

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.

19th February: Sunday next before Lent

9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass Readings: Exodus 24.12-end, Matthew 17.1-9 Hymns: 343, 205, Be still, 234	Rev'd Jane Kraft
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Rev'd Jane Kraft
6.15pm	St Paul's	Choral Evensong & Sermon Series	Rev'd Cara Smart

Collect Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Post Communion Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Week Ahead 20th – 25th February

Monday	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
		Meeting ID 753 2006 4518	Passcode 024453
	4.30pm	Zoom	5678 Confirmation
		Meeting ID 822 9615 9100	Passcode 337378
Tuesday	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
	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
	10.30am	10 Ashton Road	House Mass
	3pm	West Oak Care Home	Ash Wednesday service
	8pm	St Paul's	Ash Wednesday Service
Thursday	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
		Meeting ID 753 2006 4518	Passcode 024453
Friday	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
	11.30am	Alexandra Grange Care Home	Communion
	2.15pm	Berkshire Care Home Care Home	Service
	1.45pm	Parish Rooms	Coffee and Chat <i>Come along to chat, and relax with others</i>

26th February: First Sunday of Lent

8am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Fr Richard
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Fr Richard
		Hymns: 67, 74, 382, 414 Voluntary: <i>Praeludium in F Sharp Minor (BuxWV 146)</i> , by Dietrich Buxtehude	
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Mthr Cara

Notices

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

Copies of '**Dust and Glory**', a booklet of daily reflections for Lent from the Church of England, are available from the back of church for £2 each.

Ash Wednesday is this coming Wednesday - 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

Alan al_harrison@hotmail.co.uk

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Soulscape (one of our charities) is holding a coffee morning on **Thursday 23rd February from 10.30-12** at the Baptist Church in Milton Road. As well as coffee and cake, there will be live music and toys for the little ones.

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.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2023

FRIDAY 3RD MARCH 10.30am, ST PAUL'S CHURCH

This year St Paul's is hosting the Wokingham service prepared for the world by women in Taiwan.

DO join us!

We would really like to see many members of our parish at the service.

If you could help with welcoming visitors or serving refreshments afterwards please contact **Teri Austen** (teri@theaustens.uk)

Revision of Electoral Roll

Applications for admission to the Electoral Roll are invited from Sunday 26th February for four weeks; the date for the closure of applications will be Sunday 26th March. If you are already on the ER you do not need to apply, the revision is for brand new applicants only. If you are unsure or have any questions, please speak to Teri Austen or Fr Richard

Just a reminder that the office will be **closed from Friday 24th February until Monday 20th March**. 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*

Prayers

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

The Recently Departed: Joyce Oswell, Patrick Rendell, baby Matt, Irene Dalzell, Reg Ruddock, Mike Griffiths

Year’s Mind: (19th) Cyril Whittaker, Lilian Weaver, Dorothy Jackson; (21st) Dorothy MacLennan; (22nd) George Smith; (23rd) Connie Tyre, Olive Greening; (24th) Paul Limbert, Keith Kewley; (25th) John Hardy-Wrigley, Kathryn Carol, Barbara Whittaker, David Carpenter

We pray for the people of Central Turkey and North West Syria, whose lives have been devastated by the earthquake. Be present, O Lord, our Good Shepherd, to bring comfort, relief, shelter and human kindness. Shield the people who suffer, console those who are bereaved, prosper the provision of relief, strengthen the work of the emergency teams, and shine your light and hope in the midst of despair. 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
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