

## Monday 18th October - St Luke the Evangelist

Luke, the writer of the Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles, has been identified with St. Paul's "Luke, the beloved physician" (Colossians 4:14). It is believed that Luke was born a Greek and a Gentile. Luke's gospel shows special sensitivity to evangelizing Gentiles. It is only in his gospel that we hear the parable of the Good Samaritan, that we hear Jesus praising the faith of Gentiles such as the widow of Zarephath and Naaman the Syrian (Lk.4:25-27), and that we hear the story of the one grateful leper who is a Samaritan (Lk.17:11-19).

Luke's unique perspective on Jesus can be seen in the six miracles and eighteen parables not found in the other gospels. His is the gospel of the poor and of social justice. He is the one who tells the story of Lazarus and the Rich Man who ignored him. Luke is the one who uses "Blessed are the poor" instead of "Blessed are the poor in spirit" in the beatitudes. It is only in Luke's gospel that we hear the story of the Annunciation, Mary's visit to Elizabeth including the Magnificat, the Presentation, and the story of Jesus' disappearance in Jerusalem. It is Luke that we have to thank for the Scriptural parts of the Hail Mary: "Hail Mary full of grace" spoken at the Annunciation and "Blessed are you and blessed is the fruit of your womb Jesus" spoken by her cousin Elizabeth.

Forgiveness and God's mercy to sinners is also of first importance to Luke. Only in Luke do we hear the story of the Prodigal Son welcomed back by the overjoyed father and the story of the forgiven woman disrupting the feast by washing Jesus' feet with her tears. Throughout Luke's gospel, Jesus takes the side of the sinner who wants to return to God's mercy.

The reports of Luke's life after Paul's death are conflicting. Some early writers claim he was martyred, others say he lived a long life. Some say he preached in Greece, others in Gaul. The earliest tradition we have says that he died at 84 Boeotia after settling in Greece to write his Gospel. He is often shown with an ox or a calf because these are the symbols of sacrifice -- the sacrifice Jesus made for all the world. *(Catholic online)*

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## 29TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

**17TH OCTOBER 2021**

### **PSALM RESPONSE**

May your love be upon us, O Lord,  
as we place all our hope in you.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord;  
no one can come to the Father except through me.

Alleluia!

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Behold, the eyes of the Lord  
are on those who fear him,  
who hope in his merciful love,  
to rescue their souls from death,  
to keep them alive in famine.

The Son of Man has come to give his life as a ransom  
for many *(Roman Missal)*



Ordinary (B1)	Psalter week 1	Intention/Info
<b>Sunday 16th/17th 29th Sunday of the Year</b>	<b>Sat 5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH 11.30am Mass OH</b>	Private Intention (C.S)  People of the Parish
Monday 18th St Luke		
Tuesday 19th		
Wednesday 20th	<b>10am Mass BH</b>	
Thursday 21st	<b>9am Mass School</b>	Children of the School
Friday 22nd	<b>11am Mass KF</b>	
Saturday 23rd		
<b>Sunday 23rd/24th 30th Sunday of the Year</b>	<b>Sat 5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH 11.30am Mass OH</b>	Ivy Nunis People of the Parish

Please pray for all those whose have died recently especially Lily Petford, those on our October deceased lists and for all those whose anniversaries occur this month. May they all rest in peace.

Collections: BH GA £244.00, Loose £455.49, CAFOD £64.83, Father Hudson's £56.76, Piety £50.00 KF 3/10 GA £60.00, Loose £144.35, CAFOD £133.70, Fr Hudson's £92.55 10/10 GA £125.00, Loose £133.71, Funeral £63.94, Parking £60.00, Donations £40.00, Hall hire £170.00, Let the Children Live £4.05, St Anthony's bread £5.20.

**BRIERLEY HILL: Craft Group** Mon 25th October 2pm to 4pm in Parish Centre  
**OLD HILL FOODSHARE** Tuesday mornings  
**KINGSWINFORD:** Friday 9.30 - 11.30am **Foodbank** .

Please pray for all those who are sick including Pauline Bant, Jeanette Amphlett, Dorothy West, Margaret Gilroy, Jess Shaw, Harold Shackley, Michael Rose, Jill Rowe, James Kearney, Barbara Masterman, Margaret Shipley, Tess Barnsley, Steve Dunn, Lynsey Cooper, Alec Huffer, Kath Emery, Patricia Smith, Roy Davies, Chris and Tony Rylands, Margaret List, Ken Lowe, Peggy Tromans, Rob and Ilona Bryan, Betty Storey, Connie Birch, Stella Jones, Margaret Marlowe, Don Neale, Anne Peters, Jackie Spittle, David Barnsley and Dawn Russon. May the Lord grant them hope and healing.

**FOODBANKS - If you are able to donate to them they will be happy to accept your donations. The need is growing so donations are much needed and gratefully received.**

## SECOND COLLECTIONS - THIS WEEK FOR THE SISTERS NEXT WEEK FOR WORLD MISSIONS

**IMPORTANT KF - Volunteers needed for your parish!** In recent weeks the Gift Aid coordinator has resigned, the Red box coordinator has too and we still need a health and safety representative. Gift Aid makes a big financial difference to the Parish and without a volunteer that money will remain uncollected. The red boxes need someone to empty them twice yearly and pay the money into the bank. Without a health and safety rep the Diocese are not fulfilling their obligations worst case scenario we could be forced to close. You would not be responsible for doing the work but checking and advising Fr Shanju what needs to be done and receiving communications etc. All these roles come with training and are not difficult or too time consuming but need doing. Please seriously think if you can help and let Father know. If you want to speak to someone who is doing that role we can easily sort that!

**Vacancy for Senior Office Administrator - £25000 to £30000** the Diocese have a vacancy in the Education department for a senior office administrator.

Please see poster at the back of Church for more information. Closing date is 25th October for applications.

**40 days for life** - Sept 22nd to Oct 31st - Please see poster at back of Church for more details about the "kick-off event" The pro-life movement vs Satan

**School Harvest donations** - we are very grateful to St Mary's school who are once again donating all their school Harvest festival donations to our food-share.

**Red boxes at OH** - If anyone has a red box that need emptying please leave it in the Sacristy for Tabatha. Any queries please contact Tabatha on 07907 153865. Thank you.

**Mass intentions** - These can still be requested while Fr Shanju is away but if you want a special date please give as much notice as possible. Thank you.

### Pope's prayer intention for October:

*We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, by being witness to a life that has the flavour of the Gospel. Amen.*