

THE SPIRE

The Parish Magazine for St Paul, Wokingham
St Nicholas, Emmbrook and Woosehill Church



St Paul's Church
Wokingham

CLOSER TO CHRIST
St Nicholas Church

Woosehill Church

The Parish of St Paul, Wokingham

March 2020
www.spauls.org.uk

Editors' Message

Welcome to the March edition of The Spire.

This year March covers most of Lent. Fr Richard talks of us being a corporate body preparing well for Lent and Easter together from Ash Wednesday through to Easter Day. There is a personal reflection on what makes for a 'Happy Easter' on p.4, and the Lent Course: *Abundant Life –*

Reflections on the Raising of Lazarus is being offered on both afternoon and evening sessions to suit your schedules (p.40). Please speak to a member of the clergy if you need more information.

Fr Richard has written a quick update on his role as Acting Associate Archdeacon and don't forget to order your Easter lilies from Sue (both on p.6). Who is Sam Mortimer and why will he be with us during Lent (p.11)? The Tower Captain needs you! Find out why on p.12.

Spire Magazine subscriptions: according to office records, there are a number of these still outstanding. If you haven't already completed a magazine subscription for this year but would still like to receive a named copy, please do so ASAP so that we can make sure the magazine's finances are up to date for our Treasurer by the end of March. If you usually pay for your copy via the church safe, please also let the office know that too. Thank you in advance for your co-operation in this regard.

Not happening this month but needing to bring this to your attention early ...the 1st Wokingham (St Paul's) Scout Troup Annual Bird Survey & Breakfast (6.30am- 8am and 8am - 9am respectively), is taking place again on Saturday 11 April. Everyone is welcome to come and join in the fun and any offers of help to serve breakfast afterwards would be most welcome. The survey provides information for our churchyard biodiversity which is the first formal monitoring since the vegetation management on the railway.

We have a new layout. It packs more in but what do you think? Thoughts welcome. British Summer time begins (29 March) – a promise of longer days ahead. Yay!

With blessings, *Ann Grice & Jane Clark*, Editors

APRIL 2020 EDITION

Copy Deadline:

Monday 17 March

The editorial team shall be pleased to receive items for the magazine before or by this date.

Next publication date: Sunday 29 March

Enquiries and advertising: spire.editor@gmail.com

This magazine is produced and published by the Rector and PCC of the parish of St Paul, Wokingham. Opinions expressed by individuals and groups contributing to the magazine do not necessarily reflect the views of the publishers.



Contents

4	A Personal Reflection on what makes a 'Happy Easter'	23	Churchyard Working Party
6	The Acting Associate Archdeacon of Berkshire	24	Stitch Together
10	AbstiLent Challenge for Yeldall Manor	25	Christingle Services
10	Young Lambs	27	Visit of the Bishop of Mahajanga, Madagascar
11	Introducing Sam Mortimer	28	St Paul's Taverners
11	Coffee & Chat	29	First Steps - February
12	The Self Delusion	30	An Evening with Gareth Ainsworth
12	The Sound of Bells	31	Music for March
13	A Sermon for Candlemas	35	Morning Prayer
15	Recipe of the Month	35	Weekday Services
16	Parish Carers' Meeting	35	Readers & Intercessors
17	South Berkshire Singers	36	Lucky Numbers Draw
18	Meditation Group	36	Some Dates for Your Diary
19	JAC in a Box	38	Parish Contacts
20	The Welcome Club - February	39	Spire Magazine Subscription Form
21	Safeguarding: Church of England Past Cases Review 2	40	Lent Course 2020: <i>Abundant Life – Reflections on the Raising of Lazarus</i>
22	Prayers for Lent 2020		

Advertisers

7	TradeMark Windows & Conservatories	28	Miles & Daughters Funeral Directors
8	Kaanaanmaa Jewellers	32	Bluebird Care Services
9	A B Walker Funeral Directors	33	Wokingham Society
19	NHS Dentist	33	Martin & Pole Property Auctioneers
20	Wokingham Choral Society Spring Concert	34	Promedica 24 Live-in Companionship & Care
26	Helena Gold Chiropodist	34	J B Hall Funeral Directors
26	P & J R Knowles Decorators		

A Personal Reflection on what makes a “Happy Easter”

One Easter Monday I found myself wondering why that Easter had been one of the most blessed and spirit-filled celebrations I had ever experienced. I know that the experience is not all-important and that each year is different, but equally I feel there are certain things that enable and affect the encounter.

After much reflection I concluded that, over the years, the depth of my spiritual experience of Easter has been directly related to the manner in which I have kept Lent. When I have worried more about giving up chocolate than about taking up a spiritual discipline, then Easter has been joyful, but not much more. When I have struggled with challenging Lent readings or regularly attended an extra service or study, even when tired or busy, then I have been utterly blessed.

Why? Not in the sense of reward or punishment, but in the way that the more I have been looking for God, listening to Him (in the Word, in others, in music, in the liturgy) the better I have been prepared, or readied, to find Him. The more you put in, the more you get out applies to so many pursuits – how not the life of the Spirit also?

So – how did *that* Lent prepare me for *that* Easter? Let me count the ways ...

- ✠ *Ash Wednesday Mass and Imposition of Ashes*: the beginning of the Lenten journey. Throughout Lent the memory of that solid black ash cross on my forehead challenged and reminded me of my need for penitence and resolve.
- ✠ *Stations of the Cross, Saturday by Saturday*. The quiet movement around the church, focussing on Christ’s journey from the court of Pontius Pilate to Joseph of Arimathea’s tomb, brought that journey to life and opened my eyes to at least some of what it meant for Jesus.
- ✠ *Solemn Evensong and Benediction* was a wonderful blessing as a Lenten “extra” with the opportunity to focus fully on the Blessed Sacrament, enhanced by the glorious singing of our talented choir.
- ✠ *Personal prayer and Lent reading*: I thank God that frequently I, awoke long before the alarm and, had uninterrupted time for reflective scripture reading and prayer before the household started to stir. I was often amazed at how the Bible passages and my other reading hung together and underlined messages received through sermons and discussions.
- ✠ *Journalling*: Making notes about my reading, experiences, responses and such forced me to put them into words and give them more consideration, encouraging greater “mindfulness” in my daily life too – what was God saying to *me*?
- ✠ *Acts of service* to the church – making posies for Mothering Sunday and palm crosses for Palm Sunday, sacristy duties, church cleaning, washing and ironing

altar linen, serving tea for the churchyard working party ... All these are vital to church life, and sharing in practical service and fellowship, getting to know each other's needs and joys and pains all help us become truly the family of God.

And at the end of Lent – Holy Week, starting with Palm Sunday when the drama, pain and challenge of Jesus's inexorable walk to the cross began. Sharing in simple services of Holy Communion at each of our three churches was a blessing in itself. The different style and focus of each service meant there was something to appeal to everyone as we moved step by step towards Good Friday.

