



Welcome to

St. Luke Formby Parish Church
Sunday 5th AUGUST 2018

OUR SERVICES TODAY

8.30am Holy Communion
10.30am Holy Communion



Bible Readings: Psalm 51: 1-13 & John 6: 24-35

*Read today by June Watchorn & Joan McDonald at 8.30am
and by Gwyneth Croft & Irene Powell at 10.30pm*

ALSO THIS WEEK:

Monday 8pm Meditation
Thursday 8.30am Morning Prayer



NEXT SUNDAY: 12th AUGUST

8.30am Holy Communion
10.30am Praise
6.30pm Holy Communion

Readers: Mary Williamson & Ron Johnson
Andrew & Jean Cox (6.30pm)

Sidespeople: Elizabeth Almond & Margaret McCoy
Colin & Margaret Cooke
Philip & Elizabeth Lowe (6.30pm)

Contact us: Vicar - Rev. Harvie Nicol
Wardens: Peter Griffin, Andrea Brown
Deputy Wardens - Ann Wood, Sheila Rodger
Web site: <http://www.stlukesformby.org.uk>
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**Hearing
Aid?
Switch to
the 'T'
position
during
services**

WELCOME EVERYONE - IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU



If you are visiting, please introduce yourself. Refreshments are served in the Meeting Room after the 10:30am service. Do join us for a chat.

Mondays 1:30 - 3pm Mums & Tots in the Meeting Room (term time)
We have several Bible Study Groups,
Alpha Groups and Uniformed Organisations.
Lifeboat Tea Room open on Fridays, Saturdays and Bank Holidays.
Please ask for more details about any of these.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Please email prayer requests to Philip.

PASTORAL CARE: If you know someone who needs a home or hospital visit, please contact Ann Wood or Maggie Elkington.

GIVING BY PHONE: To support the work here at St. Luke's, text PEWS55 £5 to 70070. Other amounts may be given, just change £5 to the amount you wish to donate.

SOUP KITCHEN: There is a box at the back of church for donations of tinned and packet foods.

LIFEBOAT TEA ROOM: Our Tea Room is open each Friday, Saturday and Bank Holiday Monday from 11am to 4pm. We serve delicious soup, freshly made sandwiches, salads, cakes and drinks so come along and bring your friends too.



BIBLE READING: Bishop Paul is encouraging us all to read the Gospel of Mark during the summer holidays. Perhaps three chapters each week? He also has some helpful and practical suggestions. Look up the following link to learn more:



http://www.liverpool.anglican.org/Join-Bishop-Paul-in-his-challenge-to---Read-Mark---this-Summer?mc_cid=5bea56f084&mc_eid=c09beb3f9f

Toilets (and baby changing facilities in disabled toilet) are available in the Meeting Room which is open during the services.

First Aid Boxes are located in the Choir Vestry & Meeting Room Kitchen



DIARY DATES:-

**Meetings recommencing
after the summer break**

CRAFTY FOLK : SATURDAY **1st OCTOBER**

LUNCH : TUESDAY 4th SEPTEMBER

WOODLAND WORKSHOP: SATURDAY 8th SEPTEMBER

PARISH BREAKFAST: SUNDAY 16th SEPTEMBER

HALF HOUR OF PRAYER: SUNDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER

**Happy
Holidays!**

HOLIDAY AT HOME: From 19th August to 1st September. If you haven't already done so, do pick up a leaflet either in church or in the village. There is a great variety of activities planned for anyone not going away this summer but booking is essential for some of them.



WEDNESDAY 22nd AUGUST - As part of Holiday at Home St Luke's is holding a **Tea Dance in the Parish Hall between 1.30pm and 3.30pm.** Sally would be grateful for some help with the refreshments so if you are available to help, please let her know.

SATURDAY 1st SEPTEMBER: GRAND CONCERT

here at St. Luke's starting at 7.30pm. Aughton Male Voice Choir will be joined by guests Millhouse Green Male Voice Choir from Yorkshire to provide us with a varied programme of music and song. Tickets, priced £7 (which includes refreshments) are available from Shyira trustees. **All proceeds will go to the completion of the church and community project in Butaka, Rwanda.**



THE NEXT NEWS SHEET will be for Sunday 12th August and contributions should be notified by email to **IRENE** to arrive no later than Tuesday 7th August

PLEASE PRAY FOR:-

Our own church and those who perhaps will feel especially lonely during the summer when friends and family may be away. Pray for opportunities to visit, help and encourage one another.

Our world and all those suffering through conflict or poverty.

The ministry and members of St. Mark's, Shyira and also at Butaka. Pray that this new church will soon be completed.

All who mourn that they find comfort and strength in God's love.

Those who are facing long term health problems.

Those on our email prayer chain and in our book of healing including Brian Rimmer badly injured in a motorcycle accident.

Those in residential or nursing homes especially those from our own congregation and their families at home.

The housebound, elderly, and all who care for them.

Those living in:-

Maple Close Mayfield Avenue Mayfield Close Meldreth Close
Mere Road Milford Close Orwell Close

THE IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER:



Last Sunday Harvie told us that he was preparing to have a month of extensive prayer and encouraged us all to join him. Why is it so important? If we look at Jesus' ministry we read that He found prayer really essential. In Mark 1:35 we're told He got up early to pray. Matthew 14: 23 tells us of the time he told the people to go home so that He could go away and pray and of course the night He was betrayed He spent praying in the Garden of Gethsemane. He also prayed as He performed His miracles. If it was important to Him, surely it must be important for us. Our church here at St. Luke's needs our prayers, not just for those who are sick, but for guidance to know the way forward and how to reach out to those in our community. Will we be "fervent in prayer?" God is waiting.

St. Luke's verse for 2018

"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way
you will fulfil the law of Christ." Galatians 6: 2