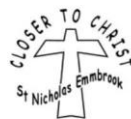


Pews News

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



9 August 2026: Trinity X & MU 150th Anniversary

9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Rev'd Jane Kraft
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** meets on Thursday 13 August, 4 for 4.15pm in St Paul's Church. All welcome. Do email me for further details:
meditationgroup@spauls.org.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.
- ¶ **Ride & Stride 2026** It's not long now before this year's Ride & Stride Day to raise money for Berkshire Historic Churches Trust. This year it will take place on **Saturday 12 September**. The Berkshire Historic Churches Trust raises money to help maintain the structure and fabric of churches across Berkshire, through the provision of grants towards repairs and renovations. Ride & Stride is the annual fundraising event for all of the Historic Churches Trusts across the UK. We need:
 - Participants** - You can do as few or as many churches as you like. It is a great opportunity to visit some of the churches in and beyond our area.
 - Welcomers** - Could you help by spending an hour in St Paul's on the day to welcome any visitors to our church?
 - Sponsors** - As well as raising money for the Berkshire Historic Churches Trust, half of the money raised is returned to St Paul's.

If you can take part in any way, please contact Andrew Harte:

rideandstride@spauls.org.uk

- ¶ **Choir singing Evensong at Rochester Cathedral Saturday 26 September 3.15pm.** As ever, the choir would really appreciate members of the congregation joining us and a coach is being organised. It will leave Wokingham at 9.15am, arriving in Rochester at approx. 11.15am and leave Rochester at 5.30pm, arriving back in Wokingham at 7.30pm approx. The cost will be somewhere between £22 and £30 for adults, £10 for Children. There will be a sign-up sheet at the back of church or you can email Rhoda at rhoda297@gmail.com
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9.30am Parish Mass

Organ prelude

Elevazione - Domenico Zipoli

Opening hymn

470 God is love; let heaven adore him

Collect

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First reading

Ephesians 3.14-24

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

Gradual hymn

378 For the beauty of the earth

Gospel

Matthew 5.13-16

‘You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. ‘You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Mary Sumner Prayer

All this day, O Lord, let me touch as many lives as possible for thee;
and every life I touch, do thou by thy spirit quicken,
whether through the word I speak, the prayer I breathe, or the life I live. Amen

Offertory hymn

513 Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided

Communion Music

Prière (op. 158) - Camille Saint-Saëns (arr. Setchell)

Post-communion prayer

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Final hymn

283 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord

Voluntary

Postlude on 'Blaenwern' - Richard Elfyn Jones

In need of our prayers Jeff, Anne Kingston, Chris Townsend, Peter Ansell, Graham and Pat Reed, Una Standen, Tatiana, Chloe Zarb, Leslie Townsend, Adrian Talbot, Clive Boys, Margaret Carver, Liz Spencer, Dominic Charlton, Judi Hattaway, Michael Froude, Hannah Bull & baby George

Recently departed Fr Tony Kemp, Patrick McElroy

Year's Mind (9th) Evgeny Synytskiy, Douglas Stuckey; (10th) Meg Corfe; (11th) May Snell, Kathleen Chafen, Lesley Watson; (12th) Paul Rogers, Frankie Phillips-Jones; (14th) Fredrick Henle, Margaret Bryan; (15th) Alexander Glendenning, Elizabeth Churchill

Banns of marriage Aiden Durkin and Jenna Benbow

This week

Monday	8.30am 5.15pm	Zoom St Paul's	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer
Tuesday	9am 5.15pm	St Paul's St Paul's	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer
Wednesday	8.30am 5.15pm	Zoom St Paul's	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer
Thursday	8.30am 4.15pm 5.15pm	Zoom St Paul's St Paul's	Morning Prayer Meditation Group Evening Prayer
Friday	9am 11.30am 1.45pm	St Paul's Alexandra Grange Parish Rooms	Morning Prayer Communion Coffee & Chat

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

16 August: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8am	St Paul's	BCP Mass	Fr Sam
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass <i>Isaiah 61.10-end, Luke 1.46-55</i>	Fr Sam
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Fr Sam

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