Maundy Thursday is always special, and when I have been able to make the most of the whole day, readying the church for the evening service, making my confession, and attending the Chrism Mass at Christ Church Cathedral with Bishops, Priests, Deacons and Licensed Lay Ministers from across the Diocese, I have been immensely blessed.

Then the drama of the Maundy ceremonies in the evening – the humbling and blessed moments of the foot washing, the retelling of the Last Supper and the focus on the Holy Communion, the stripping back of the trappings of the church to leave it empty and echoing in the darkness. Waiting and watching, kneeling before the Blessed Sacrament, marvelling at the Light of the World willing to give himself up to scourging, mockery and painful, horrible death ... Remembering St John Vianney's story about the old man in a church, staring at the tabernacle, who, when asked what he was doing, explained, "I look at Him and He looks at me." ... Reluctantly following Judas out into the night.

Good Friday - a day of raw emotion, remembering that the previous day His hands had washed my feet in love and today mine nailed Him to the cross. A poem about Mary wanting to shout "No!" to God as her son's body was laid in her arms.

The breath-holding hiatus that is Holy Saturday breaks across the drama and tension with practical things to be done – cleaning and polishing, redressing the altars, arranging flowers, building the Easter garden. Then gathering again in the darkness to hear Old Testament stories of God's ongoing love for His people.

Easter morning brings the lighting of the new fire and the glories of the Easter Dawn service, rejoicing that God IS in His heaven; all IS right with the world – whatever might be going on in that world... Alleluia. Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

Church Member
(Revised February 2020)



The Acting Associate Archdeacon of Berkshire

This seems a good moment to update you on how my secondment - two days a week to be Acting Associate Archdeacon of Berkshire - is going. I started on the 1st of September and am really grateful to the parish for giving me this opportunity.

I spend Monday morning in the Bishop of Reading's Staff Meeting and then am involved in a range of things across the rest of the week. I go to Buildings and Vicarage meetings; am involved in some Safeguarding conversations; help parishes to draw up their Parish Profile when they are in vacancy, and then Chair the Shortlisting Panel and the Interview as they try to discern who God is calling to be their next priest. I also deal with a lot of questions during the week and try to support clergy and parishes which are struggling or trying something new and exciting.

It feels a real privilege to be part of it all, for as long as it lasts, and I am picking up a lot of good ideas as well which will be of benefit to the parish and Deanery (and already have been).

The Archdeaconry Team is now coming together, with Bishop Olivia in post and Stephen Pullin being licensed as Archdeacon on the 29th of February at Oxford Cathedral. This is the day after the full-time Associate Archdeacon has been appointed, which will complete the team, and also clarify when my secondment will come to an end.

I also need to say that I have not applied for the job full-time of Associate Archdeacon. I still feel a strong call to be the Rector of the parish here and am thoroughly enjoying it. There is a lot for us still to do, to build on, to develop, to deepen, and not least, the call for us to be better at welcoming people and making them feel fully at home. And, the call for us to have a bigger and more transformative impact on the community we are called and sent to serve. There is so much good stuff going on, so much to relish, and so much more we could be doing. That shared adventure goes on!

Fr Richard Lamey

Easter Lilies

Once again there is an opportunity to remember a loved one over the Easter period. Easter lilies will be available at the cost of £2.50 each. If you would like to purchase a lily, please let me have your donation together with the name/s to be remembered by Sunday 5 April.



Sue Davenport

Window Problems?



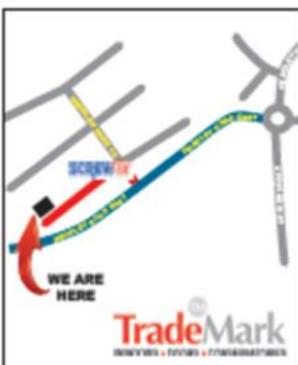
**FREE
HEALTH
CHECK
CALL
0800 30 50 30
TODAY!**

**EXTENDING THE
LIFE OF YOUR OLD
CONSERVATORY &
WINDOWS COULD SAVE
YOU A SMALL FORTUNE,
THE WINDOW DOCTOR IS
HERE TO HELP.**

**CALL 0800 30 50 30 TODAY
TO BOOK A FREE HEALTH
CHECK SURVEY.**

- ◆ Misted broken sealed units.
- ◆ Window lock hinge & handle replacement.
- ◆ Door-lock handle and furniture replacement.
- ◆ Window and door re-alignment adjustment.
- ◆ Cat / Dog flaps fitted.
- ◆ Conservatory leaks / Storm damage.
- ◆ Conservatory roof upgrades polycarbonate & glass.
- ◆ Insurance & expired guarantee repairs.

**GET A FREE ONLINE ESTIMATE AND SAVE 10% WITH THIS FLYER!
WWW.TRADEMARKWINDOWS.CO.UK**



*TradeMark products are
now Greener...Clearer...with
a Better Choice and Better
Certified Energy Savings. That's
TradeMark's A+ Guarantee.*

**The TradeMark
WINDOW
Doctor**
0800 30 50 30
www.trademarkwindows.co.uk

**SHOWROOM OPEN: MON-FRI: 9-5, SAT: 10-4 Tel: 0118 969 9322 (Next to Screwfix)
Unit 20, Headley Park 10, Headley Road East, Woodley RG5 4SW**

Kaanaanmaa

makers of fine jewellery

Repairs ~ Commissions ~ Valuations



Tel: 0118 979 0435

22 Denmark Street Wokingham Berkshire RG40 2BB
www.kaanaanmaa.co.uk ~ info@kaanaanmaa.co.uk

A . B .

WALKER

THE FUNERAL PEOPLE

TRADITION IS WHAT YOU MAKE IT:
FROM TRADITIONAL SERVICE TO
MODERN CELEBRATION

PERSONAL SERVICE FROM A FIFTH
GENERATION FAMILY BUSINESS:
LATER LIFE PLANNING, BESPOKE FUNERALS,
MONUMENTAL MASONRY AND
BEREAVEMENT CARE

WOKINGHAM 0118 978 4040

OFFICES IN: READING, CAVERSHAM, BRACKNELL
MAIDENHEAD, THATCHAM, HENLEY-ON-THAMES

www.abwalker.co.uk



Golden Charter
Funeral Plans 

AbstiLent Challenge for Yeldall Manor

Would you join us in giving up alcohol (or chocolate, coffee, sugar or TV) for Lent to support our residents in their own abstinence?

From Wednesday 26 February to Saturday 11 April, you could get sponsored and raise awareness amongst your friends, or just donate what you would have spent. Either way, you would be standing alongside us and our residents.



