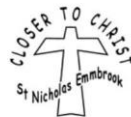


# Pews News

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



## 12 April 2026: Second Sunday of Easter

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9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Rev'd Graham Theobald
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	<i>By extension</i>

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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

- ¶ **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). 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*
- ¶ **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.*

## 9.30am Parish Mass

**Organ prelude**

*Selected variations on Victimae Paschali Laudes - Spedding*

**Opening hymn**

140 Alleluya! Alleluya!

**Collect**

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**First reading**

Acts 2.14a,22-32

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, "I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence." 'Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, "He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption." This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

**Gospel**

John 20.19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of

the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.' A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

**Offertory hymn**

157 The Lord is risen indeed!

**Third hymn**

386 Let all mortal flesh keep silence

**Communion**

*Jesus, meine Zuversicht (Easter Sonata, op. 62, no. 4) - Herzog*

**Post-communion prayer**

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Final hymn**

151 Love's redeeming work is done

**Voluntary**

*Maestoso: 'Christ ist erstanden' (Easter Sonata, op. 62, no. 4) - Herzog*

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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, John and Jenny Ellerbeck, Chloe Zarb, Jo Gulliford, Christopher Mc Kinley, John Yagoob, Rose Wadham, Simon Judge, Paul, Chris

**Recently departed** Lynda Occardi, David Baldock

**Year's Mind** (14<sup>th</sup>) Tony Eggleston; (15<sup>th</sup>) Rev'd David Nowers, Rose Thatcher, Canon Ken Humphries; (16<sup>th</sup>) Michael Musto, Simon Winkley, Marion Welsh; (17<sup>th</sup>) Rev'd Edward King-Salter, Nellie Butcher, Mollie Stovin, Jean Potter; (18<sup>th</sup>) Katie Tomlin, Erica Goodman

**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
	5.15pm	St Paul's	Evening Prayer
<b>Tuesday</b>	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
	5.15pm	St Paul's	Evening Prayer
	7.15pm	Zoom	Bible Study
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<b>Wednesday</b>	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	10.30am	17 Martins Drive	Morning Worship & Prayer
	5.15pm	St Paul's	Evening Prayer
<b>Thursday</b>	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	5.15pm	St Paul's	Evening Prayer
<b>Friday</b>	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
	1.45pm	Parish Rooms	Coffee & Chat

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

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## 19 April: Third Sunday of Easter

8am	St Paul's	BCP Mass	Fr Sam
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass <i>Acts 2.14a,36-41, Luke 24.13-35</i>	Fr Sam
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Fr Sam
6.15pm	St Paul's	Choral Evensong	Fr Sam

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