

WELCOME TO THE PARISH NEWS FOR ST LUKE'S CHURCH
SUNDAY 7th June 2026



My first year at Sarum has flown by. I am coming up to the end of my first year and I am currently finishing my final first year module. Over this past year I have learnt so much more about God and the church. I have completed modules on a wide selection of topics including: Theological reflection, Pastoral care, Worship and Bible. One thing that has really stuck out to me in all of these modules is the importance of partnership in the discipleship of the church. Partnership with each other but most importantly partnership with God. I take great confidence in the fact that I am not on this journey alone, I have God with me at every step. And He has given me so many encouraging lovely humans to journey alongside, not just at Sarum but here at St Lukes too. I am so grateful for all the love and prayers people have sent me this past year, it has really helped get me through the heavy essays and hard moments. So thank you for all your support! My word for this year was discipleship and one of the best encouragements I've had at Sarum is that discipleship is never a straight line, just like faith it is a journey that takes turns and choices, perfect discipleship doesn't exist because a perfect journey doesn't exist.

Ellie

Worship

Sunday 7th June 2026

Parish Communion

Sermon Series: John's Gospel "I AM : Meeting Jesus Anew"

John 10: 1-10 I AM The Gate

First Reading: Psalm 33: 1-12

9.30am Informal Service

Leader Revd Jane Mitchell & Speaker Sue Cornwell

11am Morning Worship

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10.30am Coffee in the Church - thank you to our coffee team this week Jane, Lesley, Ken and Hazel

Thursday morning online prayers

A reflection on the bible passage for the coming Sunday and prayers using the church monthly prayer guide for the Parish - copies available at the back of church.

[CLICK HERE to join online prayers](#)

CLICK HERE to see ALL June Worship

Paper copies for all services, including preaching themes are available at the back of church.

Prayers

The First Sunday after Trinity

*God of truth,
help us to keep your law of love
and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son.*

This week from our monthly prayer diary (copies available in church)

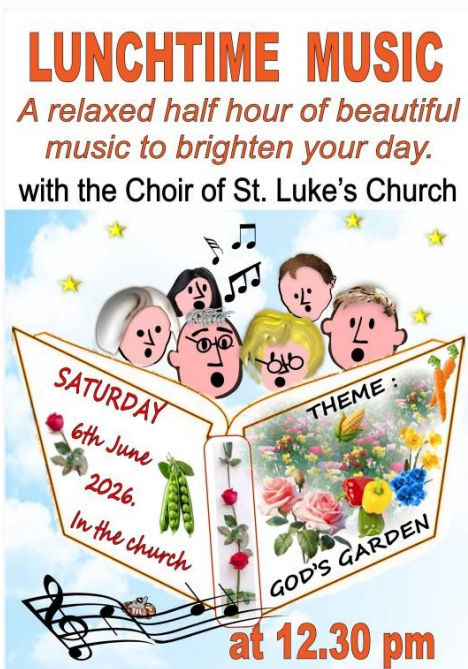
We pray for Christians in the workplace, in business, in the home or in the community. For the love of Jesus to speak through them. For those in the position of leadership to make Godly decisions influencing others.

Please pray for;

Sally Banks
Family of Roger Old
Merilyn Christian-Edwards
Gillian Colsell
Lydia and family
Anne Johnson

Church News

St Luke's Church Choir - A Date For Your Diary
This Saturday 6th June at 12.30pm



Sad News

We are saddened to share the news that Roger Old died on Tuesday at Lymington Hospital. Please keep Roger's family and friends in your prayers at this difficult time. Further details regarding the funeral arrangements will follow in due course.

Roger's funeral will take place at St Luke's Church on Tuesday 23rd June at 2pm.

Open Gardens Parking on Sunday 7th June

Just a reminder that Sunday 7th June is a busy day for parking in and around the church, and so there will be a coned off area in the YC car park for the church congregation only to use. Please keep these spaces free for members of the congregation attending services that need to park near to the church.

Thank you.

Bring and Share Picnic Lunch - Mission Sunday 28th June 12pm

We're looking forward to a joyful **Mission Sunday** on **28th June**, with a guest speaker from **Compassion UK** at our **11:00am service**. After the service, at around **12:30pm**, we'll gather for a **Bring and Share Picnic Lunch** in the church grounds (or in the Church Rooms if the weather turns).

Please bring along a plate of picnic food to share. It's a lovely opportunity to enjoy time together as a church family and to hear more about Compassion's life-changing work with children and communities.

Sign up at the back of church or let Sara in the Church Office know your are coming.

All welcome.

Yours in Fellowship

Jonathan



Deanery Church Tent, New Forest and Hampshire County Show 2026

Tues 28th, Wed 29th and Thurs 30th July 2026

Volunteers are needed to **serve refreshments and welcome visitors** to our ever-popular church tent. This is an opportunity to come together as a Deanery to serve our community, promote the place and importance of our Parish Churches and share the hospitality of God with the thousands of people who visit the show.

Volunteer sessions for teas and welcomers will be for 2½ hour starting 9am or 11.30am or 2pm.

Revd David Potterton has been our church tent supervisor on all 3 days, but this year David may not be available due to imminent spinal surgery; so this year we are looking for help for each day from people with knowledge and experience of the show to act as **supervisor to oversee for a whole day**. A lunch voucher will be provided.

To volunteer, or for more information, please contact Mary Robinson at the Brockenhurst church office on 01590 624584 or email Mary@BrockenhurstChurch.com

Volunteers are also needed for **Children's Craft Activities and Facepainting**, where the sessions will be morning 9.30 to 1.00 or afternoon 1.00 to 4.30.