AbstiLent
CHALLENGE

**“I’m giving it up
for Yeldall Manor to support men
overcoming drug/alcohol
dependencies”**

DONATE SPONSOR

YELDALL MANOR
A CHARITY INCORPORATED IN SCOTLAND

Icons: Chocolate bar, Wine glass, Burger, Cupcake

Please sign up by emailing suehedger@yeldall.org.uk or call 0118 940 4411 (option 4).
Sue Hedger (Mrs), Administration and Supporter Relations Manager
Registered Charity No. 1000038 | www.yeldall.org.uk

Young Lambs

The spring is coming by a many signs;
the trays are up, the hedges broken down,
that fenced the haystack, and the remnant shines
like some old antique fragment weathered brown.
And where suns peep, in every sheltered place,
the little early buttercups unfold
a glittering star or two--till many trace
the edges of the blackthorn clumps in gold.
And then a little lamb bolts up behind
the hill and wags his tail to meet the yoe,
and then another, sheltered from the wind,
lies all his length as dead - and lets me go
close bye and never stirs but baking lies,
with legs stretched out as though he could not rise.

John Clare (b.1793 – d.1864)

Introducing Sam Mortimer



Sam Mortimer

Sam Mortimer is training for ordination in the Oxford Diocese Local Ministry Programme. Originally from Reading, he studied Physics at Southampton University and has a PhD in Applied Chemistry from Grenoble University, France. He now works in marketing for 3M in Bracknell.

He has been a Licensed Lay Minister for 11 years, serving as Congregational Leader for All Saints, a Church Plant in Warfield Parish, from 2008 to 2015. During that time, he developed a school assembly ministry, exploring the interaction of Science and Faith and drawing his own illustrations. With two friends, he organised a 'prayer cycle' round the Woodhurst Park area prior to the planting of the Encounter Church congregation and in 2018 he started a 'Skype' prayer meeting with colleagues at 3M UK.

Sam's wife Sarah is also an ordinand and they have three grown-up sons. They enjoy theatre, concerts, cinema and long walks. Additionally, Sam runs (occasionally), plays badminton (badly) and cycles (keenly).

Sam is going to be on placement with us in Lent, broadening his sense of the Church of England and asking questions about why we do the things we do and how it helps us to come close to God. Do look out for him and make him welcome! Image: Sam Mortimer

Fr Richard Lamey

COFFEE & CHAT

ST PAUL'S PARISH ROOMS

READING ROAD, WOKINGHAM

EVERY FRIDAY
2 - 4pm

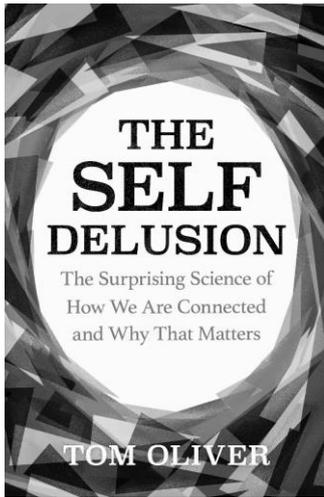
At a loose end?
Feeling lonely?
Had a bad week?



Drop in for a drink and a friendly chat

For further information contact:
Louise Cole in the Parish Office on 0118 979 2122
or Susanna on 0118 377 4133

The Self Delusion



Monday 9 March, 7.30pm, All Saints Church, Wokingham

Reading University Professor of Ecology, Tom Oliver, will talk about his compelling new book at All Saints Church. In the book, *'The Self Delusion: the surprising science of how we are connected and why that matters'*, Professor Oliver draws on what scientists now know about how connected our bodies and our brains are to billions of the other living organisms inside us and around us. He shows that our familiar notion of ourselves as individual selves, captains of our own fates, is a delusion. It's been a useful delusion for our evolutionary rise as a species, and it's a delusion that's been ruthlessly exploited by our modern consumerist economies, but it is no longer fit for purpose in the face of the new global challenges. Tom Oliver argues passionately that we need a new mindset which reflects reality and equips us to tackle our planetary emergency and thrive in the future.

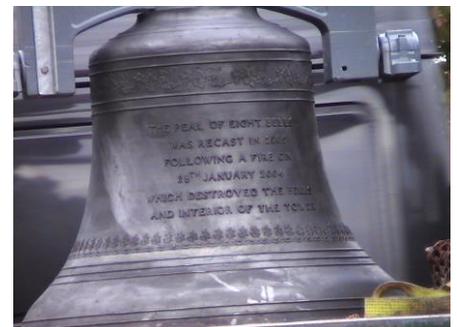
Admission is free and there is no obligation to buy Professor Oliver's book. However, signed copies will be available supplied by Waterstones. For bookings and more information, go to <https://www.allsaintswokingham.org.uk/scientist-to-talk-about-the-delusion-of-self-at-all-saints-church/>.

All Saints Church

The Sound of Bells

Do you want the bells of St Paul's to continue to ring? We are desperately short of ringers and need more recruits.

Bellringing is a fascinating pastime which spreads God's message throughout the parish. It is a team activity open to all. I have rung with people from 6 to over 90 years of age. It provides physical and mental exercise together with socialising.



To find out more, call 01189786554 or email, kr.davenport@btopenworld.com. Alternatively, why not drop in to our Tuesday practice between 7.45pm – 9pm.

Ken Davenport, Tower Captain

A Sermon for Candlemas

Candlemas Service, Sunday 2 February

In a moment we will bring our candles up together, in procession, as we come face to face with the love of God, not only his love for me but his love for all of creation. Difference and unity are both visible in our candles, and so is the light of Christ. It's a good moment to remember who we are as a Church, what we believe of this family we're part of, what we think God is calling us to, of the joyful experiment we are engaged in: over 10 years ago we joined Inclusive Church, a group made up of Churches who share the same vision and calling:

“We believe in inclusive Church - a church which celebrates and affirms every person and does not discriminate. We will continue to challenge the church where it continues to discriminate against people on grounds of disability, economic power, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, learning disability, mental health, neurodiversity, or sexuality. We believe in a Church which welcomes and serves all people in the name of Jesus Christ; which is scripturally faithful; which seeks to proclaim the Gospel afresh for each generation; and which, in the power of the Holy Spirit, allows all people to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Jesus Christ.”

So, let us give thanks for the love of God, its breadth and height and depth and inclusion, and as we shine together, let us commit ourselves again to be more and better the Church we are called to be.

Sometimes there is a perfect coming together of what is happening in the world and an event in the Church's year, which allows the festival to be the code which unlocks what we face in daily life. That is today. In the feast of Candlemas, we see the faces of four very different people lit up by the light of God in Jesus Christ. In the feast of Candlemas, we see the Church, a gathering of different people brought together by Love. We are the Church, and the way we live Love out matters immensely.



