

St Luke's Intouch

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WE'RE STILL HERE...

This past year, despite all the challenges we have faced, our teams have still gone above and beyond, providing dignified and compassionate care to all of our patients. Thanks to your incredible support...

- * We cared for **1,905** patients – just one fewer than the previous year which didn't suffer from lockdowns, PPE challenges, social distancing and self-isolation
- * We made **4,848** visits to palliative care patients in their own homes across Sheffield, helping many people with terminal illnesses avoid hospital admissions
- * We cared for **326** patients on our In Patient Centre and adapted to changing restrictions to enable family and friends to continue safely visiting their loved ones
- * Our Bereavement team supported a record **809** family and friends dealing with the loss of a loved one, providing nearly **3,000** sessions of counselling and support
- * Our ECHO team delivered **166** online sessions to **4,679** care home, nursing home and Yorkshire Ambulance Service staff across the city to share best practice
- * Our Clifford House team have worked hard to continue supporting over **200** clients with weekly virtual activities and regular telephone calls

We are delighted that St Luke's has made a significant, vital and high-quality contribution to the care of Sheffield throughout the pandemic, one that is recognised by so many.

Thank you to all of our supporters for your part in our story.



"St Luke's is the backbone of palliative care in Sheffield and hopefully will be around for many years to come for the people of Sheffield."

– Patient's relative, 2020

HOW YOUR SUPPORT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

We're there to support patients and their families across the city at a time when a terminal diagnosis has turned their life upside down. When the coronavirus pandemic struck, we saw our fundraising events cancelled and charity shops closed for months on end, reminding us all too well how vital support from our community is.

Whilst we're hopeful that normality will return soon, we're set to feel the impact of the pandemic for several years to come and we're so grateful to all of our supporters who have set up a monthly donation, helping us to rebuild our long term, sustainable income and continue supporting families like Vickki and Tim.

"St Luke's was there to lift a weight off me and I knew I wasn't on my own anymore."

"I didn't understand the work that was done in the community and it really opened up my eyes to the amazing work that St Luke's do. The relief that someone else was there meant everything to me. St Luke's managed to take control of the situation with love, care and dignity."

"I donate each month because to me, it's the best local charity you could support. I would do anything I can to allow other people to have what Tim and I had, at a time when I don't know what we would have done without them."

– Vickki Pryor



Vickki and Tim Pryor

Find out more about how a monthly donation can support our work by visiting www.stlukeshospice.org.uk/monthly-donation



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Thank you to our wonderful supporters over the last few months. We couldn't do what we do without you!



1. Tajinder Singh from Totley Pharmacy makes a generous £5,000 donation to St Luke's
2. 12 Sheffield friends join together to walk the Three Peaks Challenge and raise £3,890 for St Luke's
3. Will Gaunt and Peter Linley raise over £5,000 with their epic Sheffield to Newquay bike ride
4. All aboard! First Buses 60th birthday Open Day raises over £4,300
5. Back on the greens - St Luke's 2021 Golf Day raises £7,398
6. Hannah Murton and John Egginton take on the 62 mile 'Race to the Stones' Ultra marathon to raise £1,806
7. Dransfield Properties cycle Aberdeen to Newcastle in the impressive 13th leg of their Tour of Europe
8. St Luke's friends and family members put their best foot forwards to walk the famous Yorkshire 3 Peaks Challenge, raising £8,109



St Luke's FESTIVAL OF LIGHT 2021

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CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

Lighting up our gardens to mark St Luke's 50th anniversary

Festival of Light is loved by St Luke's supporters and for many, it is the start of the festive season. It's a time for us all to come together to remember and celebrate the lives of our loved ones.

This year is extra special as we are delighted to welcome you back to join us in our gardens on Sunday 5 December from 5-7pm for our switch on event, marking the start of our 50th anniversary year!

As one of our biggest fundraising events of the year, Festival of Light makes a real difference to the lives of people like Dave, who is supporting this year's event in memory of his wife, Jess.

"Jess was in the final stages of her battle against cancer when I proposed to her on Christmas Day 2020. We had no idea if we would actually be able to get married, but then Jess went to St Luke's and I cannot speak highly enough of what everybody there did for us."



