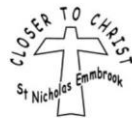


Pews News

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



16 August 2026: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8am	St Paul's	BCP Mass	Fr Sam
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

- ¶ **Organ Recital TODAY at 6.15pm.** 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.
- ¶ **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
- ¶ **Mothers' Union Meeting** The next meeting of the Mothers' Union will take place on Thursday 3 September at 2.30pm when we have invited a speaker from Yeldall Manor to come and talk to us about their organisation. Yeldall Manor is a local Christian-run establishment with an excellent success rate of supporting and rehabilitating drug and alcohol- addicted men.

This should be an interesting and inspiring talk. The meeting will be in the hall in St Paul's Parish Rooms and all are invited. Please speak to me if you would like more information. *Teri Austen*

¶ **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 Pauls.

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

rideandstride@spauls.org.uk

9.30am Parish Mass

Organ prelude *Plain Jeu et Fugue à 4 sur Ave Maris Stella* - Nicolas de Grigny

Opening hymn 388 Lord Jesus Christ

Collect

Almighty God, who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary and chose her to be the mother of your only Son: grant that we who are redeemed by his blood may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom; 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 Isaiah 61.10-end

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

Gradual hymn 573 The king of love my shepherd is

Gospel

Luke 1.46-55

And Mary said, 'My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.

Offertory hymn

285 Ye who own the faith of Jesus

Communion Music

Antienne (from Mariales) - Naji Hakim
Ave Maria - Camille Saint-Saëns

Post-communion prayer

God most high, whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh: we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption you visit us with your Holy Spirit and overshadow us by your power; strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Final hymn

282 Sing we of the blessed Mother

Voluntary *Regina Coeli, laetare Alleluja! (from Cavalleria Rusticana) - Pierre Mascagni*

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

Year's Mind (16th) Patricia Moodie; (17th) Mary Boshier; (18th) Pauline Peddy; (19th) Violet Giddings, Jean Temple; (20th) Monica Organ; (21st) Eileen Fuller; (22nd) Roderick Piercy, Ian Fletcher

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 11.30am 5.15pm	Zoom West Oak St Paul's	Morning Prayer Communion Evening Prayer
Friday	9am 1.45pm	St Paul's Parish Rooms	Morning Prayer Coffee & Chat

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

23 August: Trinity XII

9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass <i>Isaiah 51.1-6, Matthew 16.13-20</i>	Fr Sam
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Fr Sam

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