Candlemas, St Paul's. © Peter Wells (2019)

So, let me ask you a question which I am asking a lot at the moment in interviews and conversations with parishes - where is this Church most the Church? If I asked you to show me the Church where would you take me? What would you want me to see? [Discuss]

The Eucharist is the gathering of the Church family. Some people shy away from the word family for the Church, for good reasons - but I am increasingly using it because it stresses the fact that we might have different roles but we all matter, and that we are on a journey together, and mutual care, and it stresses as well the fact that we cannot choose our family. God does that and we just have to get on with it.

Perhaps especially today when we place our candles on the altar as a sign of our unity and equality - we are united and equal in the radical, inclusive, universal love of God, which is our Light - the Light we rejoice in and the Light with which we shine. From here you can tell a little of the differences in the candle, but you can't see the detail. We are the Church, a gathering of different people brought together by Love.

And this week it's clear that, while the Church itself is sometimes the problem, it is also the best and bravest hope for the world - a community of radical welcome and genuine equality which is founded on service. And outside, and inside as well, there are people like Simeon waiting for God's promise to be fulfilled. They are waiting for the Church to be the Church, to be a courageous community of Love. There are people in the world, people we know, who would never turn to the Church because we look judgemental. And we can be. There are people in the world, people we know, who used to be part of the Church but were rejected because of who they were or horribly abused by people in positions of trust. There are people in this Church, sat near to you, who are clinging on to their place in the Church by their absolute fingertips, who are just about still able to touch God despite the obstacles thrown in front of them by the Church of England.

All of them, like Simeon, are waiting and longing for the Church to be the Church, to be the radical and welcoming community we aspire to, to be the Church portrayed on the altar behind me in living light. And oftentimes we make it so hard, and find so many ways, to complicate and confuse, and trip ourselves up. It's not really rocket surgery, is it? Love the Lord your God with everything you have and are and love your neighbour as yourself. Ask, 'What would Jesus do?' and do it. And yet, again and again, we mess it up, individually and corporately.

Individually, we are not loving or selfless or human or kind enough. We do not act like a child of God or treat others as being a child of God precious as we are. We allow our own preferences and our own wants and our own prejudices and our own unhealed wounds to drive our actions rather than being driven by the light of Christ. We need to do better, to repent of our lack of Love and strive to be more and more like Jesus - more generous, more welcoming, more tender, more understanding, more human.

And then when you put all of those insecurities together you get the Church - which is at once the Bride of Christ and a gathering of human beings who are not yet perfect. Our motives are not always pure and our record is not always something to be proud of. The Church of England is currently part way through a deep dive into whatever records are held

to try to work out exactly how many allegations of the abuse of children and vulnerable adults are on file but were never adequately addressed. In the last 10 days the Church did itself considerable damage in the eyes of so many Simeons by, without really meaning to, issuing a cold and tone-deaf statement reasserting the traditional teaching on sex outside marriage while we are all meant to be waiting for the outcome of a lengthy consultation process called Living in Faith and Love. That the Archbishops have now apologised is good - but it is an apology which should not have been needed because it should never have happened.

Add in the ways in which the deep wounds of Brexit in every community and town are still not healing and it's clear why I feel so determined that, in the aspects of Church we can influence, we get it right, being in every way the Church gathered behind me on the altar, gathered in the presence of God, ablaze with his presence, courageous and contemplative and compassionate, as the Diocesan Vision has it, A more Christlike Church for the sake of God's world.

We cannot control what the whole Church of England does - that's a bit beyond even Peter's pay grade - but we can control and shape and influence the life of this Church and make it look more like the Church gathered behind me on the altar. And we can grow in confidence and impact and influence if we can show that we are a welcoming Church, and a growing Church and a confident Church and a praying Church and a Church which is confident in its calling to be the Church of God, gathered at the altar, burning with the light of Christ.

Fr Richard Lamey

Recipe of the Month – Cauliflower Pizza

Ingredients	Method
1 medium cauliflower 100g ground almonds 100g oats Pinch mixed herbs Pinch salt/pepper 2 eggs Teaspoon oil	Blitz cauliflower into rice form in blender Mix with cauliflower Mix with cauliflower Mix in herbs, salt and pepper Stir in eggs roll onto floured sheet Grease baking tray Place mixture onto tray

Bake for 20 minutes at 180°C. Take out of oven and spread with tomato sauce, grated cheese and any other topping you would like to add. I would add a few grated onions and even chilli flakes. Return to the oven and cook for about 10 minutes until topping has melted. Serve with a tossed salad.

Parish Carers' Meeting



L-R: Fr Patrick Mukholi, Louise Cole, Lynn Smith, Jane Creasy, Doreen Murgatroyd, Mary Cassidy.



L-R: Fiona Albinson, Liz Gallagher, Val Weedon, Ann Battersby, Margaret Davies, Elizabeth Hunter.



L-R: Teri Austen, Sue Haywood, Barbara Tartelin, Revd Jane Kraft, Fiona Albinson

Several of us managed to lose ourselves in the maze that is Luckley House School, and one or two others found themselves locked in strange buildings, but on Saturday 1 February, we all managed (with the help of mobile phones and a kindly caretaker), to gather in the right place. Refreshing drinks and laughter about it all soon restored us as we got to know each other.

The day began with Fr Patrick leading us in a simple and well thought out act of worship, after which Revd Judi introduced us to the programme she had devised for the morning.

Our first task was to take as many coloured pipe cleaners as we wanted and construct a suitable symbol of what we thought our parish caring entailed. Some of the results were very artistic, others caused much amusement, but it was a novel way of making us think about what we try to do in the community.

We then were given a piece of paper with the outline of a flower on it which had various aspects of being a pastoral visitor for us to think about and fill in. We were given plenty of time to do this as it proved to be more thought-provoking than we first anticipated.

Then it was time for a short break and another chance to talk to each other and hear other peoples' points of view of the tasks we had done so far

After that we were given a short meditation to dwell on about listening, looking, and just being there for people.

After this we split into groups and were given three imaginary case studies to study one by one. The more we looked into these the more complex they seemed to be. We discussed each one in turn, and as a whole group we soon realised we still had a lot to learn about dealing with the problems some people have to face.

I think the most important thing we learnt was to always seek confidential, and perhaps professional, help if we felt a situation was beyond our experience or pastoral remit. All through the morning we were invited to put our ideas onto post-it notes for the clergy to use in helping us to improve the friendship and support we are trying to give to our community.



L-R: Georgina Spencer, Susanna Allen, Teri Austen, Sue Haywood, Barbara Tartelin

Lastly, we had a short closing service led by Revd Jane.

The morning concluded with a splendid buffet lunch and lots of talking about how the morning had been for us. I think we all felt inspired and invigorated to try to do more for our fellow friends both in and outside the parish, and not to be afraid of asking for help when we need it.