"They helped us to create the wedding day that Jess wanted - the ceremony was held at St Luke's and they arranged flowers and balloons, along with a special celebration cheesecake."

"That's why I'm supporting Festival of Light because our wedding and Jess' care was everything we could have wished for and the St Luke's team really did everything they could to make our wedding day an unforgettable day for both of us."

— Dave Stewart

To make your dedication and join us at our Festival of Light event, please visit www.stlukeshospice.org.uk/light

Sustainable Style at St Luke's

Throughout September, we put a spotlight on our shops to highlight the positive environmental impact of charity shopping, shopping secondhand and shopping sustainably.

Our motto was shop secondhand, love the environment and support your local hospice. Throughout the month, we shared exclusive content showing how doing your bit to be green can support St Luke's as well as our planet.

Supporting our campaign was Instagram blogger, Faye Wagstaffe aka @charity_shop_gal, who is passionate about pre-loved clothing after reading about the environmental damage of the fashion industry.

"I love shopping but you can get just the same buzz from looking around a good charity shop. For fashionable people, charity shopping really works because it gives an affordable way to experiment with your style."

"My beautiful mum lost her battle with a rare form of cancer and for a short time, was a patient at St Luke's, where the incredibly kind and dedicated staff cared for her in the last days of her life."

"By shopping with St Luke's, I'm doing something for the environment, finding some fantastic items and supporting a charity I'm passionate about."

Scan the QR code and see Faye in action!



www.stlukeshospice.org.uk/sustainable-style

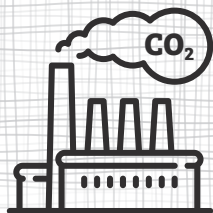


@charity_shop_gal



Volunteer & model, Liliya

Did you know?



Clothing production accounts for **10%** of global carbon emissions

Welcoming back our volunteers

It has been an exciting few months for our Retail and Volunteering teams, as we reopened the majority of our shops in April and welcomed back many of our volunteers, loyal shoppers and dedicated donors.

The reopening of our shops has been a big step forward in enabling us to begin financially recovering from the pandemic. This wouldn't have been possible without our wonderful volunteers.

Barbara's story

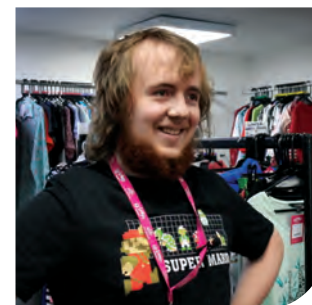


Barbara was dropping off some items at our Donation Centre based at Brightside when she got chatting to a St Luke's Volunteer Coordinator and asked if she would be interested in joining the team.

After a tour around the stockroom, Barbara now volunteers three hours every week helping to sort the hundreds of bags of donations arriving each day.

"Every bag is a separate story and you never know what you're going to come across next. I get a real sense of satisfaction from being part of the team and doing my bit for a charity that is very important to the people of Sheffield."

Matthew's story



Matthew volunteers at our Gleadless shop. Matthew has passive autism and came to us as part of his college course when he needed a work placement. Since then, he has built his confidence, met new people and gained lots of new skills for his CV.



Scan the QR code to watch Matthew's video!



Your next volunteer role is just a click away...

Did you know we are looking for volunteers in our new stockroom at Crookes to help us sort and steam items and test electrical donations?

To find out more about volunteering, visit www.stlukeshospice.org.uk/volunteer, call 0114 235 7548 or email volunteer@hospicesheffield.co.uk

Five ways to support St Luke's this festive season



① Festival of Light

Dedicate a light in memory of a loved one at www.stlukeshospice.org.uk/light. See page 5 for Dave's story about why he is supporting this year's campaign.



② St Luke's Winter Raffle

Buy a ticket for your chance to win £2,000 cash! www.stlukeslotterysheffield.org.uk/raffle



③ Set up a monthly gift

Help us to continue caring for patients and their loved ones by supporting us with a monthly donation. Find out more at www.stlukeshospice.org.uk/monthly-donation



④ Christmas cards

Visit one of our shops across Sheffield to pick up a pack of our festive Christmas cards.



⑤ Visit our shops

The perfect place for presents, dropping off a bag of donations or giving the gift of time by volunteering. Find your nearest shop by visiting www.stlukeshospice.org.uk/find-our-shops

