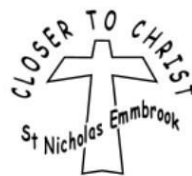


Pews News

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.

10th August: 8th Sunday after Trinity

9.30am St Paul's Parish Mass Bishop Mary

Organ Prelude: *Petit Pièce* (W. 313); *Petit Prélude* (W. 319)
- Joseph Jongen

Hymns: 470, 578, 490, 528

Readings: Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16, Luke 12.32-40

Communion: *Méditation* - Maurice Duruflé

Voluntary: *Nu la oss takke Gud* - Egil Hovland

11am St Nick's Community Eucharist Fr Roy Burgess

Collect Lord God, your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever. **Amen**

The Week Ahead 11th – 15th August

Monday	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
		Meeting ID 967 8096 6787	Passcode 967885
Tuesday	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
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Thursday	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
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	4pm	St Paul's	Meditation Group
Friday	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
	11.30am	Alexandra Grange Care Home	Communion
	1.45pm	Parish Rooms	Coffee and Chat
		<i>Come along to chat, and relax with others</i>	

17th August: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8am	St Paul's	Low Mass	
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Rev'd Jane Kraft
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Rev'd Judi Hattaway

Saturday, 11th October Choir Singing Evensong at Portsmouth Cathedral - 5.45pm
 Once again the choir will be singing Evensong at a cathedral and if any of you would like to come with us, we would love to have your support. A coach will leave Wokingham (Parish Room car park) at 10.00 am and leave Portsmouth at 7.45 pm.
The cost will be no more than £25.00 per adult, hopefully less, £7.50 per child – cost depends on numbers. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church or you can email Rhoda at rhoda297@gmail.com.



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



Janet and David Charlton invite you to join them in the Parish Rooms after church next Sunday to celebrate their **Diamond Wedding Anniversary** – there will be cake and fizz!

Meditation Group is at 4-5pm on Thursday 14th August in St Paul's Church.

Do come and join us. Any questions, please email me:

mediationgroup@spauls.org.uk Susannah Riley

Music for a Summer Evening – Sunday 17th August, 6.15pm

Come and hear music by Bach, Rheinberger, Guilment and others inspired by travel and holidays away from home, performed by our brilliant organist Christopher Cipkin. Admission is free – there will be a retiring collection in aid of St Paul's organ maintenance fund. Refreshments will be served after the performance.

BOOKING NOW OPEN!

MEETING WITH GOD THROUGH TREES:



Wednesday 17th September 2025 10:15 am to 3.30 pm

St James Centre, Finchampstead RG40 4LU

A guided **Quiet Day**, to consider how we can meet with God through the trees of His glorious creation. Email mary.cassidy@spauls.org.uk to reserve your place

Ride & Stride 2025

It's not long now before this year's Ride & Stride Day to raise money for **Berkshire Historic Churches Trust**. This year it will take place on **Saturday 13th September**.

We need:

PARTICIPANTS – Could you walk, ride or cycle between some churches in Wokingham, Reading or anywhere else in our county? You can do as few or as many as you like. It is a great opportunity to visit some of the churches in and beyond our area.

WELCOMERS – Anyone who has participated knows that it is nice to be greeted when you arrive at a church and to have someone to speak to there. Could you help by spending an hour in St Paul's on the day to welcome any visitors to our church?

SPONSORS – If you cannot participate, please sponsor the people Riding & Striding for St Paul's. As well as raising money for the Berkshire Historic Churches Trust, half of the money raised is returned to St Pauls.

It would be really good to have some new cyclists taking part from St Paul's. So, if you have a bike, please think about being a participant. A number of other churches organise groups of walkers who visit churches together, rather than taking part as individuals, and a few have a cycle group as well.

If you can take part as a Rider or Strider (either on your own or as part of a group), or be in the church as a Welcomer, please speak to, or contact, Andrew Harte:

rideandstride@spauls.org.uk

Prayers

The sick: Tim, Chloe Zarb, Graham and Pat Reed, Jeff, Una Standen, Margaret Carver, Rev'd Ann Gibbs, Maureen, Rod

Recently departed: Christine, William Botwright, (baby) Millie Vella, Gerald Harvey, Margaret Morsman, Tara

Year's Mind: (10th) Meg Corfe; (11th) May Snell, Kathleen Chafen, Lesley Watson; (12th) Paul Rogers, Frankie Phillips-Jones; (14th) Fredrick Henle, Margaret Bryan; (15th) Alexander Glendenning, Elizabeth Churchill; (16th) Patricia Moodie

O God of all hope and peace,
we bring to you the needs of our broken and hurting world.
Our hearts are breaking with images of lives lost and torn apart by grief in Israel and Palestine.
We pray for an end to violence and warfare so that the challenging work of rebuilding may begin.
Help us, O Lord, to affirm our common humanity so that in our differences we may build together for justice and peace. In 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.

Clergy

Mthr Cara Smart (part-time)	0118 901 4365	cara.smart@spauls.co.uk	Rest Days Mon,Sat
Rev'd Judi Hattaway (part-time)		judihattaway@mac.com	Rest Day Fri
Rev'd Jane Kraft (part-time)		revd.janekraft@btinternet.com	Rest Day Fri

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Parish Rooms Administrator

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