

Pews News

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



The Parish of St Paul, Wokingham

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ to this house of prayer, especially if you are with us for the first time today. We invite anyone who wishes to receive Holy Communion to come to God's altar, regardless of age. Please tell the priest if you need a gluten-free wafer. If you'd prefer to receive a prayer of blessing please come forward with everyone else and keep your head bowed at the rail.

11th March 2018: Mothering Sunday

8.00am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Mthr Julie
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass: St Paul's and St Nick's	Fr Richard
Hymns: The Lord's My Shepherd, 264, 187, 186			
Setting: St Anne's Mass, <i>J Macmillan</i>			
Gradual: Ad te levavi Anthem: Love Devine, <i>H Goodall</i>			
10.00am	Woosehill	Communion	Fr Patrick
6.15pm	St Paul's	Healing Mass	Fr Patrick

Collect: God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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. **Amen.**

Post Communion: Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Extinguishing the Lenten Candles, we say together:

As we journey into Lent, may we do justice, love mercy and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

White Gift Aid envelopes are available in each pew for visitors. If you're a UK tax payer we can reclaim the tax on the amount you donate, but please remember to fill in your name and address on the envelope. Thank you.

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Thank you to everyone who rallied around last week to ensure that we could all worship in the warmth. There was a lot involved in relocating to the Parish Rooms and many people helped in many ways. Thank you, all.

The Week Ahead: 12th – 17th March

Mon	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	8.00pm	Parish Rms	St Nick's Council	
Tues	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	2.00pm	Parish Rms	Welcome Club	Jackie Alexander
	2.30pm	Mthr Julie's	Lent Course – 13 Brook Close	Mthr Julie
	8.00pm	Woosehill	Lent Course	Mthr Julie
Wed	8.30am	Woosehill	Morning Prayer	
	10.30am	Teri's	House Mass – 17 Martins Dr	Rev'd Judi Hattaway
Thurs	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	9.30am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Fr Richard
	10.30am	West Oak	Communion	Rev'd Judi Hattaway
	10.30am	Kennet Court	Communion	Fr Patrick
Fri	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	2.00pm	Parish Rms	Coffee and Chat	Susanna Allen
Sat	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	9.00am	St Paul's	Stations of the cross	Mthr Julie
	9.30am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Mthr Julie
			Churchyard Workparty	Andy Clark

18th March 2018: Fifth Sunday of Lent (Passion Sunday)

8.00am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Fr Patrick
8.45am	Woosehill	Communion	Methodist
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Rev'd Judi Hattaway

Readings: Jeremiah 31.31-34; Hebrews 5.5-10; John 12.20-33

Hymns: 94, 90, 82, 83

Setting: St Anne's Mass, *J Macmillan*

Gradual: Ad te levavi, *I Ord-Hume* **Anthem:** Wir setzen uns, *J S Bach*

10.00am	Woosehill	Methodist Service
1.00pm	St Paul's	Baptism of Max Carpenter and Logan Ayres
6.15pm	St Paul's	Choral Evensong with 2018 Sermon

Responses: Smith **Psalm:** 34 **Hymns:** 341, 84

Canticles: The Short Service, *O Gibbons* **Anthem:** Drop, drop slow tears, *Gibbons*

Living Out the Beatitudes: *The Beatitudes and the Mystery of Grace*

The Rev'd Dr Will Lamb is the vicar of St Mary the Virgin, Oxford (the University Church). He was previously vice-principal of Westcott House and has served as a parish priest in Yorkshire and is a New Testament scholar.

Notices

Stations of the Cross

Saturdays in Lent; 9.00am

This weeks Stations of the Cross will focus on an act of remembrance, reflecting that this year is 100 years since the end of WW1.

Palm Cross Making

Wed 21st March, 8pm – 10pm

**Thurs 22nd March, drop in between
2.30pm – 8pm**

60 Valley Crescent (Geraldine's)

All are welcome. Do not worry if you do not know how to make palm crosses as tuition will be given along with tea/coffee and biscuits. If you can bring scissors that will be helpful (but not your best ones as the palms may blunt them). This is a fun social time and you are very welcome. My thanks to all who brought back their palm crosses for ashing.

Geraldine Lea (978 6420)

Easter Breakfast

There will be the usual Easter Breakfast on Easter Sunday, following the dawn service. Please could any donations of Prosecco be given to Janet Charlton, Geraldine Lea or Margaret Davies. Remember to watch out for the sign up sheet in church!

Skittles Evening

Saturday 5th May

Parish Rooms

More details to follow, but reserve the date for some bowling fun.

Session 1: 3.30pm – 5.00pm

Session 2: from 6.00pm

Pizza meal 5.00 – 6.00pm

Watch out for the sign up sheet to book your place.

Lent Course

Tuesday 13th March

2.30pm: 13 Brook Close (Julie and Keith's)

8pm: Woosehill Church

The greatest gift that Jesus offers is life. The life he brings is generous and joyful, it is liberating and purposeful. It is a life lived to the full and overflows to bring life to others. Like a good shepherd, he loves deeply and personally - and at great cost. He lets go of his life so that we can receive life.

