

Parish News

Sunday 15th July, 2018

7th Sunday after Trinity

St Luke's Church

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion

10.00 a.m. Holy Communion

12.30 p.m. Holy Baptism

3.00 p.m. Civic Service

St Thomas' Church

10.30 a.m. Holy Communion

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday 10.00 am Holy Communion

Friday 11.00 am Church opening St Lukes

Saturday 10.30 a.m. Church Opening St Luke's

Collect for the Day

Lord of all power and might,
the author and giver of all good things:
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us with all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;
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.

First Reading : *Ephesians 1.3-14*

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ ⁴before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses according to the riches of his grace ⁸that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in Christ, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹²so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the

promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as **God's own people to the praise of his glory.**

Second Reading Mark 6.14-29

¹⁴**King Herod heard of the healings and other miracles, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, 'John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.'** ¹⁵But others said, 'It is Elijah.' And others said, 'It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.' ¹⁶**But when Herod heard of it, he said, 'John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.'** ¹⁷For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. ¹⁸For John had been telling Herod, 'It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.' ¹⁹And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, ²⁰for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. ²¹But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. ²²When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, 'Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.' ²³And he solemnly swore to her, 'Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.' ²⁴She went out and said to her mother, 'What should I ask for?' She replied, 'The head of John the Baptist.' ²⁵Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, 'I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptistizer on a platter.' ²⁶The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. ²⁷Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, ²⁸brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,
ever giving himself that the world may live:
may we so receive within ourselves
the power of his death and passion
that, in his saving cup,
we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Home Communion

Friends Birthday

Gladys Cash 95 on Friday 26th July

Have a lovely Day from us all.

★ HAPPY ★
BIRTHDAY!

Dear Reader

I am organising a charity concert to take place at The Prince of Wales Theatre, Cannock on Sunday 12th August 2018. The concert is in memory of Rosie Maddox, a friend of mine who sadly passed away in January, aged just 25.

Rosie was a huge lover of dogs, and worked as a carer at Chase Care in Hednesford. To keep Rosie's memory alive, her family have chosen to raise funds and awareness for Guide Dogs for the Blind Association (UK) in the hope to name a 'guide puppy' after her so it can continue caring on her behalf; the goal to achieve this is £10,000.

'JUST SING: For Rosie' will take place on Sunday evening at 7pm. It will be an evening of musical entertainment with myself and 3 others performing songs from some of Broadway's biggest shows. The tickets are £15 which includes entry into the luxury raffle and can be purchased from myself, Lucy, on 07446 014074 or by emailing justsingforosie@gmail.com. All profits from the evening will go towards their goal.

I am based in Cannock myself and the other singers are also local: George Stuart, Birmingham Conservatoire graduate from Shareshill.

Maison Kelley, professional vocalist, currently working in London's West End, originally from Dudley.

Bella Bowen, also current professional West End performer from Telford.

Lucy Follows

‘SONGS FOR YOU’ in Cannock area.

Singing for health for people with dementia
and their carers.

Sessions run by Arts for Health
Practitioners, Gillie Nicholls.

There will be popular songs, tea & cake,
friends and lots of fun.

Venue: **St Thomas’ Church.**

When: 24th July

Time: 1.30—2.30pm

Info: Helen on 01785 221328 or
07964208542



Dates for Your Diary

AT ST LUKE'S

Tuesday 4th September 7.30 pm St Luke's Committee

Tuesday 11th September 7.30 pm PCC

AT ST THOMAS'

Parish Office

Due to school holidays the office may be closed in the afternoons between 23rd July and end of August, please see website or call the office before visiting to check times.

Thank you.

Many thanks to all those who had plants off me. I have now paid in £ 115 to church funds.

Also thanks to those who have given me plant pots. There are now enough to keep me going a few years.

😊 Linda Pick



Services next Sunday 22nd July 2018
8th Sunday after Trinity

St Luke's Church

8 a.m. Holy Communion

10.00 a.m. All Age Communion with Baptism

St Thomas'

10.30 am Holy Communion

12.30 p.m. Holy Baptism

Please remember in your prayers

Margaret Millar, Ann Kirkby, Betty Bailey,

Daisy Smith, Lisa Kendrick

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