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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.

5th May: Fifth Sunday after Easter

9.30am St Paul's Parish Mass Fr Richard

Readings: Acts 10.44-end, John 15.9-17

Hymns: 486, 420, 315, 375

Anthem: A Gaelic Blessing, by John Rutter

Voluntary: Alleluya: Festal Postlude on 'Lasst uns erfreuen',

by William Faulkes

11am St Nick's Community Eucharist Fr Richard

Collect Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

Post Communion God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**

The Week Ahead 6th – 10th May

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 **Morning Prayer** St Paul's 9am Wednesday 8.30am Zoom **Morning Prayer** Meeting ID 753 2006 4518 Passcode 024453 17 Martins Drive 10.30am **House Mass Thursday** 8.30am Zoom **Morning Prayer** Meeting ID 753 2006 4518 Passcode 024453 8pm St Paul's **Ascension Day Service** St Paul's **Friday** 9am **Morning Prayer** Coffee and Chat 1.45pm Parish Rooms Come along to chat, and relax with others

12th May: Sixth Sunday after Easter

8am St Paul's Low Mass Fr Richard

9.30am St Paul's Parish Mass Mthr Cara

Readings: Acts 1.15-17, 21-end, John 17.6-19

Hymns: 130, 352, 419, 134

11am St Nick's Community Eucharist Fr Richard



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

Sat the 11th of May: Deanery Event with Bishop Olivia in Reading for everyone who cares about the church's connection with and support of and care for **young people and children-** do book a place if you would like to go along. Tickets are available on Eventbrite- just search for **Reading & Sonning Deanery Day:**

Children and Young People

Also on Saturday 11th May at 5pm there will be a special service of Evensong sung by Coro42... Coro42 is a choir made up of former choral scholars and keen amateur singers in their 20s and 30s. The choir sings evensong at churches and cathedrals around the South East several times a year, performing a diverse repertoire of male and female composers from across the ages. They are delighted to be making their first visit to Wokingham, and will be singing classic repertoire by Victoria and Walmisley, plus a stunning modern anthem by Sarah Quartel. It will be half an hour of beautiful music and all are very welcome.

Choir - Thank you

It is always a joy and a privilege to sing Evensong at some of our beautiful cathedrals but these events are even more pleasurable due to the support we receive from those of you who join us on these occasions.

A big THANK YOU to all of you who have joined us in the past and more recently to Bristol and Southwark.

We really do appreciate the support you give us.

The next **Social Evening** is on the **12th of May** in the Parish Rooms from 7pm – do being a drink and your **favourite game** and we will offer a room, tables and some nibbles. Why not bring along your tithings group and play some games together?

This year's service for **Christian Aid Week** will be on **Sunday 12th May, 6pm at All Saints Church,** followed by the AGM of Churches Together in Wokingham.

The **Parish BBQ** is being moved to the **23rd of June**.

Fr Richard's Final Sunday will be on the 14th of July- a 9.30 service followed by an afternoon of picnics and rounders on a school field, probably - details TBC.

Richard's licensing at Norwich Cathedral will be at 3.30pm, Sunday 15th September.

The Christian Aid Coffee Morning will be taking place on Saturday 18th May from 10.45pm in the Parish Rooms. Donations very welcome for the plant stall (Teri Austen) and the tombola (Liz Gallagher).

Prayers

The sick: Brian, Cara Smart, Ailsa Harvey, Wendy Gooding, Harry, Janice, Tim, Joy, Peter, Sylvia Smith, Anne Lee, Colin, Joy Hardy, Claire Tilson The Recently Departed: Pauline Dibb, David Holdway, Fr John Clarkson, Eureka Neblett,

Edith Nicol, Barbara Bench, Susan Knapp

Year's Mind: (6th) Lillian Dowling, John Woodhams; (7th) Margaret Chandler, Evelyn Luker, Annie Moxon, John Bingham; (8th) Mary Biddle; (9th) Charles Marley, Mollie Taylor; (10th) Frank Lake, Joyce Hunter; (11th) William Biddle, Jack Connell

Your ascended Son has sent us into the world to preach the good news of Your Kingdom: inspire us with Your Spirit and fill our hearts with the fire of Your love, that all who hear Your Word may be drawn to You, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

Almighty God,

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