

# Pews News

**St Paul's Church, Wokingham**  
**St Nicholas' Church, Emmbrook**



**Welcome** in the name of Jesus Christ to this house of prayer, especially if you are with us for the first time. Please use the hand gel as you come in.

Socially distanced seating is available towards the back of the church.

**Anybody, of any age, who has been baptised in any Christian Church, is warmly invited to receive the Eucharist here- currently still in the form of the bread only, which counts in Christian theology as a full communion.**

Come forward down the central aisle and then return to your seat down the side aisle. Please tell the priest if you need a gluten-free wafer. If you'd prefer to receive a prayer of blessing please come forward with everyone else and keep your head bowed at the rail.

We are a Church family committed to welcoming all those who come as God's precious and beloved child, whatever their age or race, sexuality or experience, background or confidence in Church. We only become the Church God is calling us to be when everybody is made welcome and everybody is freed to contribute and join in.

Welcome home.

## 27<sup>th</sup> November: Advent Sunday

<b>8am</b>	<b>St Paul's</b>	<b>Low Mass</b>	<b>Fr Richard</b>
------------	------------------	-----------------	-------------------

<b>9.30am</b>	<b>St Paul's</b>	<b>Parish Mass</b>	<b>Fr Richard</b>
---------------	------------------	--------------------	-------------------

Readings: Isaiah 2.1-5, Matthew 24.36-44

Hymns: 3, 11, 14, 9

Voluntary: *Chorale Prelude on 'Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme'*  
(BWV 645), by J. S. Bach

<b>11am</b>	<b>St Nick's</b>	<b>Community Eucharist</b>	<b>Fr Richard</b>
-------------	------------------	----------------------------	-------------------

<b>6.15pm</b>	<b>St Paul's</b>	<b>Advent Service of Words and Music</b>	<b>Fr Richard</b>
---------------	------------------	--	-------------------



**Antiphon for Advent Sunday:** O Wisdom which camest out of the mouth of the most High, and reachest from one end to another mightily, and sweetly ordering all things: Come and teach us the way of prudence.

**Collect** Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Post Communion** O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Week Ahead 28<sup>th</sup> November – 2<sup>nd</sup> December

<b>Monday</b>	8.30am	Zoom	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
		Meeting ID 753 2006 4518	Passcode 024453
<b>Tuesday</b>	9am	St Paul's	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
	7.15pm	Zoom	Bible Study
		Meeting ID 861 4762 3913	Passcode 70205
<b>Wednesday</b>	8.30am	Zoom	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
		Meeting ID 753 2006 4518	Passcode 024453
	10.30am	10 Ashton Road	<b>House Mass</b>
	6.30pm	Parish Rooms	5678 Youth Club
		Upstairs	
<b>Thursday</b>	8.30am	Zoom	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
		Meeting ID 753 2006 4518	Passcode 024453
	12.30pm	St Paul's	MU 16 Days of Activism Service
<b>Friday</b>	9am	St Paul's	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
	11.30am	Alexandra Grange	<b>Communion</b>
		Care Home	
	1.45pm	Parish Rooms	Coffee and Chat
		<i>Come along to chat, and relax with others</i>	

### 4<sup>th</sup> December: Second Sunday of Advent

<b>9.30am</b>	<b>St Paul's</b>	<b>Parish Mass</b>	<b>Fr Richard</b>
		Readings: Isaiah 11.1-10, Matthew 3.1-12	
		Hymns: 12, 7, 6, 15	
<b>11am</b>	<b>St Nick's</b>	<b>Community Eucharist</b>	<b>Fr Richard</b>

**Wokingham Art Society Meeting**, Tuesday, 20 December, 7.30 - 9.30pm  
Bradbury Centre, Rose Street, Wokingham RG40 1XS

There will be a demonstration by **Lewis Hazelwood-Horner**, painting a Still Life in Oil. Lewis is a London based artist, who studied at Byam Shaw School of Art and obtained further training from London Atelier of Representational Art. He is a member of the Royal Society of British Artists. Free to members, £5 for non-members.

## Notices

### Refreshments after Advent Evening Service TONIGHT

The choir are organising refreshments in the Parish Rooms after the Advent Sunday evening service this evening. We would be very grateful for donations of wine, beer, soft drinks and both savoury and sweet nibbles, mince pies, etc. These can be given to Teri or Lesley after the morning service or delivered to the Parish Rooms between 4.30 and 4.50pm today. Thank you.