Our clergy had obviously spent a lot of time putting together an inspiring and thought-provoking session for us, and I am sure we were all very grateful to them, as we went away with plenty to think and pray about. Images: Judi Hattaway

Georgina Spencer

South Berkshire Singers

An Evening of Music & Meditation

South Berkshire Singers will be hosting an evening of Music & Meditation at 7.30pm on Saturday 21 March 2020 at St. Paul's Church, Wokingham.

Under the direction of Musical Director, Karen Phillips, the choir will perform The Requiem by John Rutter along with other pieces and readings appropriate for the church season of Lent and Easter. Admission is free but there will be a retiring collection in aid of the St Paul's Church Lenten Appeal.

South Berkshire Singers

www.southberkshiresingers.com <https://www.facebook.com/SouthBerkshireSingers/>

Christine Edney, Concert Secretary

MEDITATION GROUP

Beginning 12th March 2020

1.15pm – 1.45pm



When: 2nd Thursday of each month

Where: Walter Chapel, St Paul's Church

What: Meditation in a Christian context, open to those of other faiths or none.

If you would like to learn more, please come and join us
or email Susannah Riley,
meditationgroup@spauls.org.uk

JAC in a Box

What is JAC in a Box?

JAC in a Box is a real shop selling donated goods - clothing, books, toys, homewares, gifts etc., run by young people under the supervision of volunteers.



We act as a training hub helping young people acquire and practice work skills. These young people may suffer from a lack of confidence or from acute social anxiety, from autism or any other barrier preventing them from securing work. When they are work ready, they will be offered internships or work-shadowing with our local business partners. A number of local businesses have also agreed to offer interviews for suitable vacancies.

We welcome people to come in and look around as this gives our trainees the opportunity to interact with the public. You do not need to feel obliged to buy anything. However, should you wish to buy something, you choose how much you pay for it! We believe people know what is a fair price, but also know what they can afford.

Do pop in and say ‘hello’; we’d love to meet you.

JAC in a Box | Mon – Sat, 9am - 4.30pm

5 Central Walk, Wokingham RG40 1XZ (next to Sederio Lounge, oppo. Italian Deli) | 07557 342604
jacinaboxwokingham@gmail.com | <https://www.facebook.com/jacinaboxwokingham/>

The JAC in the Box Team



WOKINGHAM DENTAL CLINIC

New patients welcome

56 EASTHAMPSTEAD ROAD, WOKINGHAM

TEL: 0118 979 1551

The Welcome Club

Ayres & Grey-ces

On Tuesday 11 February, we were entertained with music and poetry by Ayres and Grey-ces. Allan introduced the songs, and he and John played guitar while Hugh sang and, in between, Marion read poetry. Most of the poetry is from Pam Ayres and this, plus the fact that the men are greying gives the group their name.



They play mainly songs and tunes from the sixties, especially by the Shadows and the Everly Brothers, but also some from Buddy Holly, and others. We enjoyed the songs, most of which we could remember, and the poetry was very clever and funny. Afterwards, we had tea and home-made cakes, before the raffle was drawn.

Next month - Tuesday 10 March - a police officer will be talking to us about our security. For further information concerning the Welcome Club please call Jackie on 0118 327 8739.

Steve Kallenborn



Wokingham Choral Society presents



Spring Concert:
Buxtehude: Membra Jesu nostri
Pergolesi: Stabat Mater

Saturday 28th March, 7.30pm
(free pre-concert talk at 6.30pm, cashless bar from 6.15pm)

**At The Great Hall, University of Reading,
London Rd Campus, RG1 5AQ**

Tickets: £16, £5 for students & under 18s.
Visit our website for details www.wokingham-choral-society.org.uk

Registered Charity No. 274853

Our churches and church-related activities must be safe for all, with safeguarding policies and practices that promote a safer church.

We need to be certain that all known cases of concern about the behaviour of our clergy or church officers towards children and adults have been considered and dealt with appropriately.

Every church in the Diocese, including our own, is now undertaking a comprehensive review as part of the national *Past Cases Review 2* (PCR2). You can find out more about PCR2 on the Diocese of Oxford website: **oxford.anglican.org/pcr-2**

If you have information or need to make a disclosure regarding church-related abuse, please make direct contact with the Safeguarding Team at the Diocese of Oxford on **01865 208290**.

If you have lived experience of abuse from within the Church of England, you may prefer to call the dedicated telephone NSPCC helpline, which is independent of the Church. Call **0800 80 20 20**

The NSPCC helpline is also available to anyone wishing to provide information or to raise concerns regarding abuse within the Church of England. The helpline is there for you whether you are reporting issues relating to children or adults or seeking to whistleblow about poor safeguarding practice. Your call is confidential, and your concerns will be taken seriously.



St Paul's Churchyard

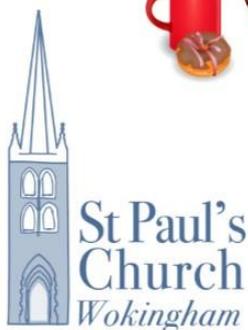
Working Party

1st & 3rd Saturday
in the month

9.30am - 3.30pm

- New volunteers always welcome!
- Come for all or part of the day
- Morning coffee break and lunchtime refreshments

Powered by volunteers!



Parish Office | 0118 979 2122

churchyard@spauls.org.uk | www.spauls.org.uk



STITCH



together

When & Where?

- On the 1st Wednesday of each month 16:30-19:30 in the Carpenter Room, upstairs in St Paul's Parish Rooms.

- We also meet on the 3rd Friday of each month during Coffee and Chat 14:00-16:00 in the main hall of St Paul's Parish Rooms.

Come along to sew by hand or machine, to knit, crochet and share skills!



Information: <https://stitchtogether.wordpress.com>

Email: stitch-together@outlook.com

Church.office@spauls.org.uk | 0118 979 2122



St Paul's
Church
Wokingham

Christingle Services

You will have seen some lovely photographs from the Christingle services held at St Paul's on Christmas Eve in the January Spire. Most of the congregations at those services weren't part of our usual attendees, so it's really good to be able to welcome adults and children from a wide area. The two services raised a wonderful



Candlemas at St Nick's, 2 February 2020. © Jean Vaughan

£1,176.46 for work of The Children's Society, with more to come soon from the card reader. The atmosphere in the afternoon is really upbeat and as they were leaving many had time to chat to the great team of helpers who were able to come on such a wonderful day.

Talking of helpers, the 550 Christingles were made that morning in an hour and a half! Such a great production line working together, so thank you to everyone who took part.

At the Christingle service held at Candlemas at St Nicholas', we have a different way of working. We give oranges prepared with the red tape and a hole for the candle along with a bag containing the sweets and sultanas to be assembled by the congregation. Which means we have a lot of interaction and then we're able to get everyone to stand in a circle round the hall before we light the candles.

