

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2021**  
**Sunday Next before Lent**

**Today's Services & Readings**

2 Kings 2:1-12; Psalm 50:1-6; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6  
Mark 9:2-9

**This Sunday, join us at 10.00am on Zoom**  
**for Morning Service**

Preacher: Jenny Cass

Please contact Anne-Marie or Christine Hall  
for login information for the service,  
or if you need any help.

**Sunday Service of Morning Prayer:**

Premiers at 9.00am on Facebook and Youtube:

<https://youtu.be/fsWut9izGgw>

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**Watch Chelmsford Cathedral's Live-streamed**  
**Sunday Services:**

<https://www.chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk/>

**Every week we will post resources on our**  
**website including Sunday Sermons, Readings,**

**Prayers & Sunday Club Activities:**

(usually posted on the Friday before)

[www.thurstablewinstreechurches.org](http://www.thurstablewinstreechurches.org) &

<http://www.tk-tiptree-braxted-benefice.org.uk/index.html>

**The Week Ahead:**

**No Morning Prayer in St Luke's Church**

Monday, 7.30pm Online Bible Study

Tuesday, 10.00am Morning Prayer on Zoom,  
*Login details from Anne-Marie  
or Christine Hall.*

Tuesday, 2.00pm Funeral of Vera Beckwith, at  
Colchester Crematorium

Wed, 9.30am Great Braxted PCC

**Ash Wednesday Service, 8.00pm on Zoom**

*full details over page*

Thursday, 10.00am Morning Prayer on Zoom

Thursday, 2.00pm Tiptree Foodbank open at the  
URC, Chapel Road 'til 4.00pm

Friday, 2.45pm Funeral of Geoffrey Newbery  
at Colchester Crematorium

Saturday 9.45am Marriage Preparation - online  
10.30am St Luke's open for private  
prayer, until 12 noon

**Next Sunday: 21<sup>st</sup> February 2021,**  
**First Sunday of Lent**

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A Poem from Anne Wild for Ash Wednesday  
by Malcolm Guite\*

Receive this cross of ash upon your brow,  
Brought from the burning of Palm Sunday's cross.  
The forests of the world are burning now  
And you make late repentance for the loss.

But all the trees of God would clap their hands  
The very stones themselves would shout and sing  
If you could covenant to love these lands  
And recognise in Christ their Lord and king.

He sees the slow destruction of those trees,  
He weeps to see the ancient places burn,  
And still you make what purchases you please,  
And still to dust and ashes you return.  
But Hope could rise from ashes even now  
Beginning with this sign upon your brow.

*\*Permission to reproduce poem from from 'Sounding the  
Seasons' published by Canterbury Press, granted by Malcolm  
Guite. See Malcolm's website for more poetry and prayer:*

[www.malcolmguite.com](http://www.malcolmguite.com)

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In this difficult phase of the Coronavirus Lockdown  
**please do contact Anne-Marie** if you would like to  
chat, need to talk or ask for support, or have any  
prayer requests while we are unable to meet in  
church. 01621 815260.

**To receive a copy of this news sheet by email:**

please contact Christine Hall **07421 078981**

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**Receive Our Church Resources by Post & Email,**

contact Anne-Marie if you would like to receive  
readings, sermon & prayers by post/email.  
01621 815260.



St Luke's Facebook page: /tiptreestlukes

**Tiptree Foodbank Update:**

This week open on Thursday from 2.00 to 4.00pm.  
Anyone in need of a food parcel should go along  
on Thursday, or contact Anne-Marie.

**No donations needed this week – thank you**

## Update about church while we are in Lockdown

Until we meet again in church, join our services via Zoom on a computer, tablet or smartphone and you can also join by phoning in (you will be charged for the phone call – you should check the cost with your phone provider).

Our services are on Tuesday, Thursday and Sundays on Zoom at 10.00am.

You will be able to join any service about 15 minutes before it starts.

Login details available from Anne-Marie and Christine Hall.

St Luke's Church opens for Private Prayer on Saturday, 10.30am to 12.00pm  
*An opportunity to enter your church to talk to God. Please remember we must not gather together if you do come along.*

## This Week:

**Sunday Club Resources this week, Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb**, are available from the team website, scroll down to find the blue button: 'Sunday Club Resources for Children' <https://thurstablewintreechurches.org>

**Weekly Zoom Bible Study on Mondays, 7.30-9.00pm 'The Prayers of Jesus'**. Everyone is very welcome, contact Wendy Borgartz for the login details. 01376 573184 [w.borgartz@btinternet.com](mailto:w.borgartz@btinternet.com)

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## Ash Wednesday & Lent

**Ash Wednesday Service on Zoom**, February 17<sup>th</sup> 2021, 8.00pm. To join the service with Anne-Marie, please use the usual Church log-in link\*  
*Please have a small bowl of water to hand. An order of service will be emailed out with this week's news sheet, or be available on the website:*  
<https://thurstablewintreechurches.org>

\* For log-in details or an order of service please contact Christine Hall or Anne-Marie.

**Ash Wednesday Reflective Service** available from 9.00am on Ash Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> February, on YouTube and Facebook. Follow this link from Lydia to find it: <https://youtu.be/5jqbYi6zAYA>

**Lent Zoom Course (in the Celtic Tradition): "We shall be changed"**, with Anne-Marie, Christine, Anne & Harold on Tuesdays, 7.30pm, for 5 weeks starting on 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Login details available from Anne-Marie or Christine Hall.

**Lent Course: the 'I am sayings' of Jesus in John's Gospel**, join Lydia on Zoom, Thursdays at 5.30pm from 18<sup>th</sup> February. Login details are available from Lydia, 01621 738759.

**#Live Lent: God's Story, Our Story**, join the Diocese's joyful invitation to make witness a normal part of the Christian life for Lent. For resources, books, broadcasts, Lent Groups, Lent Modules and the Bishop's Lent Appeal, go to the website: <https://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/livelent>

**Bishop's Lent Appeal 2021: Empower Marsabit**, please send your donations directly to the appeal by visiting the website: <https://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/bishops-appeal/>

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## News

**Mothing Sunday Posies at Tiptree & Messing Churches**, we plan to place posies of daffodils outside the front entrance/church porch on Mothing Sunday for children passing with their families to pick up and give to their mothers (or for ladies to collect for themselves). Contributions towards the posies will all be gratefully received, please contact Revd Christine Eaton at **St Luke's** (01621 819166, [christinegorringe@btinternet.com](mailto:christinegorringe@btinternet.com)), or for **Messing**: Jan Barker, [jancandybarker@yahoo.com](mailto:jancandybarker@yahoo.com) 01621 816686, or Anne Wild, 07837 248134 [awild2014@gmail.com](mailto:awild2014@gmail.com). *Thank you to our friends at Gt Braxted Church, who have kindly offered us their daffodils, which will bloom in their churchyard unseen this year. More details next week.*

**Feb/March Open Door**, now available on-line <http://www.tk-tiptree-braxted-benefice.org.uk/Feb-March%2021.pdf>, paper copies from Christine Hall.

**The Archbishops' of Canterbury & York Call to Prayer**: we are all invited to set aside time every evening to pray at around 6.00pm. See the helpful prayer sheet: [https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2021-01/PftN%20Booklet%20v2\\_0.pdf](https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2021-01/PftN%20Booklet%20v2_0.pdf)

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 @RectorTiptree Day off – Monday

**Christine Hall Editor, Newsletter & Team Administrator**, please send your items for **next Sunday** by **Midday on Tuesday** at the latest.

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