



South Wye Benefice Newsletter

St. Luke the Evangelist

18th October 2026

Please welcome Bishop David Thomson who is leading the services at St. Martin's and St. Peter's this week.

South Wye Services and Events week beginning 18th October

Sunday 18th	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Martin's
	11.15am	Holy Communion at St. Peter's
Tuesday 20th	1pm	Bible Study in the Narthex
	2pm	Tuesday Coffee in the Narthex
	5pm	Twilight Service in St. Martin's

Just a little reminder that the clocks change on the 24th. You will gain an hour of sleep, if you are lucky!

Parish Breakfast at St Martin's

A new regular feature bringing together folk after our Communion service.

Thanks to all who help bring this together. One of our many fund raising events in the parish.

The next one is one Sunday 25th October 2026, following the Sunday service



For our Prayers

Those who are ill or in need of your prayers, including:

Brenda Baylis	Maureen Gerard	Kieran	Dawn & Phil A
Pam KW	Duncan KW	Pat D	James
Sue Ranyard	Julie	Kath	Norman

Those who have died and those who mourn their loss:

Irene Mussell..	Tony	Elizabeth	'Charlie'
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Collect for St. Luke the Evangelist

Almighty God,
you called Luke the physician,
whose praise is in the gospel,
to be an evangelist and physician of the soul:
by the grace of the Spirit
and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel,
give your Church the same love and power to heal;
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 Collect

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.

Readings for St. Luke the Evangelist

Isaiah 35:3–6

³ Strengthen the weak hands,
and make firm the feeble knees.
⁴ Say to those who are of a fearful heart,
'Be strong, do not fear!
Here is your God.
He will come with vengeance,
with terrible recompense.
He will come and save you.'
⁵ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
⁶ then the lame shall leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.
For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;

Psalms 147:1–7

Praise for God's Care for Jerusalem

¹ Praise the Lord!
How good it is to sing praises to our God;
for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.
² The Lord builds up Jerusalem;
he gathers the outcasts of Israel.
³ He heals the broken-hearted,
and binds up their wounds.
⁴ He determines the number of the stars;

he gives to all of them their names.
⁵ Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;
his understanding is beyond measure.
⁶ The Lord lifts up the downtrodden;
he casts the wicked to the ground.
⁷ Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;
make melody to our God on the lyre.

2 Timothy 4:5–17

⁵ As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.
⁶ As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Personal Instructions

⁹ Do your best to come to me soon, ¹⁰ for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. ¹¹ Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. ¹² I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus.
¹³ When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. ¹⁴ Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds.
¹⁵ You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message.
¹⁶ At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! ¹⁷ But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

Luke 10:1–9

The Mission of the Seventy

¹⁰ After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ² He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. ³ Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" ⁶ And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. ⁸ Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; ⁹ cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you."