Easter Lilies

There will be the opportunity to remember a loved one by donating the cost of a lily (£2.50) for the decoration of the Church at Easter. If you would like to participate, please let me have the name/s of the person to be remembered, together with the donation, or alternatively donations can be left at the Parish Office. All names will be displayed in the Church at Easter. Please let me have names and donations by Sun 25th March.

Sue Davenport

Woosehill Quiz Night

Sat 12th May; 6.45pm

Parish Rooms

Thinking caps on!!

Fish/Sausage/Veggie and chips will be served around 8pm. Please bring your own drinks and nibbles. Everyone welcome please bring friends and family, teams of 8, bring a whole team or join friends once you get there. The cost is a mere £10 per person. Names, money and food options to Lynne. Last orders 29th April.

Contact details to follow

The Spire Subscriptions

The March Spire is available at the back of church. If you have already subscribed then please collect your named copy. Next month we will be printing to order, as explained on p34 of this month's Spire. Please act now to ensure that you continue to get a copy. There will be still be copies available at the back of church for visitors to purchase but we would encourage church 'regulars' to assist in keeping the printing costs to a minimum by letting us know if you would regularly like a copy.

Jane Clark

Coffee and Chat

Are looking for jigsaws suitable for people with dementia. Ideally, 80 – 100 pieces with larger pieces that are easier to handle, but with an adult style picture. Please speak to Susanna if you can help.

Susanna Allen

St Mark's Gospel Live!

Thursday 15th March; 7.30pm

St Mary's Church, Wargrave

A dramatised recital of Mark's Gospel. Free entry. Refreshments from 7pm. See the noticeboard for more details.

Electoral Roll

The Electoral Roll is open for revision until Sun 25th March. If you have been attending church for six months and would like to be included on the Roll, applications forms are available in church or in the Parish Office. If you are already on the Roll, you do not need to do anything unless there are changes in your details, in which case a new form would be appreciated. Please speak to me or to Fr Richard if you have any questions.

Teri Austen

CTW Away Day

Saturday 24th March; 9.30am – 3.30pm

St Crispins School

Building relationships, fellowship, focusing on local mission and looking how we move our strategic local mission from Good to Great. Speak to Fr Richard or Louise Cole if you'd like to represent our church.

CTW: Good Friday

You are loved – no exceptions

We start at the Salvation Army Citadel in Sturges Road from 11am. There will be a short service at 11.40 followed by the procession behind the cross to Howard Palmer Gardens. Here, at 12 noon there will be a dramatised reflection with readings and music, after which the cross will proceed to All Saints Church.

Regular Giving

I would like to take this opportunity to encourage those people who are currently on the numbered envelope scheme to consider changing their method of giving to a Bankers Order. A monthly Bankers Order is the most efficient way to donate and removes any uncertainty on locating cash for the Sunday collection! This provides the treasurer with a better level of confidence when forecasting income and eliminates any security concerns of possible cash on the premises. If you would like to take up this method please contact myself or Tina and we will pass a Bankers Order form to you to complete and give to your bank. You probably already pay for Gas, Electricity and Council Tax etc. by Bankers Order, so why not join the 75% of regular donors and add St. Paul's to a Banker's Order as well?

Jerome & Tina Selwyn-Smith – Stewardship Team (0118 979 2819)

Prayers

Please note that the prayer list for the sick is updated the first week of each month. If you wish to keep a name on the prayer list please let the office know by the start of April. Thank you.

The sick: Fr Ivor, Fr Roy, Linda Gascoigne, Vince Pearson, Patricia, Mary Taylor, Hilary Ruddock, Mary Cassidy, Ted Weaver.

Families needing our prayer: Carine Zubke and family

The Recently Departed: Murial Baylis, Maurice Ayres, John Street, David Haywood.

Year's Mind: (11th) Gladys Ingleson; (12th) George Eggleston, Raymond Chipper; (13th) Beatrice Bowden, Desmond Kelly, Arthur Lloyd-Davies; (14th) James Bowden; (15th) David Organ.

Our Swedish Link Parish, Vaxjo: "We are searching for ways to find space for a preschool day care in Johanneskyrkan, with possibilities to maintain a good parish life. We are soon about to decide whether to do it or not."

The Parish Prayer: God of mission, who alone brings growth to your church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Fr Richard Lamey	327 9116	rector@spauls.org.uk	Rest Day Sat
Fr Patrick Mukholi	977 3397	patrick.mukholi@spauls.org.uk	Rest Day Mon
Mthr Julie Mintern	327 7839	julie.mintern@spauls.org.uk	Rest Day Fri
Rev'd Judi Hattaway	976 1197	judihattaway@mac.com	Rest Day Fri

Churchwardens

David Ruddock	437 6104	david.ruddock@spauls.org.uk
Peter Wells	377 6351	peter.wells@spauls.org.uk

The Parish Office

Church Administrator

Becca Lamey	979 2122	church.office@spauls.org.uk	10.00am – 12.30pm
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Parish Rooms Administrator

Louise Cole	979 2122	parish.rooms@spauls.org.uk	12.30pm – 2.30pm
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Please note that the parish office is now closed every Wednesday, but open on Fridays.
