



MASS TIMES:

Sunday: Sat vigil 6.30pm, 9.15am, 11am

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 9am

Weds: 7pm.

Sat: 11.30am, followed by Exposition and Confessions.

Masses received:

Lately dead: Alan Faulkner, Margaret Dermody and John Gregg

Anniversaries Martin McDermott & Wilfred Lyons

Birthday Memories & Anniversary Agatha Barnes.

Special Intentions

Welcome to the family of St Luke

Matilda Jane Bates, Jack Sebastian Ward & Jasper Jonathan Prince. Congratulations Rebecca & Brad, Gaynor & Peter and Harriet & Mark

Parish Meeting: Fr Michael would like to invite all parishioners of St Luke's and Ss Peter & Paul to a special meeting on Wednesday 12 September. There will be the usual Wednesday evening Mass at St Luke's (7pm) which will provide the opportunity **for both parishes** to celebrate the various ministries that are already part of our parish lives (in line with the diocesan *Hope in the Future* initiative). As Mass ends, we will move into a meeting to discuss the way we take things forward together. So the evening will be an opportunity to pray together and talk together about the future of our parishes. All are welcome.

DBS (CRB) disclosure checks that are more than three years old must be renewed. If you have not yet been contacted please get in touch with Mike Brooks Tel: 0161 971 9471

Elvis Tribute Concert Sat. 6th Oct. in Parish Hall. Tickets £8. Tel. Bernice on 0161 737 9474

Next Week's Bulletin.

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THIS IS MY BODY, THIS IS MY BLOOD

This is intolerable language, how could anyone accept it?

Jesus agrees: It isn't easy to accept such a claim; in fact without the help of the Holy Spirit, it would be impossible. But he doesn't go back on what he has said even when "many of his disciples left him." "What about you, will you go away too?"

Peter has a wonderful response: "Lord, who shall we go to? You have this message of eternal life." They can't understand but their faith tells them that he has the message of eternal life. They trust him: they choose God; they choose eternal life.

"We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God."

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

We Live in a world of rapid change so nothing should surprise us. But it is important to appreciate what has gone before us. St Luke's was built on solid foundations and for this we must thank our wonderful priests and our parishioners from our first beginnings. 'Sacrifice' was regarded as inevitable and was taken for granted. Our present parish owes its origins to their incredible generosity and hard work. Harold Riley's contribution to the art and décor of the church is a legacy, and for me, working with Harold has been a privilege and a pleasure.

Today, I leave with a heavy heart but with a sense of pride in the knowledge that we have achieved Fr Brown's dream. So today, simply THANK YOU for your untiring support over the last 27 years. It has been a pleasure and an honour to work with you.

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you

And now I welcome Fr Michael as your new Parish Priest and Fr. David as his assistant priest. I'm delighted to tell you that both are well known for their warmth and kindness. They are now about to experience the highlight of their lives - the warmth and the love of the family of St Luke's. Together you will face the challenge of the amalgamation of St Luke's and Ss. Peter and Paul's. Fr Michael has previous experience and Fr David is a good learner! I have great pleasure in congratulating them on their appointments and wishing them and the two parishes every happiness and continued success. **Ad multos annos!**

AND FINALLY

It has been a privilege to serve an exceptionally talented, wholeheartedly committed, incomparably generous and extremely warm-welcoming parish – the FAMILY of St Luke's

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