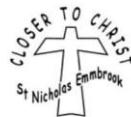


Pews News

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



26 July 2026: Trinity VIII

9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Fr Sam
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Fr Sam

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

- ¶ **Coffee & Chat** will be held at **Emmbrook Village Hall** this Friday – Emmbrook Rd, RG41 1JN. There is a small car park and also roadside parking. Bus Nos 122, 202, 244 & 151a stop near the hall. Please let us know if you need help with transport.
- ¶ **Fr Tony Kemp's Funeral: – Tuesday, 4th August at 11.30 am at St Mary's Church, Hayling Island.** We are looking into the possibility of booking a coach to take people to Fr Tony's Funeral but viability and cost depends on how many people are interested in taking the coach. Assuming viability, the cost will be no more than £30 per person but could be less. Departure from the Parish Rooms would be at 09.15 and the return from Hayling Island would be at 15.00. If you are interested in taking the coach and haven't already responded to the Bertie email, please would you sign the list at the back of church.
Many thanks, Rhoda. (rhoda297@gmail.com)
- ¶ This year celebrates the **150th Anniversary of the founding of the Mothers' Union** and, to mark this anniversary, St Paul's branch is planning to take a small part in the 9.30am service on Sunday 9 August, followed by lunch in the parish rooms. We should be pleased if members of the congregation would join us for lunch on this day, particularly if you would like to know more about the work of the Mothers' Union. There will be no charge for the lunch, but a donation to the MU charities would be appreciated. In addition, we are delighted that

Rev Jane Kraft, who is a Diocesan Member of the Mothers' Union, will be conducting the service. 9 August is doubly appropriate, as we also remember on this day, Mary Sumner, the lady who inspired this movement in 1876.

Please **RSVP** by 1 August to teri@theaustens.uk

- ¶ **Organ Recital Sunday 16 August** Christopher Cipkin will be giving a recital on theme of 'Anniversaries, Birthdays and Commemorations', covering 300 years of music from England and North America by Burney, SS Wesley, WT Best, Darke, Carter, Bédard, and Groom te Velde. There will be a retiring collection for the organ fund. Refreshments will be served at the end of the concert.
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9.30am Parish Mass

Organ prelude

Voluntary no. 1 in A major - Maurice Greene

Opening hymn

378 For the beauty of the earth

Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; 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 8.26-39

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, 'For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.' No, in all these things we

are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel

Matthew 13.31-33,44-52

He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.' He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.' 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. 'Have you understood all this?' They answered, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.'

Offertory hymn

461 Father, hear the prayer we offer

Third hymn

428 All my hope on God is founded

Communion Music

Angels, ever bright and fair (from Theodora) - G. F. Handel

Post-communion prayer

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.

Final hymn

337 Glory to thee, who safe has kept

Voluntary

March (King's Birthday Ode, 1769) - William Boyce

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, Adrian Talbot, Clive Boys, Margaret Carver, Liz Spencer, Dominic Charlton, Judi Hattaway, Michael Froude

Recently departed Wendy Sherman, Fr Tony Kemp, Patrick McElroy

Year's Mind (26th) William Clayton, Rosemary Hasleham, John Brennan;
(27th) Hilda Denny, Alan Milligan; (28th) Reginald Smart, Mary Yeomans;
(29th) Doris Brant, Harry Glendenning; (1st) Elizabeth Cornish

This week

Monday	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
Tuesday	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
	10.30am	10 Ashton Road	Morning Worship & Prayer
Thursday	8.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer
Friday	9am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer
	1.45pm	Emmbrook Village Hall	Coffee & Chat

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

02 August: Trinity IX

8am	St Paul's	BCP Mass	Canon John Edwards
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass <i>Isaiah 55.1-5, Matthew 14.13-21</i>	Canon John Edwards
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	By extension

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