

The Parish of Cannock and Huntington

Building Community with Christ at the Centre

Parish News

Sunday 31st August 2025

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Office hours

Monday—Wednesday 9.30am—3pm

Thursday—Friday 9.30am—12.30pm

The Church takes the safety of everyone within the church very seriously and expects that everyone will work within the church safeguarding policy. In particular, the Church expects anyone who becomes aware of a safeguarding risk or of actual abuse, to report it immediately to our Safeguarding Coordinator,

Teresa Atherton

Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power
most chiefly in showing mercy and pity:
mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace,
that we, running the way of your commandments,
may receive your gracious promises,
and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure;
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.

Post Communion

Lord of all mercy,
we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice
which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace:
by our communion
keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel
and preserve us from all sin;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings

31st August	Hebrews 13:1-8,15-16	Luke 14:1,7-14
7th September	Philemon 1-21	Luke 14:24-33
14th September	Timothy 1:12-17	Luke 15:1-10
21st September	2 Corinthians 4:1-6	Matthew 9:9-13
28th September	1 Timothy 6:6-19	Luke 16:19-end

Reading 1 Hebrews 13.1-8,15-16

Keep on loving each other as brothers. Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow-prisoners, and those who are ill-treated as if you yourselves were suffering.

Marriage should be honoured by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral. Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because **God has said, “Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.”**

So we say with confidence, **“The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?”**

Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever.

Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise – the fruit of lips that confess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

Reminder

Just a reminder that all car park pass applications need to be sent back in to the Parish Office.

It is important that if you have an email address and mobile telephone number to put it on the form in order for the office to add you to the distribution list in case of emergencies. Thank you Parish Office

Reading 2 Luke 14.1,7-14

¹On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. ⁸**“When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, “Give this person your place,” and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, “Friend, move up higher”; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.’**

¹²**He said also to the one who had invited him, ‘When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.’**

**An invitation to join us for prayer as we pray together for
God’s blessing and empowerment for ministry and
witness in our communities.**

Next Morning Prayer will be **Tuesday 2nd September
at 9.30am. Please come along and join us**

**Every Tuesday Morning Prayer at 9.30am in the Centre
unless otherwise announced. Next Prayer Group at
85 Dartmouth Avenue will be on**

Thursday 11th September at 3pm Everyone Welcome.

We are God's Family and like other families it would be good to celebrate birthdays and the milestones of life.

Don't be shy or embarrassed—we won't give your age away We want to thank God for you, and ask him to bless you as you.

Please let the Wardens or the Parish Office know.



Happy Anniversary to Chris and Elizabeth Gooch who celebrate their anniversary on 7th September

Best wishes from your Church Family

PRAYER DURING A VACANCY

Almighty God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the church is governed and sanctified, hear our prayer for our parishes and the congregations of St. Luke, St. Thomas and St Saviour. Give us discernment to recognise the gifts and ministries you have given to us together with the grace to exercise them in harmony with one another and for the good of all. May we have patience in awaiting the appointment and arrival of a new leader for our parish, and give support to those responsible for choosing that person. Finally, may we trust you, the God of faithfulness and generosity, to guide us through this time of transition and change, so that we are ready to enter a new chapter in the life of our parish for the glory of your Name and the furtherance of your kingdom. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

St Luke's Friendship Group

Day Trip to Weston-Super-Mare

Including 2 course carvery lunch at Brent House

Friday 10th October

Depart from Hednesford & Church Street Cannock

Cost: £47.50

Deposit £10.00 Balance no later than 31st August

Contact Margaret Walker 01543 505860

margaretwalker@hotmail.co.uk

Payment by bank transfer, cash or cheque payable to
Margaret Walker.

Coach seats allocated on receipt of payment.

WANTED!!

Margaret and Linda are hanging up their aprons for the last time at the end of November.

Therefore, we need a volunteer to run the Centre Café on the 3rd Saturday of every month.

If you feel called to do this important ministry for St Luke's, please speak to Janice or Janet for further information.

Thank you, The Church Wardens

This weeks diary

Tue 2nd	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Centre
	11.00am	Funeral White	St Thomas'
Wed 3rd	10.00am	Holy Communion	St Luke's
	1.30pm	Place of Welcome	St Thomas'
	7.30pm	Bell Ringers	St Luke's
Fri 5th	10.30am	Church Opening	St Luke's
Sat 6th	10.00am	Coffee Morning	St Thomas'
	10.30am	Church Opening	St Luke's
Sun 7th	9.30am	Holy Communion	St Luke's
	11.00am	Together in Worship	St Thomas'
	11.00am	Holy Communion	St Saviours

Everyone Welcome

WANTED

Bric-a-brac, jigsaws, jewellery for our Table-Top Sale on FRIDAY 17TH OCTOBER. NO BOOKS, THANK YOU.

The café will be open for tea and coffee plus bacon rolls and hot dogs from 10.00am – 12.30pm.

Please come and support this fund-raiser for the Christmas Tree Festival.

Future Services

St. Luke's

Tues 9th

9.30am Morning Prayer Centre

Wednesday 10th

10.00 am Holy Communion - St Luke's

Sunday 14th

8.00am Holy Communion—St Luke's

9.30am Together in Worship

St Thomas'

Sunday 14th

11am—Holy Communion

We look forward to welcoming you

*Please be generous and help those who have
less than yourself*

WE'VE GOT PLENTY OF: SOUP, BEANS AND PASTA.

**WEEKLY REQUIRED FOOD ITEMS: TINNED MEAT, RICE
PUDING, TINNED FRUIT, JAM, SQUASH AND UHT MILK.**

****NB: THE FOOD BANK ARE DESPERATE FOR CARRIER
BAGS****