Cubs and Brownies read the lessons and prayers, some took the collection and they also brought their flags to be displayed at the front of church. The 2nd Emmbrook Brownie pack hold a craft fair before Christmas each year and bring the proceeds to be added to our collection for The Children's Society, so a total of £175.16 was donated.

Thank you to everyone who helped at all the services, which are great ways to bring lots of non-church goers to both St Paul's and St Nicholas'.

Jean Vaughan

CHIROPODIST

Helena S. Gold M.S.S.Ch., M.B.Ch.A.

**Registered Member of The British Chiropody & Podiatry
Association and Health Professions Council**

- **Modern surgery in Binfield village**
- **10 minutes from Wokingham**
- **Very easy parking**
- **Evening appointments**
- **Cryosurgical treatment for Verrucae and Warts**

Tel: 01344-459371

67, Knox Green, Binfield, Bracknell RG42 4NZ



**P. & J. R. KNOWLES
DECORATORS**

INTERNAL - EXTERNAL - ARTEXING & COVING

**31 Marks Road, Wokingham, Berkshire. RG41 1NR
Telephone: 0118 979 2804**

**WE HAVE BEEN IN THE DECORATING BUSINESS FOR 33 YEARS AND GIVE A
PROFESSIONAL AND FRIENDLY SERVICE, TO A HIGH STANDARD.**

INSURANCE WORK UNDERTAKEN.

ALL QUOTATIONS ARE FREE OF CHARGE WITHOUT OBLIGATION.

Visit of the Bishop of Mahajanga, Madagascar

A good number of parishioners and invited guests from other Mothers' Union branches turned out on Saturday 8th February to welcome Bishop Hall Speers and his wife Sarah and to listen to them talk about their life in Madagascar. After lunching on soup and cheese in the captivating presentation from both of them, ably assisted by Revd Jane at the power-point screening. The Bishop explained that Madagascar is an island about six times the size of Great Britain and his diocese of Mahajanga is roughly seven times the size of Wales. Having been employed as a priest there some years ago, he was called out of retirement to return as Bishop of Mahajanga. Although regarded as a third-level VIP on the island (politicians and the military taking precedence respectively), their living is far from glamorous: a simple stone house with no garden serves as the Bishop's palace, accommodation which is, nevertheless, of a higher standard than the majority of the population. The Bishop expressed his admiration for his congregations who, despite the lack of running water, sanitation and amenities, come to church immaculately presented. Each photo we saw was of smiling people, joyfully relishing the occasion.

Bishop Hall and Sarah cover many miles to serve the diocese, over barely passable roads, in crowded old vehicles, often without brakes where the driver's assistant is required to leap out and throw a stone under the wheel to prevent everyone plunging to their death on a mountain pass! Sometimes the road doesn't extend to the village and the last few miles are on foot, necessitating the inclusion of a guide and 'Sherpas' to carry baggage among the entourage.

Sarah recounted her adventures attending a Mothers' Union rally along with 1,000 others in the northern part of the diocese. The destination was a day and a half away from their village, travelling overnight as there was no accommodation en route; some attendees travelled for three days. Each branch has its own uniform, beautifully made by the women, spotless and worn with pride. This adventure has been published in the last two editions of *Spire* and if you haven't been following these accounts, I would strongly urge you to do so – highly entertaining and beautifully written by Sarah.

All in all, this was a fascinating and humbling (for those watching and listening) presentation of an area about which many of us knew very little. We were pleased to present a sum of just over £500 to Bishop Hall and Sarah to enable them to purchase mattresses which are hired out as 'accommodation' at large gatherings.

Also, for the sharp-eyed among us, you will have spotted that the photograph in January's *Spire* showed Bishop Hall and Sarah alongside Fr John Connell, previous rector of this parish. They became acquainted in Chingford and have maintained contact since.

Teri Austen

St Paul's Taverners



1st & 3rd Tuesday in the Month

12.30pm, Broad Street Tavern

Are you free on a Tuesday lunchtime? Would you welcome the chance to chat with other like minded men over a bite to eat in a relaxed and friendly setting? It's not a club or a group but a gathering over food and a highlight in the week.

Normal Menu - usually under £11

Come as often or a rarely as you are able, although it will be very helpful to know how many are planning on coming each time.

More information, contact:

Chris Rutter

0118 961 9781 or

email, chris_k_rutter@hotmail.com



Miles & Daughters

THE FAMILY FUNERAL SERVICE

Owned & Run By The Miles Family

Male & Female Funeral Directors Available

Free Home Visits, Advice & Assistance

24 hour caring service

Pre-paid Funeral Plans

Memorials

Offices:

Reading

Wokingham

Crowthorne

Bracknell

Twyford

Maidenhead

Isabella House, 498 Reading Road, Winnersh, Wokingham Berkshire RG41 5EX



0118 979 3004

www.milesfunerals.com



First Steps - February

We met the day before Valentines Day so Fr Patrick talked about God's love for us. He told us the story of the Lost Sheep, he even brought his little cuddly sheep with him. We heard how when the shepherd counted his sheep one had gone missing. Even though he still had 99 sheep he went and searched and searched until he found the lost one. He loved them all so much he didn't want to lose any of them. That is how much God loves each and everyone of us and if we get lost along the way he will welcome us back with open arms.

Fr Patrick taught us a new song and we sang one of our favourites – 'Jesus Love is very Wonderful'.

The children enjoyed making bookmarks, which they decorated with lots of hearts, and decorating heart shaped boxes.

Please join us when we meet next time at 9.15am on Thursday 12 March in the Children's Chapel at St Paul's. We'd love to see you.

Liz Gallagher



2nd Thursday of each month (Term-time only)

12 Mar 2020

9.15am - 10.15am

Children's Chapel, St Paul's Church, Wokingham



Introducing pre-school children to church in a relaxed, fun and friendly way.

Songs, stories, craft activities & refreshments.

More information:

Fr Richard

0118 327 9116

Liz Gallagher

0118 989 1176

An evening with Gareth Ainsworth



March 7th | 19:30

**Tickets £15 : ticketsource.co.uk/thelink
Finchampstead Memorial Hall | Bar & snacks**

An entertaining evening of chat about football, family and friendship with local celebrity Gareth Ainsworth, Wycombe Wanderers' manager and the Football League's longest serving manager, QPR legend and former Premier League player. PLUS... live music from Gareth and renowned local musician Pauly Zarb!

