



## St Luke's Church, Bricket Wood

### Notices for Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2026

#### *WELCOME to ST LUKE'S!*

We hope you will feel at home, but please ask us if there is anything that is unclear or unfamiliar.

Toilets (with baby changing facilities) may be found in the hallway.  
An Induction Loop is installed, please set your hearing aid to the "T" position.  
The Sunday service can be watched at any time on YouTube from 10.00 am.

Available via our YouTube page:  
<https://youtube.com/@stlukesbricketwood/streams>

#### Today and looking ahead:

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> 10.00 am – Holy Communion in St Luke's**

Preacher: The Revd Zoe Mathias

Theme: Rule of Life Series 4: Retreat

Reading: Matthew 3.13-4.11

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> 10.00 am – Morning Prayer in St Luke's**

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> 10.00 am – Morning Worship in St Luke's**

Preacher: The Revd Helen Neville

Theme: Rule of Life Series 5: Service and Generosity

Reading: Matthew 6.19-24 & 2 Corinthians 8.1-15



St Luke's is dependent on the generosity of those who give their time, money and energy to make our work possible, to maintain our building and reach out to the wider community with the love of God. If you'd like to give financially to support St Luke's, our work in the community or the maintenance of our buildings then your kindness would be gratefully received. Please click [here](#), use the QR code provided.

# NOTICES

## Installation of Bishop Andrew

On Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 2.00 pm St Albans Cathedral will host the installation of The Rt Revd Dr Andrew Rumsey as the 11<sup>th</sup> Bishop of St Albans. General tickets are now available to book via the Cathedral website, here:

<https://www.stalbanscathedral.org/Event/installation-of-the-11th-bishop-of-st-albans>

While there is no charge, capacity is limited and tickets are required. Please join in prayer for Bishop Andrew, his wife Rebecca and their family as they prepare for this new chapter of ministry.

Join us this September for a community coffee morning in St Luke's.  
There will be lots of cake, coffee and company, everyone welcome:

**Take a Break Coffee Morning**  
**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 10.30 am and 12.00 noon**

Helen will be running an **Alpha Course** exploring the basics of the Christian faith. Through engaging videos, short talks, and relaxed small-group discussions, Alpha provides a welcoming space where everyone is free to ask questions, share their thoughts, and explore life's big questions—without any pressure or expectation. The course is ideal for anyone who is curious about God, faith, or the meaning of life.

The course begins on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, at 7.30 pm**; venue to be confirmed. We are looking for volunteers to help cook meals for Alpha, if you are willing to lend a hand with this or are interested in coming along or would simply like to find out more, please let Helen or the Church Office know.



Bring the whole family and invite your friends along to Messy Church this September, as we celebrate all the good things God gives us. There'll be lots of activities, story and refreshments and plenty of Harvest fun – and best of all, it's completely FREE! We'd love to see you!

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September**  
**3.30 to 5.00 pm**

**Harvest Festival** this year we will celebrated on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September during Holy Communion at 10.00 am. Gifts of food and toiletries will be shared between **New Hope** and **The Food Bank**. Please ensure that all donated items are within their expiry date and unopened. The annual tradition of the Bishop's Harvest Appeal will be paused this year while the Diocese awaits the arrival of Bishop Andrew later this autumn. Monetary donations will instead be shared between New Hope and The Food Bank. If you would like to make a financial contribution, please place your donation in a clearly marked envelope and hand it to the church office. Thank you for your generosity and support.

**Senior Citizens Harvest Service & Tea** on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 2.00 pm. If you can come along and help, offer to provide sandwiches or cake on the day, this will be greatly appreciated. Please let Lynne Herbert know, thank you.



Investigations are currently underway to determine the best way forward for renewing the heating system. This is likely to be a lengthy process and we anticipate that works to replace the old system will be costly.

To help raise much needed funds towards this future work, St Luke's will be holding a **Quiz Night** on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October in the Church Hall. Tickets are available now from the Church Office (01923 676401 / [office@st-lukes.org.uk](mailto:office@st-lukes.org.uk)) at £7 per person. Tables can accommodate a maximum of 8 people, so gather your friends and join us for a fun evening of quizzing, spot prizes and a raffle!

As the quiz takes place around Harvest time, we will also be collecting donations for the **local Foodbank**. Please give generously to help support those in our local community who may be in need. We look forward to seeing you there!

We'd love to add a few **new toys** to our play area at the back of the church as some of the toys for the children to play with are looking a bit tired. We'd be grateful for:

- A few Brio type trains and some Brio wooden track
- Small cars and small tractors
- Baby toys (not too big and washable, please)
- A small amount of Lego and a baseboard (ordinary ones rather than ones that make a certain vehicle or object)
- Pots of unused play dough and cutters
- A pencil sharpener that collects the bits

We don't require loads just a few bits and pieces would be lovely. Please pass to the Church office or Jane Walker-Smith if you can help in anyway, thank you.

## PRAYERS

**Malcolm Day** died peacefully on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> August after a period of illness; Eileen thanks everyone for their prayers during this time. Details for Malcolm's funeral to follow. Please pray for Eileen and all their friends and family as they grieve.

The funeral for the late **Alan Patrick Kitchen** will take place in St Luke's on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August at 11.30 am followed by burial at London Road Cemetery at 1.00 pm. Please pray for his family and friends as they grieve.

**For those who are ill or in need:**

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| Pat Cowell         | Susan Hogg      |
| Rachel Quarterman  | Matthew Snell   |
| Christine Thackham | Jonathan Veness |

**For all those who live and work in:**

Hancross; Handley Gate; Hornbeams;  
Hunters Ride including Victor Smith Court;  
Hyburn Close

**For our Mission Partner:**

**Step** [www.stepschoolswork.org.uk](http://www.stepschoolswork.org.uk)

### The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

God of glory,  
the end of our searching,  
help us to lay aside  
all that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,  
and to give all that we have  
to gain the pearl beyond all price,  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen

## CONTACT

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This notice sheet is available in large print at the back of Church.

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**Day off:** Friday

*Should you need the ministry of a priest  
please contact Helen directly at any time.*

### Church Office:

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### Office Hours:

Tuesday: 1.00 to 5.00 pm

Wednesday: 8.30 am to 12.30 pm

Thursday: 8.30 am to 12.30 pm

*Please contact the office if you have an enquiry. The answerphone and email are checked regularly. Please be patient if you do not receive an immediate reply.*

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