

Welcome to St Luke's

21st December 2025 – 4th Sunday of Advent (Year A)

Today

Sung Mass: 10.15am

Principal Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Peter Jackson SSC

Readings:

1st Reading: Isaiah 7:10-14

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 24:1-6 **R.** cf. v.6

R. Let the Lord enter; he is the King of glory.

2nd Reading: Romans 1:1-7

Gospel: Matthew 1:18-24

Hymnody (NEH)

Introit: 388 **Offertory:** 485

Gradual: 476 **Communion:** 307

Recessional: 463

Church cleaning & tidying after Mass, in preparation for Christmas. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Evening Prayer: 5pm, in the Crypt

Contact Information

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Fr Peter's usual day off is Monday.

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Please contact Fr Peter regarding Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals, house or business blessings, confession, last rites and anointing, receiving Holy Communion at home or in hospital; and any other enquiries.

Food Bank – The Hope Centre

Please consider what you can give to help those who will be struggling in the run-up to Christmas. Donations may be left in the box at the back of church. Thank-you for your kindness and generosity.

Walsingham Pilgrimage 2026

Next year's pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham will take place from **Monday 28th September to Thursday 1st October**, together with our brothers & sisters from St Anne's. The pilgrimage will cost approx. £300, inclusive of all meals from Monday tea until Thursday lunch. To reserve a place, a non-refundable deposit of £40 is required. Please speak to Fr Peter if interested in taking part in the pilgrimage.

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Future Services & Events

Please see reverse for this week's services & events. There will be a reduced schedule in the week after Christmas, as Fr Peter will be taking a week's holiday.

Family Crib and Carol Service

3pm, Christmas Eve, in Church

Everybody welcome! Children invited to come dressed-up as their favourite Nativity character. Followed by cookies and hot chocolate for all.

Midnight Mass (with blessing of the Crib)

11pm, Christmas Eve, in Church

Dawn Mass (in traditional language)

8am, Christmas Day, in the Crypt

Sung Festal Mass for the Nativity of the Lord

10.15am, Christmas Day, in Church

Mass for the Feast of St Stephen, Protomartyr

11.15am, Boxing Day, in the Crypt

Mass for the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord

7pm, Tuesday 6th January, at St Anne's

Sung Festal Mass with our brethren from St Anne's.

Mass for the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

10.15am, Sunday 11th January, in Church

Sung Festal Mass with blessing & sprinkling of water

School Christmas Services

Thank-you to all who helped welcome and support the children from two of our local primary schools, Bishop Lonsdale and Firs, as they came to St Luke's for their Christmas Carol & Christingle services in recent weeks.

Friends' Draw

Congratulations to December's prize winners!

- 1st prize – £35 – Derek Seale
- 2nd prize – £25 – Tania Sanders
- 3rd prize – £20 – Martin Rawson

Oswestry Festivals 2026

Bishop Paul is encouraging us to deepen our witness to the Catholic life of the Church, and to strengthen one another by gathering together. Please make every effort to attend at least one of the Oswestry Festivals in 2026: **Chrism Festival**, Mon 30th March, Lichfield Cathedral **St Chad's Pilgrimage**, Sat 4th July, Lichfield Cathedral **Regional Festival**, Sat 26th September, location TBC.

The Parish Church of St Luke the Beloved Physician Parliament Street, Derby, DE22 3RT
Services & Events Rota: Sunday 21st December 2025 – Tuesday 6th January 2026

Date & Observance*	Time	Service or Event	Location	Notes
SUNDAY 21ST DECEMBER 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (O Rex Gentium)	10.15	Sung Mass	Church	<i>followed by church cleaning</i>
	17.00	Evening Prayer	Crypt	
Monday 22 nd December <i>Advent Feria (O Emmanuel)</i>	No services – prayers offered at home			
Tuesday 23 rd December <i>Advent Feria (O Virgo Virginum)</i>	17.00	Evening Prayer	Crypt	
	17.20	Eucharistic Adoration		<i>until 17.50</i>
	18.00	Mass		
	19.00	Christmas Carol Service	St Anne's	<i>Traditional Nine Lessons & Carols</i>
Wednesday 24 th December <i>Advent Feria (Christmas Eve)</i>	08.45	Morning Prayer	Crypt	
	09.15	Mass		<i>of Christmas Eve</i>
	15.00	Family Crib & Carol Service	Church	
	23.00	Midnight Mass		<i>with blessing of Crib</i>
THURSDAY 25TH DECEMBER THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS DAY)	08.00	Dawn Mass	Crypt	<i>in traditional language</i>
	10.15	Sung Festal Mass	Church	
Friday 26 th December S. Stephen, Protomartyr	11.15	Mass	Crypt	
Saturday 27 th December S. John the Apostle & Evangelist	No services – prayers offered at home			
SUNDAY 28TH DECEMBER THE HOLY FAMILY	10.15	Sung Festal Mass	Church	
Monday 29 th December S. Thomas Becket	No services – prayers offered at home			
Tuesday 30 th December in the Octave of Christmas	No services – prayers offered at home			
Wednesday 31 st December in the Octave of Christmas	12.00	Mass	St Anne's	
	No services at St Luke's – prayers offered at home			
THURSDAY 1ST JANUARY 2026 MARY, MOTHER OF GOD	No services – prayers offered at home			
Friday 2 nd January Ss. Basil & Gregory Nazianzen	11.15	Mass	Crypt	
Saturday 3 rd January <i>Feria</i>	No services – prayers offered at home			
SUNDAY 4TH JANUARY 2ND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS	10.15	Sung Mass	Church	
	12.45	Free Parish Lunch (t.b.c.)	St Anne's	<i>in St Anne's Church Hall</i>
Monday 5 th January <i>Feria</i>	No services – prayers offered at home			
TUESDAY 6TH JANUARY THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	19.00	Sung Festal Mass	St Anne's	

* Key to Observances: (Optional Memorial), Memorial, **Feast**, **SOLEMNITY**.

† The 1st available *Feria* is kept in remembrance of the Faithful Departed, and the 1st Friday in Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

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