# **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. You are welcome to receive the bread and the wine, or, if you prefer, to take the bread only.

Communion can be received either at the altar rail or in your pew. Please tell the priest if you need a gluten-free wafer. If you would prefer to receive a prayer of blessing please come forward with everyone else and keep your head bowed at the rail. If you would like to receive communion or a blessing in the pew, please tell one of the welcomers (the people wearing name badges).

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> August: 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

8am St Paul's Low Mass Rev'd Jane Kraft

9.30am St Paul's Parish Mass Mthr Cara
Readings: Leviticus 25.1-22, Matthew 21.28-32
Hymns: 436, 341, 440, 431

11am St Nick's Community Eucharist Rev'd Judi Hattaway

**Collect** Creator God, giver of life, You sustain the earth and direct the nations. In this time of climate crisis grant us clarity to hear the groaning of creation and the cries of the poor; challenge us to change our lifestyles; guide our leaders to take courageous action; enable your church to be a beacon of hope and foster within us a renewed vision of your purposes for your world; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by and for whom all things were made. **Amen** 

**Post** Good God, may the grace of the Sacrament in which we have shared remain in our hearts, so that we, strengthened by it, may accomplish your plan to renew all Creation. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

# The Week Ahead 28th August – 1st September

Monday	No Morning Prayer		
Tuesday	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	8.30am	Zoom Meeting ID 753 2006 4518	Morning Prayer Passcode 024453
Thursday	8.30am	Zoom Meeting ID 753 2006 4518	Morning Prayer Passcode 024453
Friday	9am	St Paul's	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
	11.30am	Alexandra Grange Care Home	Communion
	1.45pm	Parish Rooms	Coffee and Chat
Come along to chat, and relax with others			

3<sup>rd</sup> September: 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

9.30am St Paul's Parish Mass Mthr Cara

& Baptism of Axel Harrison

Hymns: 345, 338, 342, One more step

11am St Nick's Community Eucharist Canon John Edwards

Our annual Bag Blessing service is next Sunday at 9.30am. Bring your school or work bag along to be blessed ready for the new academic year!





White Gift Aid envelopes are available in each pew for visitors. If you're a UK tax payer we can reclaim the tax on the amount you donate, but please remember to fill in your name and address on the envelope. Our QR code can be used for making donations, with the option of Gift Aid. Thank you.

### **Notices**

Our **mini-sermon series** continues this week and we are thinking about young people and protecting the environment.

The funeral of Douglas Stuckey will take place on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September, 12 noon at Easthampstead Park Crematorium.

#### September 9th 2023 - Ride & Stride

This is the annual event to raise money for both the Berkshire Historic Churches Trust and St Paul's Parish.

There is still time to take part as a **Walker** or a **Rider** to visit churches in Berkshire but we particularly need a team of volunteer **Welcomers** in the church to greet people visiting St Paul's Church. As it is also Heritage Weekend there should be more visitors than usual. Welcomers usually cover a one hour slot between 10am and 6pm, so we need at least eight volunteers.

Let me know if you can help by being a Welcomer or if you have now found your bike (or walking shoes) and now wish to take part in this event and visit some of the county's churches.

If you can't help, please sponsor those who are. I will have my sponsorship form at the back of the church after the 9:30 Mass on Sunday 3rd Sept!!

Andrew Harte - rideandstride@spauls.org.uk

## **Games Evening**

We are having a Games Evening on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September for people who are new(ish) to Church or feel that they are still settling in - from 7pm in the Parish Rooms. Do please bring a drink and a favourite (quickish) game and we will provide other games as well as some nibbles. You don't need to say you are coming- just turn up.



#### **QUIET DAY 21 OCTOBER 2023**

Place: St Mary's Winnersh, Time: 10.15 to 4.00

An opportunity to explore ways to encounter God, both when we seek and when we meet Them unexpectedly. More details on the way!

# Wokingham Arts Trail - 16th-17th September 2023

This will be the 12<sup>th</sup> year of the Trail and we have new artists as well as some regular ones participating. The trail takes place across a number of venues in the area and showcases Artists, Jewellers, Ceramicists and Glass. It is open 10.30-5.30 each day and is free to visit. It is an opportunity for visitors to meet the talented artists and view the work, much of which will be for sale.

More details from: www.wokinghamartstrail.co.uk

# **Prayers**

The sick: Jeannie Rendell, Petra Johnstone, Laurence Hart

The Recently Departed: Phil Paine, Douglas Stuckey, John Saunders, Ian Fletcher

**Year's Mind:** (30<sup>th</sup>) Rev'd Joseph Brown; (31<sup>st</sup>) Mark Tildesley, Vivienne Lamey; (1<sup>st</sup>) Kevin Shortland; (2<sup>nd</sup>) Paul Lovesey

Father of everlasting compassion, you see your children growing up in a world of inequality, greed and oppression; help us learn from the mistakes of history, and build a better world where your values are shared by all. Amen

#### Live streaming

Please note that most acts of worship at St Paul's are 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, please ask the sidespeople as you arrive.

#### Clergy

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