Welcome to

St. Luke Formby Parish Church SUNDAY 29th APRIL 2018





OUR SERVICES TODAY:

8.30am Holy Communion 10.30am Holy Communion

Bible Readings: Acts 8: 26 to end & John 15: 1-8

Read today by Elizabeth Almond & John Nelson at 8.30am and by Ken Davies & Sally Nicol at 10.30am

ALSO THIS WEEK:

Monday 8pm Meditation
Thursday 8.30am Morning Prayer
9.15am Holy Communion

NEXT SUNDAY: 6th MAY

8.30am Holy Communion 10.30am Holy Communion

Readers: Ron Johnson & Pauline Mulford

Alan & Irene Powell

Sidespeople: Elizabeth Almond & Margaret McCoy

John & Rhona Heron

Contact us: Vicar - Rev. Harvie Nicol Wardens: Sheila Rodger and Peter Griffin Deputy Wardens - John McGibbon, Ann Wood Web site: http://www.stlukesformby.org.uk

Face book: https://www.facebook.com/StLukesChurchFormby

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.

WALK IN AID OF LENT PROJECTS: Peter Griffin will be leading the second of his interesting and informative walks and the subject is:-

ASPARAGUS GROWING IN FORMBY.
HOW? WHY? WHO?
AN INSIGHT INTO VICTORIAN INVENTIVENESS
The walk will take place **WEDNESDAY 9th MAY**



Starting from St. Luke's churchyard at 10am and finishing at Freshfield station it will cover a distance of approximately two miles. Further details from Peter. Donations will go to our two Lent projects in Butaka, Rwanda and Concepcion in Paraguay.

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

LONDON MARATHON: Vicki successfully completed the marathon and Sheila thanks everyone who sponsored her to raise money for CRY (Cardac Risk in the Young).





LIFEBOAT TEAROOM Spread the word and come along to enjoy freshly made sandwiches, soups, cakes and drinks all served with a smile! We are now open from 11am to 4pm each Friday, Saturday and Bank Holiday until the end of August.

TUESDAY 1st MAY - LUNCH. Fed up eating alone? Why not come to the meeting room at 12 o'clock and enjoy soup, sandwiches and good company. Everyone welcome.





SATURDAY 5th MAY - CRAFTY FOLK. If you'd like to spend a couple of hours doing your favourite craft with likeminded and friendly people, come along to the meeting room at 10am. A warm welcome and a cuppa awaits.

ALSO ON SATURDAY 5th MAY: Everyone is invited to the installation of Rev. Dr. Sue Jones as the 8th Dean of Liverpool Cathedral. The service begins at 3pm, tickets not required but you are advised to arrive in good time.

SATURDAY 12th MAY - WOODLAND WORKSHOP: Come and join Bob and his band of "merry helpers" from 9am. There is always plenty to do but please come wearing strong shoes and gloves.



SUNDAY 20th MAY - PARISH BREAKFAST: Everyone welcome to join us for a light breakfast at 9.30am in the meeting room but to help with catering, please add your name to the list at the back of church if you plan to come along.

THE NEXT NEWS SHEET will be for Sunday 6th May and contributions should be notified by email to **Philip**

to arrive no later than Tuesday 1st May

PLEASE NOTE CHANGES

PLEASE PRAY FOR:-

Our own church and those recently appointed to positions of office.

Our world and all those suffering through conflicts and poverty.

The ministry and members of St. Mark's, Shyira and St. Peter's, Formby.

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.

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:-

Georgian Place Grasmere Road Greenloons Drive Greenloons Walk Grisedale Close Hadstock Avenue Hazelhurst Close Heydon Close

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN WE PRAY?

Have you ever felt as though you are praying into a vacuum, that your prayers are going no further than the ceiling? I think if we are honest, we can all recall such times, so perhaps it's worth remembering the following things about prayer:

Sometimes when we pray God gives us immediate answers.

Sometimes when we pray, as an answer, God gives us His peace.

Sometimes when we pray, as an answer, God gives us His strength.

His answers may not always be what we want but they will always be what we need in every circumstance.

Trust Him. He knows best!

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