!

### **Situation vacant for a Personal Assistant (Carer)**

A person with a disability and who uses a wheelchair is looking for a new Personal Assistant (Carer) from September. The rate is approx. £11 an hour for a 40 hour week. They must be over 25, able to drive and be flexible about hours (usually Monday to Friday) As it involves personal care, he is looking for a man. If anyone is interested or knows anyone who might be they should email [doobert@mac.com](mailto:doobert@mac.com) for further details and an explanation of the role.

### ***Safeguarding***

*Our churches take safeguarding extremely seriously and have adopted and implement our Diocesan procedures and guidelines contained in A Safe Church. These are in line with those agreed by the House of Bishops. For further information please see the Safeguarding noticeboard at St Thomas', St Luke's and St Richard's, or visit the website. The Parish Safeguarding Officers and Rector would be very happy to answer any questions you may have.*

*We all have a responsibility to make our churches safe places for all. If you have any concerns, please bring them to the attention of the Rector, Parish Safeguarding Officer, Churchwardens or a PCC member without delay.*

# Prayer Extra



*God of reconciling hope,  
as you guided your people in the past  
guide us through the uncertainties of the present time  
and bring us to that place of flourishing  
where our unity can be restored,  
the common good served  
and all shall be made well.  
In the name of Jesus we pray.  
Amen.*

## **Please remember in your prayers this week:**

**The Church:** Our friends at St Mary's, Leigh; All working for the Southwark Diocese; Our Mission Action Plan and for Liz leading on our plans to pilot a discussion group targeted at the un- and de-churched

**The World:** The Diocese of Manicaland; Prime Minister Theresa May, Jeremy Hunt and Boris Johnson who'd like to replace her, and those who will make that choice. May God's love and healing power may help heal the divisions in our country; The Democratic Republic of Congo where Ebola is spreading and 1,500 people have died; The work of The Children's Society; Len Duvall our London Assembly Member

**Our local community:** Charlton Park Academy; 40 Littleheath; New Charlton Community Centre; Charlton Society

## **Those celebrating their birthday or an anniversary last week**

**To be married:** We pray for Holly and Harrison as they prepare for their wedding.

**Confirmation:** We pray for Marlon, Sonia and Gladys as they prepare to be confirmed next week and Blanca who will be received in to the Church of England

**First Communion:** We pray for Oscar, Cheyanne, Kayden, Juliana, Justin, Kenya, Kayin, Antonio, Phillip, Deborah, Valentina, Faith and Tania preparing to receive their First Communion... that they will walk with Jesus all the days of their lives

**To be baptised:** Please pray for the following children to be baptized in our churches in the coming days: Oscar, Felix, Kayden, Deborah, Juliana, William, Mary, Christy, Justin, Kenya and Kayin. We pray too for parents and godparents, that they will support these children on their lifelong journey with Jesus

## **Those who have asked for our prayers or who are sick**

**R.I.P.:** Gloria Perkins

**Year's Mind:** Stella Zammit; Leonard Chalk

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