 **the Link**
visiting scheme



Music for March

1st – Lent 1

9.30am Parish Mass

Hymns: 64, 339, 382, 67
Setting: St Anne's Mass, *J Macmillan*
Gradual: Ad te levavi
Anthem: Remember, remember not Lord our offences, *H Purcell*

6.15pm Solemn Evensong

Responses: Plainsong
Psalm: 50 vv1-15
Hymns: 59
Canticles: Fauxbourdons, *T Morley*
Anthem: Remember, remember not Lord our offences, *H Purcell*

8th – Lent 2

9.30am Parish Mass

Hymns: 414, 333, 434, 407
Setting: St Anne's Mass, *J Macmillan*
Gradual: Ad te levavi, *I Ord-Hume*
Anthem: God so loved the world, *J Stainer*

15th – Lent 3

9.30am Parish Mass

Hymns: 379, 378, 62, 74
Gradual: Ad te levavi, *I Ord-Hume*
Setting: St Anne's Mass, *J Macmillan*
Anthem: Ex ore innocentium, *J Ireland*

6.15pm Choral Evensong

Responses: Ayleward
Psalm: 40
Hymns: 456, 355
Canticles: The Short Service, *O Gibbons*
Anthem: Ex ore innocentium, *J Ireland*

22nd – Mothering Sunday

9.30am Parish Mass

Hymns: The Lord's my shepherd, 264, 187, 186
Gradual: Ad te levavi, *I Ord-Hume*
Setting: St Anne's Mass, *J Macmillan*
Anthem: The Secret of Christ, *G Knight*

29th - Passion Sunday

9.30am Parish Mass

Hymns: 94, 90, 82, 83
Gradual: Ad te levavi, *I Ord-Hume*
Setting: St Anne's Mass, *J Macmillan*
Anthem: Crown of Roses, *P I Tchaikovsky*





My Care,
My Home,
My Choice

Bluebird Care Reading, Wokingham, Windsor, Maidenhead and Bracknell

- Home Care visits in your own home
- Live in Care
- Waking nights/Sleep-ins
- Dementia Care
- Domestic/Shopping
- Respite Care
- Companionship
- Social support

Inspected and rated

Outstanding 

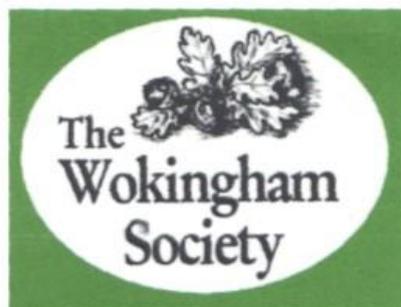


Please call our friendly team TODAY

Reading 0118 9863 552 or reading@bluebirdcare.co.uk

Maidenhead 01628 566 244 or maidenhead@bluebirdcare.co.uk

www.bluebirdcare.co.uk



The Wokingham Society is a Civic Society committed to assisting with the conservation of Wokingham's character, history, traditions, architecture and environment.

Grants are offered to local organisations, societies and individuals planning projects which will benefit the community.

In recent years the Society has awarded Grants to St Paul's in support of major projects, most recently the Churchyard Tree Succession Project.

For more information please go to: www.wokinghamsociety.org.uk



RICS

www.martinpole.co.uk

Residential & Commercial Estate Agents • Lettings Agents
Auctioneers • Planners • Management • Surveyors & Valuers

Martin & Pole
Established 1846

CHARTERED SURVEYORS

Residential & Commercial Estate Agents
Furniture, Antiques & Property Auctioneers
Residential Lettings & Management
Surveyors & Valuers

Wokingham Office 0118 978 0777 w@martinpole.co.uk

Antiques Auctions 0118 979 0460 a@martinpole.co.uk

Earley Reading 0118 926 4422 e@martinpole.co.uk

www.martinpole.co.uk



YOUR home or a care home? You do have a choice...

Our expert carers live with you as a companion and friend.

We offer a genuine alternative to residential care homes. We help the elderly and vulnerable adults to remain safely in their own homes by providing dedicated live-in care.

Carers are matched to you based on personality, lifestyle preferences and care needs. Our carers can also help with day-to-day tasks such as cooking, cleaning and shopping.

We can offer complex care packages for more advanced care needs such as Dementia, stroke, Parkinson's and end-of-life care. Our bespoke care packages ensure you retain as much independence and dignity as possible.

Our live-in companionship and care packages start from £695 p/w



To find out more contact Leigh on **07905 778 212** or **0118 315 1257**
or visit www.promedica24.co.uk/wokingham



Good

JB Hall funeral directors

Here for you
when you need us...

- 24 hour service
- Free bereavement advice and support
- Pre-paid inflation proof funeral plans
- Wide choice of memorials for burials

Wokingham • 0118 979 3623

142 Finchampstead Rd, Wokingham



jbhallfuneraldirectors.co.uk

Morning Prayer

Starting the day in prayer is an ancient Christian tradition which people have always found to be a firm foundation for the day. It roots us in God and strengthens us for all that lies ahead. In the parish, we share Morning Prayer at 8.30am (at St Paul's on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, and at Woosehill, on a Wednesday). The service lasts about 20 minutes and includes readings, prayer, and canticles. If you'd like to find out more then please speak to a member of the clergy, or to one of the congregations who already come. Or why not just turn up and join in?

Weekday Services

Day	Time	Service
Monday	8.30am	Said Morning Prayer
Tuesday	8.30am	Said Morning Prayer
Wednesday	8.30am	Morning Prayer at Woosehill Church
	10.30am	House Mass (see weekly Pews News for details)
Thursday	8.30am	Said Morning Prayer, with Mass at 9.30am
	9.30am	Mass, Walter Chapel
Friday	8.30am	Said Morning Prayer

Readers & Intercessors

Date	Festival	Reader	Intercessor
1 Mar	Lent 1	Vince Pearson	Alan Harrison
8 Mar	Lent 2	Michael Johnstone	Chris Merchant
15 Mar	Lent 3	Christine Field	Teri Austen
22 Mar	Mothering Sunday	St Nick's	St Nick's
29 Mar	Passion Sunday	Pauline Wells	David Ruddock

