

Christ and St John with St Luke, Isle of Dogs **20th June 2010 – Third Sunday after Trinity**

9.30a.m Mass at St Luke's Church. The president and preacher will be Fr Tom Pyke.

11.00a.m Parish Mass at Christ Church. The president and preacher will be Rev Amanda Keighley.

6.30p.m Evening Worship at Christ Church. The service will be led by James Hughesdon.

Opening Hymn: 368 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

Collect

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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.

First Reading: Isaiah 65.1-9

I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, "Here I am, here I am," to a nation that did not call on my name. I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. Thus says the LORD: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it," so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

Psalm: Psalm 22.19-28

Be not far away from me, O LORD;
you are my strength; hasten to help me.
Deliver my soul from the sword,
my poor life from the power of the dog.
Save me from the lion's mouth,
from the horns of the wild oxen.
You have answered me! R

I will tell of your name to my people;
in the midst of the congregation will I
praise you.

Praise the LORD, you that fear him;
O seed of Jacob, glorify him;
stand in awe of him, O seed of Israel. R

For he has not despised or abhorred
the suffering of the poor;
neither has he hidden his face from
them;
but when they cried to him he heard
them.

From you comes my praise in the great
congregation;

I will perform my vows
in the presence of those that fear you. R

The poor shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek the LORD shall praise
him;

their hearts shall live for ever.

All the ends of the earth
shall remember and turn to the LORD,
and all the families of the nations shall
bow before him.

For the kingdom is the LORD's
and he rules over the nations. R



Be not far from me, O Lord.

Second Reading: Galatians 3.23-end

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Gospel: Luke 8.26-39

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" - for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Offertory Hymn: 486 We have a gospel to proclaim

Communion Hymn: 282 Faithful Shepherd, feed me

Closing Hymn: 375 I danced in the morning

This Week's Prayer List

A Prayer for our Community: Almighty God, Your human family is so rich and varied - truly a rainbow people who seek you and serve you in their different ways. We pray for our Tower Hamlets' community, that difference of ethnicity, culture and religion may be valued, respected and defended against ignorance and suspicion. Grant all your children repentance and the freedom from fear that comes from living by your commandments in the presence of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen

Please pray for the Sick: Samantha McTasney, Frances Keighley, Lucille Williams, Sarah & Michael Parsons, Larry Thompson, Iris Shepard, Wayne Jacobs, Bernice Herbert, Joyce Thomas, Ishia Osborne, Fred and Joan Tyrrell, Philip Mason, Margaret, Christopher, Mervyn Mochee-Roy Kenny, Lyle Dennen

Please pray for those who have died recently: James Hawkins

In Memoriam for June: George Allstrom, William Balzar, Eliza Batten, John Cornish, Harriet Dupres, Harriet Gallagher, Dorothy Griffin, Sam Jones, William Kilgour, Mabel Lander, Maureen Lechley, Mary Lee, Hett Long, Ted Long, Edith Squires, Lucy Wisewell, Thomas Wisewell

Next Sunday: Fourth Sunday after Trinity

9.30a.m Mass at St Luke's Church. The president will be Fr Tom Pyke and the preacher will be Hilary Elliott.

11.00a.m Parish Mass at Christ Church. The president will be Fr Tom Pyke and the preacher will be Hilary Elliott.

6.30p.m Evening Worship at Christ Church. The service will be led by Luise Parsons.

Please pray for all the lay persons who will help with these services: Sylvester Small, Olive Joseph, Jean Gamble, Carolynne McGaughey, Stephanie Turner, Mandy Lashame, Jacob Koshy, James & Gine Somerton, Anna Moffatt, Buky Rufai, Bill Chesshyre, Martin & Lesley Young, Pamela Hulme & the Choir.

