

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.

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.

8th January: Epiphany

8am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Fr Richard
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass Readings: Isaiah 60.1-6, Matthew 2.1-12 Hymns: We three kings, 47, 48, 49 Voluntary: <i>Epilogue on 'Dix'</i> , by William H. Harris	Fr Richard
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Mthr Cara

Collect Creator of the heavens, who led the Magi by a star to worship the Christ-child: guide and sustain us, that we may find our journey's end in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion Lord God, the bright splendour whom the nations seek: may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light discern the glory of your presence in your Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



The Week Ahead 9th – 13th January

Monday	8.30am	Zoom Meeting ID 753 2006 4518	Morning Prayer Passcode 024453
Tuesday	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
	12.15pm	St Paul's	Meditation Group
	7.15pm	Zoom Meeting ID 838 7693 1293	Bible Study Passcode 254711
Wednesday	8.30am	Zoom Meeting ID 753 2006 4518	Morning Prayer Passcode 024453
	10.30am	10 Ashton Road	House Mass
	6.30pm	Parish Rooms Upstairs	5678 Youth Club
Thursday	8.30am	Zoom Meeting ID 753 2006 4518	Morning Prayer Passcode 024453
Friday	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
	11.30am	Alexandra Grange Care Home	Communion
	1.45pm	Parish Rooms	Coffee and Chat <i>Come along to chat, and relax with others</i>

15th January: 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass Readings: John 1.29-42 Hymns: 55, In Christ Alone, 57, 52	Rev'd Jane Kraft
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Rev'd Judi Hattaway

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.

Notices

Last chance to book for the JANUARY LUNCH

Sunday 15th January, 12.30 for 1pm
Adult £12.50/Child £6/ Family £32
Sign up at the back of church ASAP
Payment by cash or BACs:

Account Name: PCC St Pauls

Sort Code: 20-11-74

Account no: 80683752

Ref: Lunch

More information from Trish or Alan:
trishgatland@hotmail.co.uk
al_harrison@hotmail.co.uk

Thank you to all those who helped with our Christingle services, making the Christingles in the morning, acting in the nativities and welcoming the congregation. McCarthy and Stone generously funded all the supplies, so we were able to donate a fantastic £1117.53 to the Children's Society!

Meditation Group

Tuesday 10th January, St Paul's Church.
PLEASE NOTE CHANGED TIME FOR THIS
MONTH ONLY

Arrive from 12pm for 12.15pm start

Susannah meditationgroup@spauls.org.uk

LENT RETREAT

The parish retreat will take place at
St Columba's House in Woking from
**6pm on Friday 3rd to 2.30pm on Sunday
5th March 2023**

The booking form is available on the
parish website:

<https://spauls.co.uk/lent-retreat-2023/>

Please book soon!

The **raffle prize** stash is running quite low, so if you have any post-Christmas contributions, please give them to Mary Cassidy.

St Paul's will host a **Confirmation Service** at either 6 or 6.15 pm on **Sunday the 26th of March**. Please do put the date in your diary whether you are coming along to support fellow members of the Church or because you yourself would like to make this key and vital commitment to God as a disciple.

Reading Phoenix Choir is holding its annual Come & Sing workshop in St Paul's on Saturday 21st January from 1pm, with the concert at 6pm. The piece of music we are going to look at is **Karl Jenkins' "The Armed Man"**, including all of the well known mass sections and some of the movements, such as *L'homme armé*. Tickets (£15-25 – reduced price for under 18s) can be booked at www.rpchoir.com/come-armed
Tickets for the concert only are available at www.rpchoir.com/armed-man

Corpus Christi RC Church Parish Pantomime - Jack and the Beanstalk

Dame Trott and her family are struggling. Prices are rising, sales in the farm shop are falling and Fleshcreep is demanding yet more taxes. What can the Trott family do to avoid the bailiffs? This family pantomime, brought to you by the Corpus Christi Parish Pantomime Group is full of the usual singing, dancing & silliness. A charity pantomime supporting First Days Children's Charity Wokingham.

Tickets £5. Full details and online box office at beanstalkpanto.eventbrite.co.uk

Prayers

The sick: Úna Standen; Margaret Newman; Dinah; Mark; Albert; Leslie Townsend

The Recently Departed: Alan Povall, Rosaleen Waddell, Sheila Hill, Clifford Cranston, Roy Holmes, Bruce Hargreaves, Mike Swain

Year's Mind: (8th) Annie Churchill, John Balfour; (9th) Albert Penton, Sian Spurgeon; (10th) Beatrice Huntingford, Colin Austin; (11th) Mary Smith, Mabel Mundy, Elizabeth Dyer; (12th) Katherine Ellison, Mary Wrigley

We pray especially for those forced to flee their homes and those who have come or are coming to Wokingham

When the song of the angels is stilled
when the star in the sky is gone
when the kings and princes are home
when the shepherds are back with their flocks
the work of Christmas begins:
to find the lost
to heal the broken
to feed the hungry
to release the prisoner
to rebuild the nations
to bring peace among the people
to make music in the heart.

Clergy			
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

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