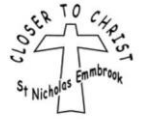


# Pews News

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



## 05 April 2026: Easter Day

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6am	St Paul's	First Mass of Easter	Fr Sam
8am	St Paul's	BCP Mass	Fr Sam
9.30am	St Paul's	All Together Mass	Fr Sam
11am	St Nick's	Easter Eucharist	Rev'd Judi Hattaway

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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.

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### Notices

¶ **Meditation Group** Thursday 9 April 4pm for 4.15pm start in the Rapsey Room

¶ **APCM Sunday 26 April 2026 to be held in the Parish Rooms at 5pm**

Anyone on the Electoral Roll is invited to attend the meeting. At the meeting we will need to elect or re-elect two churchwardens for St Paul's, 4 Deanery Synod Reps and up to 5 PCC members. If you are interested in any of these roles and have been on the Electoral Roll for at least 6 months, please speak to Fr Sam, Lesley or one of the churchwardens as soon as possible and complete a nomination form. PCC meetings are held 6 times a year on Monday evenings. If you wish to raise a matter under 'Any Other Business', please let Fr Sam or Lesley know by the Sunday before the meeting (19 April 2026). It is also helpful if any questions on the annual report could be submitted in advance to allow us to give a full answer.

The papers for the meeting and the nomination forms are all available on our website and in hard copy at the back of church.

Please consider whether you are called to stand, and pray for the life and work of the PCC, its effectiveness, commitment and openness to the guidance of God. Tea and coffee will be served at the start of the meeting.

*Lesley Ruddock, PCC Secretary*

## 9.30am Parish Mass

Organ prelude

*Variations on an Easter theme - Rutter*

Opening hymn

147 Jesus Christ is risen today

### Collect

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

### First reading

Acts 10.34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

### Gospel

John 10.1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." ' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

**Offertory hymn** 156 The day of resurrection

**Communion hymn** 157 The Lord is risen indeed

**Anthem** *Greater love hath no man* - Ireland

### **Post-communion prayer**

God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Final hymn** 159 Thine be the glory

**Voluntary** *Final (First Symphony, op. 14) - Vienne*

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**In need of our prayers** Jeff, Anne Kingston, Chris Townsend, Peter Ansell, Graham and Pat Reed, Una Standen, Tatiana, Adrian Talbot, Christine Havercan, Colin Lewis, Liz Pennell, Matthew Hay, John and Jenny Ellerbeck, Chloe Zarb, Jo Gulliford, David Baldock, Christopher Mc Kinley, John Yagoob, Rose Wadham

**Recently departed** Lawrence Simmonds, Heather Mills, Lynda Occardi

**Year's Mind** (29<sup>th</sup>) Susan Herbert; (30<sup>th</sup>) June Vogel; (31<sup>st</sup>) Edward Davies, Frederick Edwards; (1<sup>st</sup>) Mary Smith, Arthur Claydon, Kathleen Douthwaite, Irene Dowland, John Slow; (2<sup>nd</sup>) Geraldine Townsend, Jean and Brian Saunders; (3<sup>rd</sup>) Spencer Moxon, David Koh; (4<sup>th</sup>) Diane Harrison, Edna Priest

**Banns of marriage** Mark Sheldon and Eugenia Miller

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## This week

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<b>Monday</b>	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
<b>Tuesday</b>	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
<b>Wednesday</b>	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	10.30am	10 Ashton Road	Morning Worship & Prayer
<b>Thursday</b>	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	4pm	Parish Rooms	Meditation Group
<b>Friday</b>	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer

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

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## 12 April: Second Sunday of Easter

<b>9.30am</b>	<b>St Paul's</b>	<b>Parish Mass</b> <i>Acts 2.14a,22-32, John 20.19-31</i>	<b>Rev'd Graham Theobald</b>
<b>11am</b>	<b>St Nick's</b>	<b>Community Eucharist</b>	<b>By extension</b>

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## Contacts

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*Parish Safeguarding Officer*

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## Electoral Roll

The Electoral Roll has been revised and an abridged list of those admitted is published in the porch. Please could you check that your name is there, especially if you have recently applied. If you would like to check that all your details are correct, I will have a full list with me in church. *Teri Austen*

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