

# Sunday 27thth October 2024

#### 10:30am

## **Family Communion**

in the Church and online

### **Blind Bartimaeus**

**Readings:** Psalm 34 1 -14 ( p 561); Mark 10 46 - 52 (p 1015 – 1016)

Leading and Speaking: Revd. Michael Norman (Vicar)

## 5:30pm

#### **Encounter Service**

Worship in the Earthly Tabernacle and the Blood of Christ

**Reading:** Hebrews 9 (pages 1206-1207) **Leading:** Revd. Michael Norman (Vicar)

Speaking: Pam Norman

# Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024 Morning Worship

in the Church and online

Jesus and the Greatest Commandment

Readings: Deuteronomy 6: 4-9 (p 185); Mark 12: 28-34 (p 1018)

Leading: Bill Miller

**Speaking:** Dave Clarke (Reader)

### 5:30pm

## **Encounter Service**

The High Priest of the New Covenant

**Reading:** Hebrews 10 1 - 18 (p1207 - 1209)

Leading: Dave Clarke Speaking: Bill Miller

If you are new to St Luke's Church (online too!) – welcome. Please email your details to <a href="mailto:office@stlukeswatford.org">office@stlukeswatford.org</a> and we will email back a welcome form for you to complete. Weekly updates by email – contact church office if you would like to receive them.

Church Office not open on Tuesdays. **St Luke's Church Office ☎** 01923 246161 **Church Website:** www.stlukeswatford.org **Tuesday 29th** 

10am **Holy Communion** in Church – Richard

Waddington

8pm – 9pm Focus Prayer Meeting on zoom – John Sills

**Thursday 31st** 

5pm – 7pm Holiday Club Short – church hall

7:30pm **BETA group** in chapel

7:30pm Alpha in lounge

**NOVEMBER** 

Friday 1st

10-11am Hour of Prayer in the Chapel

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>

10:30am **Morning Worship** 

5.30pm Encounter - Hebrews 10 1-18

**Tuesday 5th** 

10am Service of the Word in Church 8pm – 9pm Focus Prayer Meeting on zoom

Wednesday 6th

7:30 – 10pm Big Parenting Questions in church hall

8pm **Can Community Choir** in church

**Thursday 7th** 

9:30am **Toddlers** in church hall 7:30pm **BETA group** in chapel

7:30pm Alpha in lounge

Friday 8th

9:15am – 2pm Preparation Day for World Day of Prayer

10-11am **Hour of Prayer** in the Chapel

6.30pm to 10pm **Cameo** in the Lounge

Film night: John Bunyan - The People's

**Pilgrim** 

Sunday 10th

8:00am Holy Communion

8:30am Pre-service Prayer meeting on Zoom 10:30am All Age Remembrance Service – with

parade

5.30pm **Encounter - Hebrews 10 19 - 39** 

# **Get Involved**

<u>Celebrations:</u> Happy Birthday to Colin D, Marina W and Grace T for tomorrow and Cleo B for Tuesday, Bethan L for Friday. Please let the office know of any celebrations you would like to share.

<u>Church Office Closed</u> Please note that the Church Office is closed 28<sup>th</sup> October – 1<sup>st</sup> November. Please use the office email for communications which will be picked up the following week.

<u>Filing cabinet for the office</u> Does anyone have an old but serviceable 4 door filing cabinet for the church office to help sort out ancient/current files.

Children and Family Team Leader Vacancy Details are on our website.

**<u>Big Parenting Questions:</u>** Care for The Family Autumn tour at St.Luke's November 6<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm. Book ccf.org.uk/bigparenting. Speakers Robin Vincent and Cathy Madavan. Offers hope and help when parenting adolescents.

Praying for persecuted Christians on Wed 13th Nov 7.30pm Hannah Joy, the Open Doors Church Relations Manager for the London area, will be at St Lukes on Wednesday 13th November from 7.30 - 9pm, to lead us in praying and learning more about the persecuted church. Contact John W on 0777 999 1551 or john@petermagnusdesign.co.uk for details.

<u>Christmas Pudding Making Event 15<sup>th</sup> November</u> Tickets selling fast! £10 per pud with profits going to Watford Food Bank contact Kate D-B or email <u>stlukespuds@gmail.com</u>

<u>Tearfund Big Quiz Night</u> - Hundreds of churches, one big quiz, **Saturday 16th November** 7.00pm Reserve your place through Churchsuite, Donations through Justgiving QR code.

<u>SANTAS HAMPERS 2024 to be packed on 6<sup>th</sup> December</u> – sweet treats, toiletries, toys and gifts for 50 families in conjunction with Three Rivers Refugee Partnership. Last year each box cost £40. You can make a contribution via the church office, or in the gift aid envelopes in church (marking it 'Santa's Hampers').

<u>Watford Winter Shelter Volunteer Scheme</u> We also have proposed dates for training on 5<sup>th</sup> November 1-2pm and 12<sup>th</sup> November 6-7pm - tbc. Link to application and role information: <a href="https://www.newhope.org.uk/volunteering-watford-winter-shelter">https://www.newhope.org.uk/volunteering-watford-winter-shelter</a>

<u>Accommodation Requested</u> Robin and Sarah Kinstead - Senior Minister at Figtree Anglican Church in Wollongong in Sydney and Sarah is the Hospital Chaplain at Wollongong hospital. The Kinsteads were married at St Luke's in 2002 and are coming to Watford their two children (18 and 16) in December 12th 2024 until January 2nd 2025. They are looking for accommodation over this period whilst they visit elderly and infirm parents in Watford.

### The Collect (All Saints)

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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



## Suggestions for prayer this week

Let us pray for the world, for the church, and let us thank God for his goodness. Let us encourage one another to go deeper into prayer and to persevere.

**World events:** For peace in Gaza and Lebanon. For peace in Ukraine. For the US elections. For people rebuilding lives in Florida after hurricanes. For humility, wisdom and understanding in our world's leaders.

**World Watch List:** Christians in **Egypt** (*world's 38*<sup>th</sup> highest area of religious persecution)

Deanery Cycle of Prayer: South Oxhey: All Saints; Oxhey: St Matthew
Those with on-going needs: Pat W, Janine (Gill Es' sister), Valerie W, Barbara T
St Luke's family in need: Valerie T, Janet G, Helen J, Veronica C, Val and Ron
H, Mark H, Elizabeth S, Maeve K, Gill E, Bryan H, Ryan W and others we know.

**Our wider family and friends in need:** Pam N's brother Stephen R and others we know and love.

**Those in mourning:** friends and family of Helen Roberts, friends and family of Neal Wilkinson; friends and family of Patricia Reeve and all those we know mourning loved ones at this time.

Giving Thanks: We give thanks for the many answers to prayer this week.

The next prayer list is **yellow.** Please do take one home to pray over.