We are planning a **virtual Posada** this year - the idea is that you sign up on a set day in Advent and email the office with a picture of your nativity set, then we will send them out on a daily email so that we are travelling through Advent together. The actual physical set will be travelling round Schools and Nursing Homes and those photos will also be included. Please email Louise Cole ASAP if you would like to take part so we can fill in the timetable.



**Thank you** to all who contributed in any way to the very successful **“Buy a Box”** event last week which raised an excellent £270 for Church funds!

**Don't forget to return your Smarties tubes ASAP!**

### Mulled Wine and Mince Pies

After the Service of Nine Lessons and Carols at 6:15 pm on Sunday 18th December, the Social Committee will be providing mulled wine and mince pies in the Parish Rooms. All are welcome. Donations of mince pies would be appreciated. See you there!  
Alan and Trish

### Book Sale

There will be a book sale in the Parish Rooms after the morning service on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> of December. All good quality, second hand books – and only £1 each!

All proceeds to go to church funds

### Volunteers Needed

St Paul's needs a **Health and Safety Officer** to keep our policies updated and look out for concerns and problems- it is a nice, discrete job for somebody with a little bit of time but not a lot. Speak to Peter Wells for more details.

We also need more **volunteers to help run the concerts** we host in Church, jobs which would suit anyone who likes music- speak to Louise Cole for more information. And we need a **Treasurer for the Parish Rooms Trust** - which is a job which can be done in regular chunks rather than every day and would suit someone with an eye for figures and finance. Speak to Rhoda or Vanessa for info.

The Deanery is putting together a **Green Group** to support each other and share ideas- Peter Wells is going along from the parish to the first meeting - speak to him if you would like to take part.

Prayers

**The sick:** Angela; Phoebe; Ailsa Harvey; Mike Dyer; Roy Holmes; Niki; Connor Broad; Sandra; Doreen; Alaister; Joss; Becky; Cara; Ann Day; Benjamin; Úna Standen; Jenny

**The Recently Departed:** Michael Wells, Waldo Thorn, Michael Gallagher, David Atkinson, Jeremy Ponting, Patricia Fowler, Wendy Durdin

**Year’s Mind:** (27<sup>th</sup>) Elizabeth Smith; (28<sup>th</sup>) Alice Weaver, Alice Cornall, (baby) Alice Rutter, Ted Fitzgibbons; (29<sup>th</sup>) Grace Bavin; (30<sup>th</sup>) John Broom, Molly Burrett, Mary Baldock; (1<sup>st</sup>) John Standen; (2<sup>nd</sup>) Mabel Wyatt, Linda Henderson, Virginia Blethyn

**A Prayer for Ukraine:** Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.

Live streaming

Please note that most acts of worship at St Paul’s are now live streamed. Although cameras are focused on those leading worship, please be aware that your image may be captured and streamed. If you would like further information on where to sit, please ask the sidespeople as you arrive.

<b>Clergy</b>			
Fr Richard Lamey	0118 327 9116	rector@spauls.co.uk	Rest Day Sat
Mthr Cara Smart	0118 901 4365	cara.smart@spauls.co.uk	Rest Day Sat
Rev’d Jane Kraft	01276 36402	revd.janekraft@btinternet.com	Rest Day Fri
Rev’d Judi Hattaway	0118 976 1197	judihattaway@mac.com	Rest Day Fri
<b>Churchwarden</b>			
Peter Wells	0118 377 6351	peter.wells@spauls.co.uk	
<b>Deputy Churchwarden</b>			
Pippa Sutton	07814 347693	pippa.sutton@spauls.co.uk	
<b>Deputy Warden for Mission and Spirituality</b>			
Mary Cassidy	0118 979 5096	mary.cassidy@spauls.co.uk	
<b>Church Administrator</b>			
Louise Cole	0118 979 2122	church.office@spauls.co.uk	
<b>Parish Rooms Administrator</b>			
Vanessa Hemmi	0118 334 2668	parish.rooms@spauls.co.uk	

The office in the Parish Rooms is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9.30am to 12 noon