

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.

12th February: 2nd Sunday before Lent

8am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Rev'd Jane Kraft
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass Readings: Romans 8.18-25, Matthew 6.25-end Hymns: 377, 401, 276, 436 Voluntary: <i>Toccata (Dix Pièces, no. 4)</i> , by Eugène Gigout	Rev'd Miles Welborn
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Rev'd Cara Smart

Collect Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. **Amen**

Post Communion God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Week Ahead 13th – 17th February

Monday	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
		Meeting ID 753 2006 4518	Passcode 024453
Tuesday	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
	1.15pm	St Paul's	Meditation Group
	7.15pm	Zoom	Bible Study
		Meeting ID 838 7693 1293	Passcode 254711
Wednesday	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
		Meeting ID 753 2006 4518	Passcode 024453
Thursday	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
		Meeting ID 753 2006 4518	Passcode 024453
	11.30am	West Oak Care Home	Communion
Friday	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
	1.45pm	Parish Rooms	Coffee and Chat
		<i>Come along to chat, and relax with others</i>	

Please note there is no House Mass this coming Wednesday

19th February: Sunday next before Lent

9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Rev'd Jane Kraft
		Hymns: 343, 205, Be still, 234	
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Rev'd Jane Kraft
6.15pm	St Paul's	Choral Evensong & Sermon Series	Rev'd Cara Smart

Next Sunday evening will be the first in this year's Sermon Series on 'People Jesus met'. Cara will be preaching, so do come along!

Notices

There will be a collection for the **DEC Turkey-Syria Earthquake Appeal** after this morning's service

Please can you return any palm crosses from last year to the back of church so that they can be burned ready for Ash Wednesday.

Meditation Group Tuesday 14th February,
St Paul's Church.

Arrive from 1pm for 1.15pm start.

Susannah meditationgroup@spauls.org.uk

Ash Wednesday is on the 22nd of Feb- there will be Services with the Imposition of Ashes at 10.30am (House Mass) and then at 8pm at St Paul's.

Please come along to the **LENT LUNCH**

Organised by the Social Committee & Mothers Union

Saturday 11th March 12 noon - 1.30 pm Donations to our Charities

Please sign up at the back of the church or email a Social Committee Chair

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We now have a group of young people who are **thinking of confirmation**. We are starting at Year 6 this year because of the contours of the 5, 6, 7, 8 Group. We will meet on either (you choose which to come to) a Monday on Zoom or on Wednesday in person from the 20th and 22nd of Feb. There is also a separate group for adults on a Thursday morning. Do speak to a member of the clergy for more information or with any questions- the **Confirmation Service will be on the 26th of March at 6.15pm** and promises to be a big service with candidates from 4 or 5 local Churches

There will be a **Day of Reflection for the war in Ukraine** on Friday 24th February from 11.30am-1.30pm at the Cornerstone in Norreys Ave. There will be cake, nibbles and drinks, a time to reflect individually and a short time of prayer. Come along for all of it, or just 10 minutes.

From Alice Buddin: You may know that I have recently started at a brand new vets practice, but being so shiny and new we haven't built up the usual stock of old towels/blankets and newspapers to line kennels and keep our patients clean and warm. If anyone has any at home that they are able to donate I will happily take them off their hands after church on Sunday. Thank you!

In an effort to source the perfect bottle of Sauvignon Blanc, I shall be heading to the other side of the world in a couple of weeks' time (such dedication!). The office will be **closed from Friday 24th February until Monday 20th March** (don't worry, Bertie will be looking after things while I'm away..) I'll be printing a couple of bumper editions of Pews News before I leave, so please let me have anything you'd like to include by **Tuesday 21st February**. *Louise Cole*

Prayers

The sick: Angela; Peter, Benjamin, Hugo, Abbos, Jean Ruddock, Jo Gulliford, Judi Hattaway

The Recently Departed: Roy Holmes, Chris Smith, Muriel Pullin, Joyce Oswell, Patrick Rendell, baby Matt, Irene Dalzell, Reg Ruddock

Year’s Mind: (12th) Andrew Boshier, Ian MacLennan; (13th) Bernard Doney, Ron Alexander; (14th) Frank Dowland; (15th) Peter Bowden; (16th) Alice Barry, Evelyn Thompson; (17th) J. Mortimer Hayes

God of the Earth, of the mountains and the seas,
We lift before you the people of Turkey and Syria,
We pray for help for people who are trapped under rubble.
We pray for shelter for those who have lost their homes.
We pray for comfort for people who are grieving.
We pray for peace for all who are scared and alone.
We pray for the earth to be calm and for the aftershocks to subside.
We pray for those who have already lost so much
and now have another disaster to face.
Give them strength and courage.
Be their fortress, their rock and their refuge.
Amen

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