

**Christ and St John with St Luke, Isle of Dogs**  
**15th August 2010 – Eleventh Sunday after Trinity**

**9.30a.m Mass at St Luke's Church.** The president and preacher will be Fr Peter Turner.

**11.00a.m Parish Mass at Christ Church.** The president and preacher will be Fr Peter Turner.

1.20p.m Wedding at Christ Church.

**Opening Hymn: 393 Lead us heavenly Father, lead us**

**Collect**

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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: Hebrews 11.29-12.2**

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets - who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented - of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that

was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

**Gospel: Luke 12.49-56**

Jesus said to his disciples, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

**Offertory Hymn: 376 I heard the voice of Jesus say**

**Communion Hymn: 357 Father hear the prayer we offer**

**Closing Hymn: 436 Praise my soul, the King of heaven**

**This Week's Prayer List**

**Please pray for the Sick:** Samantha McTasney, Lucille Williams, Sarah & Michael Parsons, Iris Shepard, Wayne Jacobs, Bernice Herbert, Joyce Thomas, Ishia Osborne, Fred and Joan Tyrrell, Philip Mason, , Christopher and Sandra, Mervyn Mochee-Roy Kenny, Lisa, Daphne Thomas

**Please pray for those who have died recently:** Edmundo Nunes, Maragret, Mary Miller

**In Memoriam for August:** Ernest Bennett, William Brazier, Joseph Gallacher, Gladys Horlick, Donald Merrick, Louis Simkin, Margaret Smith, Reg Trott, Florence Yule, William Yule

# Notices

## This Week

Wednesday **7.15p.m** **Mass** **Christ Church**  
8.00p.m Back to Church Sunday Team Parish Room

- Pakistan Floods. Following this morning's service, we will be taking a Retiring Collection for the relief work in Pakistan following the floods. The parish will match all donations through it's '£ for a £' scheme. If you are a tax-payer, please put your donation in a Gift-Aid envelope as that will increase the amount we raise.
- Back to Church Sunday. Back to Church Sunday is 12th September. Now is the time to start thinking about how you can get involved; by being part of the organising committee, by inviting friends and family to help them reconnect with church and by praying for the events of that weekend. The organising team will be meeting this Wednesday at 8p.m in the Parish Room. For more information or to get involved, please speak to James Hughesdon.
- Harvest Challenge. The vicar would like to have two traditional harvest loaves (sheaf shaped) made for the harvest festival at Christ Church and St Luke's on October 3rd. He has a pattern and some instructions and it looks easier than it sounds.

## Next Sunday: Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

**9.30a.m Mass at St Luke's Church.** The president and preacher will be Fr Peter Turner.

**11.00a.m Parish Mass at Christ Church.** The president and preacher will be Fr Peter Turner.

**Please pray for all the lay persons who will help with these services:** David Longbottom, Hilary Elliott, Genevieve St George, Laureen Katiyo, Buky Rufai, Jane Buhari, Joan Rock, James Hughesdon, 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 July**

Cost of Ministry = £29,460.00

Planned Giving = £25,104.54

Loose Plate Offering = £4,169.04

Total = £29,273.58

### **Last Week's Offering**

Cost of Ministry = £841.60

Planned Giving = £725.68

Loose Plate Offering = £124.43

Total = £850.11

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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