Tue 10 Mar	2.30pm – 4pm	Lent Course 2020: <i>Abundant Life - Reflections on the Raising of Lazarus</i> , St Paul's Parish Rooms
	7.45pm	Bellringing Practice, St Paul's Tower
	8pm – 9.30pm	Lent Course 2020: <i>Abundant Life - Reflections on the Raising of Lazarus</i> , Woosehill Church
Wed 11 Mar	7.30pm	Choir Practice, St Paul's
Thu 12 Mar	9.15am	First Steps, Children's Chapel, St Paul's
Fri 13 Mar	2pm – 4pm	Coffee & Chat, Parish Rooms
Mon 16 Mar	8pm	PCC Meeting, Parish Rooms
	Midnight	Spire Content deadline
Tue 17 Mar	12.30pm	St Paul's Taverners, Broad Street Tavern
	2.30pm – 4pm	Lent Course 2020: <i>Abundant Life - Reflections on the Raising of Lazarus</i> , St Paul's Parish Rooms
	7.45pm	Bellringing Practice, St Paul's Tower
	8pm – 9.30pm	Lent Course 2020: <i>Abundant Life - Reflections on the Raising of Lazarus</i> , Woosehill Church
Wed 18 Mar	7.30pm	Choir Practice, St Paul's
Fri 20 Mar	2pm – 4pm	Coffee & Chat, Parish Rooms
	2pm – 4pm	Stitch Together, Parish Rooms
Sat 21 Mar	9.30pm – 3.30pm	Churchyard Working Party
	7.30pm	South Berkshire Singers Music & Meditation, St Paul's Church
Sun 22 Mar		Mothering Sunday
Tue 24 Mar	2.30pm – 4pm	Lent Course 2020: <i>Abundant Life - Reflections on the Raising of Lazarus</i> , St Paul's Parish Rooms
	7.45pm	Bellringing Practice, St Paul's Tower
	8pm – 9.30pm	Lent Course 2020: <i>Abundant Life - Reflections on the Raising of Lazarus</i> , Woosehill Church
Wed 25 Mar	7.30pm	Choir Practice, St Paul's
Fri 27 Mar	2pm – 4pm	Coffee & Chat, Parish Rooms
Sat 28 Mar	7.30pm	Wokingham Choral Society Spring Concert, The Great Hall, University of Reading London Road Campus, Reading RG1 5AQ
Sun 29 Mar	10am	Café Church, Woosehill Church
Tue 31 Mar	2.30pm – 4pm	Lent Course 2020: <i>Abundant Life - Reflections on the Raising of Lazarus</i> , St Paul's Parish Rooms
	7.45pm	Bellringing Practice, St Paul's Tower
	8pm – 9.30pm	Lent Course 2020: <i>Abundant Life - Reflections on the Raising of Lazarus</i> , Woosehill Church

Parish Contacts

Parish Clergy			
Rector	Fr Richard Lamey**	rector@spauls.org.uk	0118 327 9116
Assistant Priest	Fr Patrick Mukholi***	patrick.mukholi@spauls.org.uk	0118 977 3397
Assistant Priest	Rev Judi Hattaway*	judihattaway@mac.com	0779 872 3232
Clergy rest days	*Friday, **Saturday, *** Monday		
<i>[We shall be grateful if you would refrain from contacting the Clergy on their rest days. Thank you.]</i>			
St Paul's Church, Wokingham			
Parish Administrator	Louise Cole	church.office@spauls.org.uk	0118 979 2122
Parish Rooms Bkgs	Vanessa Hemmi	parish.rooms@spauls.org.uk	0118 979 2122
PCC Secretary	Lesley Ruddock	pcc.secretary@spauls.org.uk	
Churchwarden	David Ruddock	david.ruddock@spauls.org.uk	0118 437 6104
Churchwarden	Peter Wells	peter.wells@spauls.org.uk	0118 377 6351
Treasurer	Lyn Austen	lyn.austen@spauls.org.uk	0118 978 9123
Stewardship	Stuart Fairhead	stewardship@spauls.org.uk	0118 979 4437
Senior Server	Peter Wells	1 Barkhart Drive	0118 377 6351
Parish Pioneer	Paul Armitage	paul.armitage@uwclub.net	
Music Director	Louise Turner	louise_turner71@hotmail.com	0118 988 2815
Choir Secretary	Lesley Ruddock	lesley_ruddock@hotmail.co.uk	0118 437 6104
Tower Captain	Ken Davenport	47 Brookside	0118 978 6554
Church Flowers	Sue Davenport	47 Brookside	0118 978 6554
Safeguarding Officer	Chris Barker	Church.office@spauls.org.uk	
Social Committee / Stitch Together	Margaret Davies	stitch-together@outlook.com www.stitchtogether.wordpress.com	
Coffee & Chat	Susanna Allen		0118 377 4133
St Paul's Taverners	Chris Rutter	chris_k_rutter@hotmail.com	0118 961 9781
Mothers' Union	Teri Austen		0118 978 9123
Welcome Club	Jackie Alexander	49 Cantley Crescent	0118 327 8739
Children's Advocate	Jason Searancke	childrens.advocate@spauls.org.uk	0790 067 8572
Senior Squad	Pauline Wells	pwells@ntlworld.com	0118 377 6351
J Club	Becca Lamey	beccalamey@btinternet.com	0118 327 9116
First Steps	Liz Gallagher	lizgallagher1952@gmail.com	0118 989 1176
Head Teacher	Julianne Taylor	St Paul's C of E Controlled Jr School	0118 978 5219
Churchyard Working Party		churchyard@spauls.org.uk	
The Spire Magazine Editors		spire.editor@gmail.com	
The Community Church of St Nicholas, Emmbrook			
Pro-Warden	Liz Gallagher	lizgallagher1952@gmail.com	0118 989 1176
Pro-Warden	Fiona Albinson	Fiona@albinson.co.uk	0118 978 9181
Treasurer	Tony Roberts	22 Lowther Road	0118 979 5351
Secretary	Anne Armitage	anne.armitage@uwclub.net	0118 979 3533
Sunday School	Anne Armitage	anne.armitage@uwclub.net	0118 979 3533
Children's Advocate	Sally Dowling	29 Sewell Avenue	0118 978 2729
Newsletter	Lynne Judge	lynne@dadays.co.uk	

The Spire Magazine 2020

I would like to subscribe to The Spire Magazine. Each subscription costs £10.

Full Name (please print)

Address (including postcode)

Telephone (please include STD code)

Email

Payment may be paid with cash, by cheque, or directly into the church's bank account. Please circle your method of payment.

- I enclose £ (cash) for subscription(s).
[Please place cash in a sealed envelope with your 'NAME and SPIRE SUBSCRIPTIONS' on the front and return it to the office.]
- I enclose a cheque for £
- I have paid £ by bank transfer using the details below:

Account Name: PCC of St Paul's Parish Wokingham
Sort code: 20-11-74
Account No. 80683752
Please use Payment Ref. **SPIRE plus YOUR LAST NAME**

Signature

You will be able to collect your magazine from your home church. To subscribe by post, please contact the office. You will need to provide envelopes and stamps to cover costs.

NB: Your personal details will be held in a secure area for the purposes of parish magazine business only. No information will be shared with a third party.

Please return your form and payment to:

'Spire Subscriptions', c/o Mrs Louise Cole
Church Office, St Paul's Parish Rooms
Reading Road, Wokingham RG41 1EH

Telephone: 0118 979 2122
Email: church.office@spauls.org.uk



The Parish of St Paul, Wokingham

LENT COURSE 2020



ABUNDANT LIFE

Reflections on the Raising of Lazarus

Steven Croft

Tuesday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st March

2.30-4.00pm at St Paul's Parish Rooms, Reading Road

8.00-9.30pm at Woosehill Church

For further details contact the parish office: 0118 979 2122/ church.office@spauls.org.uk