

Pews News

St Paul's Church, Wokingham
St Nicholas' Church, Emmbrook



Welcome to this house of prayer. 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 free to contribute and join in.

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). Welcome home.

18th February: First Sunday of Lent

9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Fr Richard
Hymns: 67, 445, Take my life, 74			
Readings: Genesis 9.8-17, Mark 1.9-15			
Anthem: <i>Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts</i> , by Henry Purcell			
Voluntary: <i>Fantasia in C minor (BWV 562)</i> , by Johann Sebastian Bach			
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Fr Richard
6.15pm	St Paul's	Choral Evensong & Sermon Series	Fr Richard

Collect Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; through Jesus Christ your Son 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 God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Week Ahead 19th – 23rd February

Monday	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
		Meeting ID 753 2006 4518	Passcode 024453
	5pm	Zoom	9 to 5 Youth Club
		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	17 Martins Drive	Morning Worship & Prayer Service
	1pm	Parish Rooms Upstairs	Lent Group
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
	12 noon	St Paul's	Stations of the Cross
	1.45pm	Parish Rooms	Coffee and Chat <i>Come along to chat, and relax with others</i>

25th February: Second Sunday of Lent

8am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Fr Richard
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Fr Richard
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Fr Richard

Notices

Choral Evensong and Sermon Series – TODAY

This evening we have Choral Evensong and the first in our series of sermons on **God's masterpiece**. It starts at 6.15pm and is followed by refreshments in Church. Our guest preacher is April Beckerleg, the Vicar of St Nicolas, Earley.

Do come along!

There will be a memorial service and burial of ashes for **Margaret Fielden at St Paul's tomorrow, 19th of Feb at 11.30am** - everyone is welcome.

QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday, 2nd March 6:30 for 6:45pm

Adult £12.50 Child £6 Family £32

Food: Fish/Chicken/Sausage/Veggie/Chips

Bring own drinks and glasses.

Please sign up at 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 information from Trish Gatland

trishgatland@hotmail.co.uk

Quiet Day

...on the theme of **WHY STILLNESS**

Saturday 24th February, 10am-4pm

St James Centre, Finchampstead

For further information and

booking, contact

mary.cassidy@spauls.org.uk

A Confirmation Service with Bishop

Olivia will happen on Sunday the 19th of May at 6.15pm at St Paul's - if you haven't been confirmed but would like to find out more information please speak to Fr Richard or Louise Cole.

Don't forget the **Stations of the Cross** at midday every Friday in Lent, as well as the **conversations around the Church of England's Lent Book** on a Wednesday in the upstairs Parish Room at 1pm and the **Diocesan Come and See** resource which is a helpful and encouraging daily email with the odd video to watch.

Corpus Christi are inviting us to **Belong and Believe**, a 5 week course on our Celtic roots - Tuesday the 20th of Feb to 19th March (inclusive) from 7.30 to 9pm at the Keenan Rooms, part of the church on Sturges Road. Fr Richard is going to the first of them to help make everyone feel welcome! For further details, use the link below to register your interest, or contact Louise in the office.

<https://forms.fillout.com/t/gAv9X2HchLus>

Music for Springtime

The next performance in our organ recital series will be on **Sat 9th March at 11.30am**. There will be a retiring collection in aid of the St Paul's church organ restoration, to address the pedal action renewal.

The **Lent Lunch** will be served in the Parish Rooms following the recital. To book lunch, please email church.office@spauls.co.uk

Prayers

The sick: Lynette Dooner, Brian, Cara Smart, Ailsa Harvey, Alan Harrison, Jane Kraft, Mark, Colin Armitage

The Recently Departed: Sheila Gambrell, Margaret Gerlach, John Bunby, Barbara Woods

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

Make in us new and contrite hearts, O God,
that we turn our money into bread for our
neighbour as we journey towards Easter,
and prepare to kneel at the foot of the Cross.

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

Fr Richard Lamey	0118 327 9116	rector@spauls.co.uk	Rest Day Sat
Mthr Cara Smart (part-time)	0118 901 4365	cara.smart@spauls.co.uk	Rest Days Mon,Sat
Rev'd Judi Hattaway	0118 976 1197	judihattaway@mac.com	Rest Day Fri
Rev'd Jane Kraft	01276 36402	revd.janekraft@btinternet.com	Rest Day Fri

Churchwardens

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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**