

# 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.

## 29<sup>th</sup> January: Candlemas

<b>9.30am</b>	<b>St Paul's</b>	<b>Parish Mass</b>	<b>Fr Richard</b>
		Readings: Hebrews 2.14-end, Luke 2.22-40.	
		Hymns: 33, 338, 44, 391	
		Voluntary: <i>Paeon on 'Divinum Mysterium'</i> by John Cook	
<b>11am</b>	<b>St Nick's</b>	<b>Community Eucharist</b>	<b>Mthr Cara</b>

**Collect** Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Post Communion** Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Week Ahead 30<sup>th</sup> January – 3<sup>rd</sup> February

<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 838 7693 1293	Passcode 254711
<b>Wednesday</b>	8.30am	Zoom	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
		Meeting ID 753 2006 4518	Passcode 024453
	10.30am	17 Martins Drive	<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
	11.30am	West Oak Care Home	<b>Communion</b>
<b>Friday</b>	9am	St Paul's	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
	1.45pm	Parish Rooms	Coffee and Chat
		<i>Come along to chat, and relax with others</i>	

### 5<sup>th</sup> February: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Lent

<b>9.30am</b>	<b>St Paul's</b>	<b>Parish Mass</b>	<b>Mthr Cara</b>
<b>11am</b>	<b>St Nick's</b>	<b>Community Eucharist</b>	<b>Rev'd Judi Hattaway</b>

We're looking for **volunteers to help out with the concerts** we host in church from time to time. All the initial liaison and arrangements are organised through the office - we just need someone who is able to be there on the day when the performers arrive, supervise any furniture moving, make sure they know where they can put things, how to use the microphones, location of fire exits etc. Sometimes the church needs to be locked between the rehearsal and performance and then locked up at the end of the evening (although you don't need to actually attend the concert if you don't want to!). More details available from the office, or from a chat with Teri Austen.

## Notices

### QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 4th February, 6:30 for 6:45pm, Adult £12.50, Child, £6.00, Family £32.00.  
Supper: Fish/Chicken/Sausage/Veggie/chips. BYO drinks and glasses. Please 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: Quiz  
More info from Trish or Alan: [trishgatland@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:trishgatland@hotmail.co.uk) [al\\_harrison@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:al_harrison@hotmail.co.uk)

### Educational Grants from the Parish Rooms Trust

The Parish Rooms Trust awards financial assistance for educational purposes. This includes: financial assistance, outfits, clothing, tools, technology, instruments or books to assist in pursuing a course of education (including music and the arts); undertaking travel in furtherance of education, which would include school trips, residentials and trips to visit university open days; preparation for entering a profession, trade or occupation on leaving school, university or other educational establishment.

Applicants must be under 25 and resident in the Parish or attend (or have attended) any school in the Parish of St Paul, Wokingham. (The parish roughly covers the north and west of the town of Wokingham.) They must be applied for by the individual or (if under 18) a parent or guardian. Applications must demonstrate a clear need for financial assistance and should supply as much evidence as possible, including a supporting letter from the educational establishment where that is appropriate. All applications will be treated in strict confidence.

Application forms can be obtained from The Parish Rooms Secretary via the Parish Office [parish.rooms@spauls.co.uk](mailto:parish.rooms@spauls.co.uk); 0118 334 2668.

**On Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023 the choir will be singing Evensong at Chichester Cathedral at 5.30pm** and once again it would be lovely to have members of the congregation join us.

A coach will be leaving the Parish Rooms car park at 10.30 am and leave Chichester at 8pm, arriving back in Wokingham around 9.30 pm.

The cost is £25.00 per adult and £7.50 per child.

There will a sign-up sheet at the back of church or you can email Rhoda at [prr.treasurer@spauls.org.uk](mailto:prr.treasurer@spauls.org.uk).

As this event is only a matter of a few weeks away, please sign up as soon as possible but by Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> January at the latest; payment in advance would be appreciated. If you would like to make a direct payment, please would you make it to the Parish Rooms bank account:

**St Paul's Parish Room Trust - Sort Code: 20 11 74 - A/c No: 50764582**

If you would prefer to pay by cash or cheque, you can either give it to Rhoda on a Sunday or put the money in an envelope, marked CHICHESTER and drop it in to the Parish Office. Cheques should be made payable to: **St Paul's Parish Room Trust.**

Prayers

**The sick:** Angela; Úna Standen; Albert; Leslie Townsend; Peter, Benjamin, Hugo

**The Recently Departed:** Clifford Cranston, Roy Holmes, Bruce Hargreaves, Mike Swain, Chris Smith, Muriel Pullin, Joyce Oswell

**Year’s Mind:** (29<sup>th</sup>) Henry Walker, Michael Dowling; (30<sup>th</sup>) John Alexander, Peter Wickham; (31<sup>st</sup>) Rev’d Henry Walter, Edward Price; (1<sup>st</sup>) Charles Poole; (4<sup>th</sup>) Ethel Slade, Geoffrey Cox

Gracious and loving God,  
Expand our vision that we might see the mission we share with  
all of our Christian brothers and sisters,  
to show forth the justice and loving kindness of your kingdom.  
Help us to welcome our neighbours as your Son welcomed us.  
Help us to be more generous as we witness to the grace that  
you freely give us. Through Christ Our Lord. **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.

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

Peter Wells	0118 377 6351	peter.wells@spauls.co.uk
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Deputy Churchwarden

Pippa Sutton	07814 347693	pippa.sutton@spauls.co.uk
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Mary Cassidy	0118 979 5096	mary.cassidy@spauls.co.uk
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Church Administrator

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Parish Rooms Administrator

Vanessa Hemmi	0118 334 2668	parish.rooms@spauls.co.uk
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The office in the Parish Rooms is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday  
from 9.30am to 12 noon