

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 10 November 2019 Remembrance Sunday

Today's Preacher and Celebrant:

St Luke's: Revd Liz Newman

St Thomas': Revd Joe Lee

Today's Readings:

First Reading: Micah 4.1-5

Second Reading: James 3.13-18

Gospel: Matthew 5.43-end



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with Holy Trinity Charlton working together*

Diary this week:

Sun 10	<p>10.00: Remembrance Sunday Eucharist at St Thomas'</p> <p>10.00: Remembrance Sunday All Age Eucharist at St Luke's</p> <p>11.15: Bible Study at St Luke's</p> <p>14.30: Service at Time Court Care Home</p>
Mon 11	<p>08.30: Morning Prayer at St Luke's</p> <p>11.00: Funeral at St Luke's</p> <p>17.30: Evening Prayer at St Thomas'</p>
Tue 12	<p>08.30: Morning Prayer at St Luke's</p> <p>10.00: Tuesday Group at St Thomas' <i>includes The Julian Corner</i></p> <p>11.00: Funeral at St Luke's</p> <p>17.30: Evening Prayer at St Thomas'</p> <p>18.15: St Thomas' Standing Committee at St Thomas'</p>
Wed 13	<p>08.30: Morning Prayer at St Luke's</p> <p>10.30: Midweek Coffee Morning at St Luke's</p> <p>11.00: Funeral at St Thomas'</p> <p>12.00: Holy Communion at St Luke's</p> <p>17.30: Evening Prayer at St Thomas'</p>
Thu 14	<p>08.30: Morning Prayer at St Luke's</p> <p>17.30: Evening Prayer at St Thomas'</p> <p>18.00: TOMS Youth Café at St Thomas'</p> <p>19.30: Study Group at 10 Mayhill Road... <i>...studying 'Mere Christianity' by CS Lewis</i></p>
Sat 16	<p>11.30: Messy Church at St Richard's <i>until 14.30</i></p>
Sun 17	<p>10.00: Parish Eucharist at St Thomas'</p> <p>10.00: Parish Eucharist at St Luke's <i>Includes Children's Church</i></p> <p>11.15: Bible Study at St Luke's</p>



Thought for the week

'What is done cannot be undone, but one can prevent it happening again'. *Ann Frank*

News and notices

Thank you...

... to everyone who helped with the All Souls Service at St Luke's – people who came were very grateful for the opportunity to reflect, grieve and give thanks.

... to everyone who helped with Just About Poppies at St Thomas' this week, a wonderful opportunity for children from local schools to learn more about the role of faith in war and peace. Special thanks to Liz Buck for her tremendous hard work in putting the whole experience together.

Messy Church

A new way of being church begins this Saturday at St Richard's! Starting on Saturday November 16th at 11.30am, we are launching Messy Church.

Messy Church is a form of church for children and adults that involves creativity, celebration and hospitality. It's primarily for people who don't already belong to another form of church. Sonia is leading a team who will be running Messy Church once a month on the third Saturday of each month. Please pray for this new congregation, that through it many children and adults will come to follow Jesus.

Diddy Disciples

On Tuesday November 19th we're launching Diddy Disciples at St Richard's. Diddy Disciples is a creative and playful new worship and Bible storytelling resource for babies, toddlers and young children. We are running it every Tuesday between 9.30 and 11am in term time and we're running it as a Fresh Expression of church. That means it will be a non-traditional form of church aimed at people who don't already go to church. Please pray for this new congregation emerging at St Richard's and please spread the word to people who care for babies, toddlers and young children who might like to come along.

Deanery 'Christmas Journey' for schools

Volunteers are needed for the 5th and 6th of December at St Thomas's - acting parts and to help children to make crafts. Training is on Saturday 16th November at 9.45 until 12.00 noon at Christ Church in Greenwich. Please let Liz B know if you can take part. You will need to attend the training session to rehearse if you are taking an acting role.

Update for School events

Thank you to everyone who donated bottle caps etc. The event is this week and we don't need any more.

We DO need wooden spring clip clothes pegs and volunteers to cut out sheep for the Christmas Journey. Thanks

News from our PCC's

In October, both our PCCs....

- Were reminded about their responsibilities under Data Protection legislation
- Were given information about a PCC Quiet Day in December at Sisters of Mercy Convent, Eltham
- Were updated on our progress on the MAP a year on from its launch
- Agreed the terms of the memorandum of understanding between Greenwich Winter Night Shelter and host venues
- Considered a safeguarding scenario
- Received reports from the Rector and from Deanery Synod representatives on the recent Deanery Forum where the focus was eco church

And at ST THOMAS'...

- We discussed a strategy for increasing participation across the congregation

While at ST LUKE'S...

- Chose the charities Greenwich Food Bank and Mercy Ships as the recipients of our Christmas collections this year
- Decided to adopt online banking
- Agreed role descriptions for Sacristan, Head Server and Server
- Received the churchwardens' building maintenance plan

Contacting Revd Liz: Liz, our Rector, can be contacted by email liz@charlton.church or by phoning 07922 587263. Liz usually has her day off on Friday.

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.

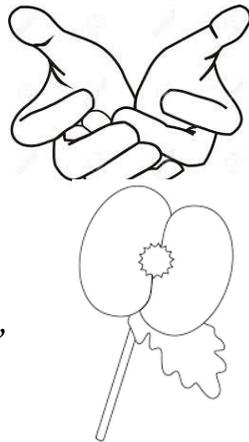
We all have a responsibility to make our churches safe places for all. If you have any concerns, please bring them to the attention of the Rector, Parish Safeguarding Officer, Churchwardens or a PCC member without delay.

Newsletter copy deadline: News and prayer requests to be included in next week's newsletter can be sent to news@charlton.church or phoning 020 8858 8175 by 12 noon on Wednesday.

Prayer Zone

Ever-living God

*we remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence;
may that same peace calm our fears,
bring justice to all peoples
and establish harmony among the nations,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*



Please remember in your prayers this week:

The Church: Our friends at St Mary's, Leigh; Liz, Bennett, Joe & Jean our clergy; For our Just About Schools Project, that through it church relationships with the schools in our benefice will grow and children will learn more about the Christian faith.; From our Deanery we pray for St Nicholas Kidbrooke; We pray for Messy Church, starting as a monthly Fresh Expression of church at St Richard's.

The World: The Diocese of Manicaland; The people of Bolivia, where the election result is disputed and violence is breaking out; We hold before God all candidates in our General Election, that the policies they promote will be for the good of all and that we exercise our vote with care and responsibility; We pray for the lands in which we were born - today we remember especially Zimbabwe, praying that peace and justice will reign there and that your church there will thrive; The work of USPG (United Society Partners in the Gospel)

Our local community: The staff and pupils at Our Lady of Grace School; All living and working at Beecham Close; Central Charlton Residents Association; Charlton Parkside Community Hub; Matthew Pennycook, one of the MP's representing our Benefice; We pray for the Refugee Project at St Thomas', helping people a long way from home to feel at home; We pray for Greenwich Winter Night Shelter, starting this week, for guests who would otherwise be sleeping rough, and for volunteers.

Those celebrating their birthday last week:

Those who have asked for our prayers or who are sick:

R.I.P.: Tatlyn May Clarke; James Holloway; Roy Leonard Edward Wood; Alice O'Callaghan; Revd Peter Milligan

Year's Mind: Ivy O'Neill; Jennie Lake; Derek Skinner; Doris Jelley; Richard Ajulo Jr; Alan Scutt

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.