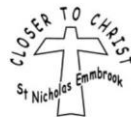


Pews News

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



30 August 2026: Trinity XIII

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

- ¶ **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*
- ¶ **Our annual Bag Blessing service** is next Sunday at 9.30am, when J Club will also be starting up again. Bring your school or work bag along to be blessed ready for the new academic year!
- ¶ **Rochester Cathedral, Saturday 26 September, Evensong.**
The cost of the coach to Rochester is £25 for adults, £10 for children. Please make payment, preferably by bank transfer, to: St Pauls Parish Room Trust, Sort Code 20 11 74, A/c No. 50764582, reference Rochester. Please, do NOT make payment to the church bank account! If you prefer to pay by Cheque or Cash, either give it to Rhoda at church on a Sunday morning or put it through the Parish Room letter box marked with the above reference. Many thanks.
Any problems, email rhoda297@gmail.com
- ¶ **The church office** is closed this week – back on Monday 7 September.

- ¶ **Ride & Stride Saturday 12 September.** This is the annual fundraising event for the Berkshire Historic Churches Trust. We need **Participants, Welcomers** and **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
 - ¶ **The People's Emergency Briefing** - a 50-minute documentary highlighting the UK's climate and nature crisis, featuring Chris Packham – is being screened at Holme Grange School at 7pm on Tuesday 15 September, followed by a Q&A session with our own Chris Merchant. Details of how to book free tickets will be in next week's Bertie email.
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9.30am Parish Mass

Organ prelude

William H. Harris Trio (Op.49 No.1) - Josef Rheinberger

Opening hymn

549 O worship the King

Collect

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First reading

Jeremiah 15.15-21

O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. Therefore, thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

Gradual hymn

460 Faithful Shepherd, feed me

Gospel

Matthew 16.21-28

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

Offertory hymn

385 Just as I am, without one plea

Communion Music

'Intermezzo' from Sonata No.8 (Op.132) - Josef Rheinberger

Post-communion prayer

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Final hymn

503 King of glory, King of peace

Voluntary

'Scherzo' from Sonata No.8 (Op.132) - Josef Rheinberger

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, Jenny Perris

Recently departed: Derek Gilliam

Year's Mind (30th) Rev'd Joseph Brown; (31st) Mark Tildesley, Vivienne Lamey; (1st) Kevin Shortland, Marie White; (2nd) Paul Lovesey; (3rd) Kevin Harfield; (4th) Ross Trevor; (5th) Elsie Goode

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 10.30am 5.15pm	Zoom 17 Martins Drive St Paul's	Morning Prayer Morning Worship & 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

6 September: Trinity XIV

8am	St Paul's	BCP Mass	Fr Sam
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass <i>Ezekiel 33.7-11, Matthew 18.15-20</i>	Fr Sam
11am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Rev'd Helen Charlton

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