



# Welcome

St. Luke Formby Parish Church  
**SUNDAY 19th NOVEMBER 2017**

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## OUR SERVICES TODAY

8:30am Holy Communion  
10.30am Holy Communion



Bible Readings: 1 Thess. 5: 1-11 & Matt. 25: 14-30

*Read today by Joan MacDonald & Mary Williamson at 8.30am  
and by Ken Davies & June McGibbon at 6.30pm*

## ALSO THIS WEEK

Monday at 8.00pm Meditation  
Thursday at 8.30am Morning Prayer



## NEXT SUNDAY 26th NOVEMBER:

8.30am Holy Communion  
10.30am Baptism

Readers: John Nelson & Pauline Mulford  
Irene & Alan Powell

Sidespeople: Elizabeth Almond & Margaret McCoy  
Alan & Irene Powell

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**Contact us:** Vicar - Rev. Harvie Nicol  
Wardens: Sheila Rodger and Peter Griffin  
Deputy Wardens - John McGibbon, Ann Wood  
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## WELCOME EVERYONE - IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU

If you are visiting, please introduce yourself. Refreshments are served in the Meeting Room after the 10:30am service. Do join us for a chat.

Mondays 1:30 - 3pm Mums & Tots in the Meeting Room  
We have several Bible Study Groups,  
Alpha Group and Uniformed Organisations.

Please ask for more details about any of these.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Please email prayer requests to Philip.

**PASTORAL CARE:** If you know someone who needs a home or hospital visit, please contact Ann Wood or Maggie Elkington.

**GIVING BY PHONE:** To support the work here at St. Luke's, text PEWS55 £5 to 70070. Other amounts may be given, just change £5 to the amount you wish to donate.

**SOUP KITCHEN:** Please continue to put donated food in the box at the back of church including special items to be included in Christmas hampers e.g. chocolates, shortbread, mince pies, tins of nuts (all in date to end of year) soap, dark coloured hats, gloves and scarves.

### **ST. LUKE'S/RANGE HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR:**

These will be on sale from now until the end of December. Produced as a joint venture between ourselves and the school these popular calendars with beautiful photographs cost £5 each. The profits will be shared equally between the two chosen charities, namely, The Shyira Trust and Teenage Cancer Trust.



**A NEW SHYIRA GIFT CATALOGUE:** This is now available at the back of church. It has been rewritten to take account of the changing and improving situation in Shyira so that people over a wider area will benefit. Do pick up a copy and consider using it for alternative Christmas presents.

Toilets (and baby changing facilities in disabled toilet) are available in the Meeting Room which is open during the services.

First Aid Boxes are located in the Choir Vestry & Meeting Room Kitchen

**TUESDAY 21st. NOVEMBER: LUNCH.** All are welcome to join us in the meeting room at 12 o'clock for a lunch of soup, sandwiches and cakes.



**SATURDAY 25th NOVEMBER: OPEN DOORS COFFEE TIME:** Do join us in the meeting room from 10am to noon for drinks, cakes and a chat. *If you would like to help by baking a cake, please call IRENE on 620430 before Thursday.*

**CHANGE OF DATE - PLEASE NOTE THE NEXT LIGHT BREAKFAST WILL BE NEXT SUNDAY 26th NOVEMBER** (Every one welcome at 9.30am. To assist with catering, please add your name today to the list at the back of church if you plan to come.



**ALSO ON SUNDAY 26th NOVEMBER - PRAYER HALF HOUR:** All are invited to come and join in a time of prayer in church from 7.30pm to 8pm. Just a short time but our prayers can make such a big difference.



## **FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

**SATURDAY 2nd DECEMBER:** At this open doors coffee morning the craft group will be selling Christmas items so please make a note in your diary and come along. You may pick up some unusual Christmas gifts or decorations.



**SATURDAY 9th DECEMBER:**

### **LET'S TALK ABOUT CHRISTMAS MEMORIES.**



Come and join us in the meeting room from 11am to 1pm as we talk about our memories of past Christmases and enjoy singing some Christmas songs together. This will be a great morning, especially for those living with dementia. Further details from Sally

THE NEXT NEWS SHEET will be for 26th NOVEMBER.  
Please send contributions by email to **Irene Powell** no later than  
Tuesday 21st. November.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:-

Our own church and the many who work “behind the scenes” in cleaning, maintenance and supporting roles.

Our world and all those suffering through conflicts and disasters.

The ministry and members of St. Anne’s Formby and St. Mark’s, Shyira.

All who mourn especially Beryl, Jude, Geoffrey and family. May they know God’s love, comfort, and peace. Charlie’s funeral will take place here at St. Luke’s tomorrow at 12noon.

Those who are facing long term health problems.

Those on our email prayer chain and in our book of healing.

Those in residential or nursing homes especially those from our own congregation and their families at home.

The housebound, elderly, and all who care for them.

Those living in:-

Pinewood Avenue Pinewood Close Queens Croft Queens Road  
Rostron Crescent Sandhurst Close Sealand Avenue Sealand Cl.



## SPOTLIGHT ON MYANMAR

There has been a great deal of reporting about recent events in Myanmar and especially the plight of the Rohingya people. Some of those reports have been a little conflicting. Despite that, video footage of almost one million people forced to flee Myanmar and settle in the vastly overcrowded refugee camp in Bangladesh is indisputable. The people have almost no fresh water or sanitation. Disease and malnutrition are rife. Back in Myanmar the Rohingya people were treated as stateless with restricted freedom, little medical care or education. There have been reports of ethnic cleansing, horrendous massacres and homes burned. Now these people have fled to Bangladesh but have little hope of a better life in the camp. Please pray for them and for the leaders of Myanmar.

St. Luke’s verse for 2017

“Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put  
a new and right spirit within me”. Psalm 51 verse 10