

The Parish of Cannock and Huntington

Building Community with Christ at the Centre

Parish News

Sunday 6th September 2026

14th Sunday after Trinity

Contact Information

Parish Office 01543 229233

Email: stlukesparish@btconnect.com

<http://www.stlukescannock.org.uk>

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

Almighty God,
whose only Son has opened for us
a new and living way into your presence:
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills
to worship you in spirit and in truth;
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 God, the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading *Romans 13.8-14*

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; ¹³let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the

Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Second Reading *Matthew 18.15-20*

Jesus spoke to his disciples. ¹⁵'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

AUTUMN STUDY COURSE

Following the success of the Lent Course the Ministry Team intend to run another course during October. We will follow another book in the Pilgrim course based on the Lord's Prayer. It will be a six week course running on **Thursday's, from October 1st to November 5th**, with an afternoon session at **2.30pm** and an evening session at **7.00pm**. You don't have to attend every week but please join us for as many of the sessions as you can.

To sign up, please add your name to the form at the back of Church or in the Parish Office.

Steve, Gill, David and Di.



Message from Andy Brittle

Following our recent Quinquennial Inspection, we have been asked to start weekly routine checks with regards to movement, which may be associated with the nearby town centre demolition.

You may notice strategically placed red card which says 'do not move' and cloth around the pulpit area which looks out of place.

At the moment Andy and Donna have placed these 'dust/mortar traps' where we think the issues are, and these will be checked weekly in order for us to monitor and document any possible movement in the Church building. The architect has stated that as the Church's appointed architect, his priority is keeping St Luke's fully open and functional, this monitoring will help him ensure that any early signs of movement will be picked up. To that end we need your assistance. In your visits to Church, we ask that if you see any large particles of plaster and excess dust (particularly near walls and windows), you inform Donna, Andy or Janice/Teresa.

These items should not be touched or moved and remain in situ until we can take photographic evidence and document on our Structural Monitoring sheets. Please ensure that children near the carpeted area do not remove the red card dust traps and the fabric placed around the pulpit area. In addition, should anyone experience difficulties in the opening or closing of doors then please pass on this information as soon as possible again to Donna Andy Janice or Teresa. Please be assured that St Luke's is perfectly safe to visit at present, however, we do need to be mindful that things change quickly. If you do see something or hear vibrations etc then please report immediately to one of the above. Andy Brittle

Prayer for our next Vicar

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for your loving presence within our churches and for your constant love for the communities of Cannock, Huntington and Hatherton. We thank you Father for all those people, past and present, who have been part of the witnessing life of St Luke's, St Thomas' and St Saviour's and have answered the call to serve you and your church.

Now as we look to the future, we pray for someone to come and serve as the vicar of our parish. Father, scripture reminds us that you have always called people into your service. We pray that you have already chosen the person who will be our new vicar. We pray that at the right time, prompted by your Spirit, that person will respond to the advertisement and be drawn to the parish to share with us, the challenges outlined in our Parish Profile. Father, we put our trust in you to send the right person to be our vicar and to lead us on to where you would have us be. This we pray in the name of Jesus our Lord and Saviour.

Amen



St Luke's Church

Teresa is looking to set up a Welcome Team to welcome people to the 9.30am Sunday service.

Full training on how to set up Church and the equipment will be provided.

Please come and offer to help us welcome people to our Church. Many thanks, Teresa

St Luke's Church

COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 12th September

10.00am -12.00pm



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

Morning Prayer

**Please note there will be no Morning Prayer until Tuesday 8th
September.**

**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 confirmed shortly.
Everyone Welcome.**



This weeks diary

Tue 8th	9.30am	Morning Prayer	Church
Wed 9th	10.00am	Holy Communion	St Luke's
	1.30pm	Place of Welcome	St Thomas'
	7.30pm	Bell Practice	St Luke's
Fri 11th	10.30am	Church Opening	St Luke's
Sat 12th	10.00am	Coffee Morning	St Luke's
	10.30am	Church Opening	St Luke's
Sun 13th	10.00am	Joint Service	St Lukes
	11.00am	Morning Prayer	St Saviours

Everyone Welcome

St Luke's Church Table Top Fayre

Saturday 3rd October 10.00am -2.30pm

Raising funds for St Luke's

Refreshments available

Requests for Bric a Brac—(no books) and
handbags, scarves etc.

More information to follow.

Future Services

St. Luke's

Tuesday 15th September

9.30am Morning Prayer

Wednesday 16th

10.00am Holy Communion

Sunday 20th September

9.30am Holy Communion

St Thomas'

11.00am Holy Communion

St Saviours

11am Holy Communion

We look forward to welcoming you



A free phone line of hymns,
reflections and prayers



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND



Faith in Later Life

CONNECTIONS