We are publishing the details of the weekly offering in the Service Sheet to raise awareness of the Parish's poor financial situation. In 2009, the parish's costs exceeded our income by £27,590 leaving us with just £19,549 in reserves. In this Parish we promote the church's challenge to our congregations to contribute a minimum of 5% of their after-tax income to and through the parish in gratitude to God's generosity to us and we ask that if this is your regular place of worship, you would support us through Planned Giving rather than the offering plate. Planned Giving packs are available at both churches. The Cost of Ministry figure is included as it is our major item of expenditure and we look to meet this with the offering from Planned Giving.

January to May

Cost of Ministry = £21,044.00

Planned Giving = £17,320.37

Loose Plate Offering = £3,180.71

Total = £20,501.08

Last Week's Offering

Cost of Ministry = £1,052.00

Planned Giving = £1,081.00

Loose Plate Offering = £166.33

Total = £1,247.33

Notices

This Week

Monday	10.30a.m	School Mass	St Luke's School
	6.30p.m	Cryptics Club	Christ Church Crypt
Tuesday	7.00p.m	Towards the new St Luke's	9 Landoverly House
Wednesday	7.15p.m	Mass	Christ Church
Thursday	8.00p.m	Choir Practice	Christ Church
Friday	9.30a.m	Toy Library	Parish Room
Saturday	7.30p.m	LDS Concert	Christ Church

- Bishop Stephen and Archdeacon Lyle. The farewell service for these two friends will be on Tuesday 6th July at 7.30p.m at St John at Hackney. There will be a retiring collection over the next 3 Sundays for them. Also, we have been invited to put together a sheet of A4 scrap book for them. It would be good to gather ideas of what could go in such a small space (thumbnail photographs, personal messages etc). If there is anyone who would relish the challenge of putting this together in the next week could they volunteer to the vicar please.
- Act of Witness against the English Defence League. The English Defence League are planning a march today so the Area Dean is asking us to assemble at Stepney Green Park following this morning's services as an act of witness to support the Islamic community and celebrate our communities' diversity. A minibus will be leaving Christ Church at 12.45.
- Towards the new St Luke's. The weekly prayer and fellowship meeting resumes this week at Stephanie Turner's home. For those who don't know, Llandoverly House is in Chipka Street. All are most welcome and we are specially looking for participation from members of the Christ Church congregation.
- Fabric Team. The wardens are looking for people who could give a couple of hours a month to help with the up-keep of the churches. Speak to Bill or James for more information.
- Summer Raffle. The Raffle tickets for the Summer Fete's Prize Draw are selling well but we have 1,000 books to sell. As soon as you have sold your books, please return the stubs and the money then ask for some more. Barclays Capital have agreed to match part of our takings on the raffle, so let's make it the best ever.

- Summer Fete. To avoid clashes with the World Cup the Summer Fete will be one week later than is usual, on Sunday 18th July. We need folk now to choose which stalls they would like to run. There are lists in both churches and there is room for new ideas. This is an ideal event for those new to the parish to get involved so please sign up.
- Flower Fund. One way that you can help with the costs of our Sunday services at Christ Church is to make a donation of £50 towards the floral decorations on a particular Sunday in celebration of an anniversary or in memory of the passing of loved one. Please speak to Bimala for more information.
- The Loop Survey. Our Parish Newsletter has been up and running for about a year in its current format and we want to know what you think about it. Please return your survey form as soon as possible.
- Disused Mobile Phones. The Social Justice & Environment Group is collecting disused mobile phones to raise money for the Parish. Please leave your old (but still working) mobile phones in the collection box in the Parish Office or give it to a SJ&E group member (Andrew Warner, Caz Hughesdon, Suzanne Kenner).
- Our Weekly Notice Sheets are now available for download from our own web-site. If you are not able to attend on a Sunday, you can keep up to date with the notices by visiting www.parishiod.org.uk and follow the 'Notice Sheet' link.

As you leave, please respect our churches and show consideration to the people who keep them tidy by replacing the kneelers as you found them and taking this Notice Sheet with you. Thank You.



We have an induction loop fitted at Christ Church, please use 'T' position on your hearing aid.

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