

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.

17th March: 5th Sunday of Lent/Passiontide

9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Fr Richard
		& Baptism of Thomas Sutton	

Hymns: 239, 90, 82, 83

Readings: Jeremiah 31.31-34 and John 12.20-33.

Anthem: *Wir setzen uns (St Matthew Passion, BWV 244)*, by J. S. Bach

Voluntary: *Passacaglia in D minor (BuxWV 161)*, by Dietrich Buxtehude

11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Mthr Cara
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6.15pm	St Paul's	Choral Evensong	Fr Richard
		& Sermon Series	

Collect Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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 Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Week Ahead 18th – 23rd March

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
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
	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>

24th March: Palm Sunday

8am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Fr Richard
9.05am	<i>Procession of Palms from St Paul's Junior School</i>		
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Fr Richard
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Rev'd Judi Hattaway
6.15pm	St Paul's	Readings and Music for Holy Week	Fr Richard

Notices

As part of our **Eco Church** commitment to environmental stewardship, we plan to run a '**Carbon Literacy For Congregations**' course each Thursday evening in May (except Ascension Day on 9 May) 7:30-9:30pm in the Parish Rooms. It will be facilitated by a couple of members of our congregation. The course is designed by the Carbon Literacy Project (<https://carbonliteracy.com>) and tailored for churches from an approach used in many different work and community settings. It is free, though a £10 contribution is suggested to offset running costs. Participants can submit a short written exercise to obtain a certificate of carbon literacy, though this is optional. Please reserve your place with Louise Cole in the Parish Office, or speak to Christopher Cipkin (organist at St Paul's) for more information.

EASTER SUNDAY BREAKFAST

31st March 7.30 - 9.30 a.m.

Donations to our 3 Charities

Please sign up at the back of the Church
or Contact Trish/Co Chair Social

Committee: trishgatland@hotmail.co.uk

As in previous years **Easter Lilies** can be purchased in memory of loved ones or as a donation to the cost. The cost is £3.00 per lily. Donations and names by Sunday 24th March. Donations can be left at the Parish Office. *Sue Davenport*

There will be a **Coffee Morning on Saturday 18th May for Christian Aid**. I will be running a **plant stall** at the event, so I should be very grateful if you would put a few extra seeds in your sowing tray or pot up a piece of your perennials when you divide them in the spring and let me have the spares. I am happy to collect beforehand, or you might prefer to bring them along on the day when you come to support the coffee morning. Thank you. *Teri Austen*

A number of **unidentified boxes and bags containing books and toys** have been left in the downstairs store room of the Parish Rooms. They don't belong to any of our hirers, so if no-one claims them this week, they will be disposed of. Please let Vanessa know ASAP if you would like to rehome any of them!

I am running a tombola stall at the Christian Aid Coffee Morning on 18th May and I would be very grateful for suitable items to put on the stall. *Liz Gallagher* lizgallagher1952@gmail.com

The choir will be singing **Evensong in Southwark Cathedral on 27th April**. There's a sign up sheet for the coach at the back of church, or contact Rhoda to book a place: [prt.treasurer@spauls.org.uk](mailto:pri.treasurer@spauls.org.uk). Adults £22.50, children £7.50. **BACs: St Paul's Parish Room Trust Sort Code: 20 11 74 A/c No: 50764582 Reference: Choir Southwark.**

If you reside in the parish or are a regular attendee at church you are invited to apply for admission to the **Electoral Roll**. Forms may be obtained from the sides persons, the Parish Office or Teri Austen. If you already have your name on the Electoral Roll, you do not need to apply afresh this year but, if your details have changed, please fill in a new application form.

Prayers

The sick: Brian, Cara Smart, Ailsa Harvey, Jane Kraft, Mark, Colin Armitage, Brian Harrington, Wendy Gooding

The Recently Departed: Derek Cann, Scott Graham, Peter Morgan, Liz Spooner, Annabelle Greenwood, Dick Ansell

Year's Mind: (17th) John Eves, Stanley Goodman; (18th) Rev'd Tim Brookfield, Mary English; (19th) Florence Butler; (20th) Charles Foy; (21st) Rhoda Gregory, Gill Clark, Audrey Bennetts; (23rd) Billy Henderson, Dennis Gambrell, Joy Haddrell

Loving Lord, let us not stand aside and tolerate lack of basic human resources, dehumanising practices, or the use of violence to disempower your people. Give us strength to act and challenge hatred, and instead bring your justice and mercy. In your name we humbly ask that we may be a channel for your peace and love. **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

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