To volunteer for this please contact Gordon & Wendy on 07759175779 or email gwh341@btinternet.com
All volunteers get a free One Day Pass.

Youth Centre Lease Agreement Joint working group PCC and Parish Council update

We are delighted to confirm that the draft heads of terms which were drawn up and recommended by this group, have been formally approved by both Sway Parish Council and St Luke's Parochial Church Council at their respective meetings. Both parties will now instruct their lawyers, as we move to the drafting of the new long lease for the Sway Youth Centre, which we intend to have ready for signing before the end of 2026.

Focus will now turn to the development of proposals for investment in the building and associated funding. We encourage residents to continue their engagement with us in shaping the future of this valued community building. There will be regular updates and opportunities for feedback from residents as the proposals develop.

Update on Marilyn Christian-Edwards

Marilyn has now been moved to Southampton Hospital, and asks for prayer for healing following infection. Please remember Marilyn and Michael in your prayers and we all send our love at this distressing time.

Lisa Thomas Ordained as Priest - Saturday 27th June 4pm



We are delighted to share that Lisa Thomas will be ordained priest on Saturday 27th June at 4pm at Winchester Cathedral. Please keep Lisa in your prayers as she prepares for this special occasion. You are welcome to attend in person or if you would like to watch online then please do so using this link for Winchester services; <https://www.winchester-cathedral.org.uk/worship/service-listings/>

Potters Field



Clive and Christine Potter kindly extend an invitation to church members to visit, rest and walk round Potters Field, Chapel Lane in Sway. The Ox-eye Daisies are at their best at the moment. Well behaved dogs are welcome!

Recycling Boxes - back of church

Please remember to use the recycling boxes at the back of the church whenever possible, helping us to care for God's creation and keep our church environmentally friendly. Here you can recycle; plastic milk bottle tops, bras, stamps, paper and card, used batteries, coins and currency, mobile phones, camera, gadgets and jewellery.



Sway Carnival Fete Saturday 4th July

Debbie Hull is kindly organising our stall at the fete this year. If you can help in any way on the day please let her know or Sara in the office as she will soon be putting a rota together.

We are also in need of a gazebo to loan for this event - if anyone has a 3 x 3 gazebo to lend us please let Sara in the office know ASAP.

Basics Food Bank

We warmly encourage everyone to keep supporting the Basics Food Bank, (box at the back of church) which provides vital help to people in our local community who are facing hardship.

Donations of non-perishable food and essential household items are always greatly appreciated and make a real difference to those in need.

Thank you to Malcolm Clayton who has kindly volunteered to collect items and take them to the food bank.

Urgent Prayer Requests

st luke's
church, sway



URGENT PRAYER CIRCLE

If you are in need of urgent prayer
please contact Revd. Jane on
07885505532 or the church office on
01590 682358 or email Jennie on
mcnaughthome@protonmail.com

We will arrange for our urgent prayer
circle to pray for those in need.

If you, or someone you know is in need of urgent prayer then please contact Jane on 07885505532 or the church office on 01590 682358, or if you are unable to make contact with Jane or the office then please email Jennie McNaught on mcnaughthome@protonmail.com.

Children and Families

Our next Messy Church is on **Monday 8th June at 3.30pm** and our next Bubble Church is on **Sunday 14th June**. Use the links below to sign up now! We look forward to seeing you there!

[**SIGN UP HERE for Messy Church Monday 8th June**](#)

[**SIGN UP HERE for the next Bubble Church on Sunday 14th June**](#)

Dates for the Diary

Next Week:

Monday 8th June	9.30am Bump Baby and Toddler Group 3.30pm Messy Church
Tuesday 9th June	10.30am SWAG Cafe
Wednesday 10th June	9am Parish Morning Prayers 1.45pm Open The Book 2.30pm Christian Meditation
Thursday 11th June	9am Online Prayers 1.30pm SWAG Thursday Afternoon Club 7pm Band Practise

Friday 12th June	9.30am Bump Baby and Toddler Group
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Future Dates:

Sunday 14th June	8am Holy Communion 9.15am Bubble Church 11am Morning Worship
Monday 15th June	9.30am Bump Baby and Toddler Group
Tuesday 16th June	10.30am SWAG Cafe
Wednesday 17th June	9am Parish Morning Prayers 12pm SWAG Lunch Club 1.45pm Open The Book
Thursday 18th June	9am Online Prayers 7pm Band Practise
Friday 19th June	9.30am Bump Baby and Toddler Group 10am Friday Morning Service
Saturday 20th June	
Sunday 21st June	9.30am Informal Service 11am Family Communion 4pm Evensong
Monday 22nd June	9.30am Bump Baby and Toddler Group
Tuesday 23rd June	10.30am SWAG Cafe 2pm Funeral of Roger Old
Wednesday 24th June	9am Parish Morning Prayers 1.45pm Open The Book

Thursday 25th June	9am Online Prayers 7pm Band Practise 7pm Church Warden Service at The Priory Christchurch
Friday 26th June	9.30am Bump Baby and Toddler Group 2pm Creative Space
Saturday 27th June	4pm Lisa Thomas Ordained Priest at Winchester
Sunday 28th June Mission Sunday	11am Morning Service with Guest Speaker from Compassion UK 12.30pm Bring and Share Picnic Lunch in Church Rooms

Please check the website or churchsuite for all other events and dates.

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