

Pews News

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



8 February 2026: 2nd Sunday before Lent

9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Fr Sam
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Fr Sam
3pm	St Nick's	Taizé Service	

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.

Notices

- ¶ **Taizé service** This afternoon at 3pm in the Village Hall. All are welcome to this peaceful, reflective service, led by Susannah and Vernon. There will be tea, cake and fellowship afterwards.
- ¶ **Palm crosses** Please put any palm crosses from last year into the basket at the back of church so that they can be burnt ready for Ash Wednesday.
- ¶ **Drinks at Evensong** This year's Evensong sermon series is on the Seven Deadly Sins. At Evensong we have drinks after the service, giving an opportunity to speak with the preacher and enjoy time together. We need people who can help with providing the refreshments. A budget is provided but we need someone each time to get the drinks and food and serve. Could you help? We need people to cover March 15, July 19, and November 15. Please get in touch with Lesley (lesley_ruddock@hotmail.co.uk) if you are able to help.
- ¶ **South Coast Macmillan Mighty Hike** I have signed up to walk the distance of a marathon along the Brighton coast on 13th June to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. I'm doing it as part of a team with two of my sisters-in-law as unfortunately like so many others we have close friends and family who have had to battle cancer. If anyone would like to sponsor me I would be very grateful either by good old fashioned sponsor form in church or via my justgiving page. *Alice Buddin*

9.30am Parish Mass

Organ prelude *Sonata in F minor (II), Op 65 No.1* Felix Mendelssohn

Opening hymn 237 'Tis good, Lord, to be here

Collect

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.

First reading

Genesis 1.1-2.3

The creation of the world from the opening of the book of Genesis

Gospel

Matthew 6.25-34

'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink,^{*} or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life?^{*} And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God^{*} and his^{*} righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

'So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

Offertory hymn 359 All creatures of our God and King

448 Lord of beauty, thine the splendour

Anthem A *Gaelic Blessing* Rutter

Post-communion prayer

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Final hymn

363 Christ whose glory filled the skies

Voluntary

Prelude from Prelude and Fugue in G minor, BWV535 J.S.Bach

For our prayers

In need of our prayers Jeff, Anne Kingston, Andy Hennigan, Chris Townsend, Donna Jackson, Anne and Alf Hellings, Susan Gearie, Raymond Boncey, Peter Ansell, Adrian Talbot, Tatiana, Kate, Ulrike Lamb, Jane, Ron

Recently departed Sylvia Smith, Pauline Whitfield

Year's mind (9th) Evelyn Tucker, Michelle Dorey; (10th) Rose Knapp, Stan Giddings, Craig Brombley; (12th) Andrew Bosher, Ian MacLennan; (13th) Bernard Doney, Ron Alexander; (14th) Frank Dowland

Weddings Matthew & Imogen and Sam & Hannah who were married at St Paul's in the past week

Gift Aid

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.



This week

Monday	8.30am 5.15pm	Zoom St Paul's	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer
Tuesday	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
	5.15pm	St Paul's	Evening Prayer
	7.15pm	Zoom	Bible Study Meeting ID 838 7693 1293 Passcode 254711
Wednesday	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	10.30am	17 Martins Drive	House Mass
	5.15pm	St Paul's	Evening Prayer
Thursday	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	4pm	St Paul's	Meditation Group
	5.15pm	St Paul's	Evening Prayer
Friday	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
	11.30am	Alexandra Grange	Communion
	1.45pm	Parish Rooms	Coffee & Chat

Morning Prayer on Zoom uses Meeting ID 967 8096 6787 Passcode 967885

15 February: Last Sunday before Lent

8am	St Paul's	BCP Mass	Fr Sam
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass <i>Exodus 24.12-18, Matthew 17.1-9</i>	Fr Sam
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Rev'd Judi Hattaway
6.15pm	St Paul's	Choral Evensong	Fr Sam

Contacts

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