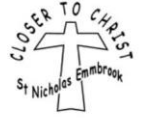


Pews News

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



5 July 2026: Trinity V

8am	St Paul's	BCP Mass	Fr Sam
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Rev'd Cara Smart
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Rev'd Helen Charlton

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

- ¶ **Meditation Group** will meet on Thursday 9 July, 4 for 4.15pm in St Paul's Church. All welcome. Susannah meditationgroup@spauls.org.uk.
- ¶ **"Jubilate Deo!"** A concert in celebration of 500 years of sacred music. **Saturday 11 July 7pm.** St Paul's Choir, Louise and Christopher would like to invite you to an evening of popular choral anthems and organ music spanning the last 500 years. This promises to be a fantastic evening of music followed by fellowship and refreshments in true St Paul's fashion! Please bring your friends and family. Donations will go towards the St Paul's choral foundation and organ fund.
- ¶ **Wokingham Art Society exhibition: Saturday 18 July – Saturday 1 August** Sign-up sheets for Refreshments Rota Volunteers (for kitchen and serving duty each day) are back at St Paul's, together with a sheet for offers of delicious baked contributions! Plenty of gaps to be filled, in particular on **Sat 18 July** when a large number of regular stalwart supporters will be in Wales supporting Fr John! As you know, the money from the teas goes into church funds, and the refreshments are much appreciated by stewards and visitors alike. We rely on YOUR SUPPORT! Thank you
- ¶ **Office opening hours** may be somewhat variable while the building works are happening, so if you need to come in for something, please just give me a call or drop me an email first so that you don't have a wasted journey! Louise

¶ On the Day - Newport Cathedral, Saturday 18th July, Fr John's Mass.

The coach will arrive at the Parish Rooms at **9am** and leave for Newport at **9.15am**. Car parking is always a bit of a concern so if you can car share or walk to the Parish Rooms that would be helpful but if you are bringing your car, please park to the right of the car park as you come in, the far end, as we usually do. Thank you. Any problems, email rhoda297@gmail.com

9.30am Parish Mass

Organ prelude *Allegro from Trio Sonata no.1 in E flat (BWV 525iii) - Bach*

Opening hymn 498 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First reading

Romans 7.15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with my mind I am a slave to the law of God, but with my flesh I am a slave to the law of sin.

Gospel

Matthew 11.16-19,25-30

'But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another, "We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn." For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He has a demon"; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, "Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!" Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.' At that time Jesus said, 'I

thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. 'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

Offertory hymn

439 At the name of Jesus

Communion hymn

392 Now let us from this table rise

Anthem

View me Lord, a work of thine - Lloyd

Post-communion prayer

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Final hymn

575 There's a wideness in God's mercy

Voluntary

Allegro from Concerto in C (BWV 594iii) - Vivaldi; arr. Bach

In need of our prayers Jeff, Anne Kingston, Chris Townsend, Peter Ansell, Graham and Pat Reed, Una Standen, Tatiana, Chloe Zarb, Judy MacLennan, Leslie Townsend, Gillian Fitzwilliam, Adrian Talbot, Clive Boys, Margaret Carver, Liz Spencer, Patrick McElroy, Jules Beaven, Dominic Charlton, (baby) Rory Andrews, Johny, Royston, Irina, Nadezda, Konstantin

Year's Mind (5th) Heather Pitman; (6th) Henry Weaver, Peter Appleford; (7th) Philip Russell, Joan Hewitt, Mick Hattaway; (9th) Danny Henderson, Dorothy Newton; (10th) Jessie Woods; (11th) Dave Creasy, Kathleen Moore

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	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	5.15pm	St Paul's	Evening Prayer
Tuesday	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
	5.15pm	St Paul's	Evening Prayer
	7.15pm	Zoom	Bible Study
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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
	1.45pm	Parish Rooms	Coffee & Chat

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

12 July: Trinity VI

9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass <i>Romans 8.1-11, Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23</i>	Fr Sam
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Fr Sam

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