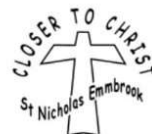


Pews News

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.

14th January 2018: Epiphany II

8.00am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Rev'd Jane Kraft
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Mthr Julie
	Readings: 1 Samuel 3.1-10[11-20]; Revelation 5.1-10; John 1.43-51		
	Hymns: 49, 271, 57, In Christ Alone Setting: Mass of St Thomas, <i>Thorne</i>		
	Gradual: Oriel Alleluia Anthem: In the bleak midwinter, <i>H Darke</i>		
10.00am	Woosehill	Live and Give	Fr Richard
11.00am	St Nick's	Communion	Mthr Julie
12.45pm	Parish Rms	Parish Lunch	Social Committee
1.00pm	St Paul's	Baptism of Sophia Quennell	
5.30pm	Suffolk Lodge	Communion	Mthr Julie
6.15pm	St Paul's	Healing Mass	Fr Patrick

Collect: Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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: God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **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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The Week Ahead: 15th – 20th January

Mon	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
Tues	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	8.00pm	Woosehill	Faith Pictures Bible Study	Fr Patrick
Wed	8.30am	Woosehill	Morning Prayer	
	10.30am	Liz's	House Mass –10 Ashton Rd	Fr Richard
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 Ct	Communion	Fr Patrick
	7.30pm		20s and 30s group	John and Pippa Sutton
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	Rosary	
	9.30am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Mthr Julie

21st January 2018: Epiphany III

8.00am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Fr Patrick
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Fr Richard
Readings: Genesis 14.17-20; Revelation 19.6-10; John 2.1-11			
Hymns: 55,280, 274, 364		Setting: Mass of St Thomas, <i>Thorne</i>	
Gradual: Oriel Alleluia		Anthem: O thou the central orb, <i>C Wood</i>	
10.00am	Woosehill	Covenant Service	Methodist
11.00am	St Nick's	Eucharist	Fr Richard
6.15pm	St Paul's	Choral Evensong with Sermon	Mthr Julie

Missional Vocation Statement for St Paul's

At the January meeting of the PCC members will be drafting a **Missional Vocation Statement** for St Paul's. This is an important document which needs to describe the **purpose** of the calling, ministry and identity of St Paul's. It is something that *everyone* should be working on -- praying, reflecting, discerning and contributing – so that it provides a foundation for all the planning and visioning of our missional efforts in the future. Please give this matter some prayerful thought and, when you have considered where the Holy Spirit may be leading us, please jot down a few words or phrases or an idea of a *single sentence* Missional Vocation Statement and email your ideas to mary.cassidy@spauls.org.uk BEFORE Saturday 27 January.

Mary Cassidy

Notices

God at work?

Have you seen God at work over Christmas and New Year? Don't forget to fill in a God at Work card to share with others.

Healing Mass – TONIGHT

St Paul's; 6.15pm

This evening there will be a Mass for Healing and Wholeness at 6.15pm at St Paul's. This is a reflective, gentle service to which all are welcome – we all know of people and places and situations in need of God's healing. If you would like specific prayer, for yourself or someone else, there will be people available to pray with you from 6.00pm in the church.

Mary Cassidy

Confirmation 2018

Sunday 21st October 2018

This year's confirmation service will be held at St Paul's. Anyone considering confirmation should talk to Fr Richard. It is offered to young people who will be in year 8 in October, and any adults wishing to confirm their faith. Please prayerfully consider whether you wish to be confirmed and discuss it with Richard as the preparation will need to be start soon.

Plant Survey

The church yard Bio-Diversity Team are looking for helpers to do another wild flower survey this year from February to October. Don't panic if you're not an expert; tuition will be given if required. If you would like to help please contact Georgina on g.l.spencer912@gmail.com

Faith Pictures

Tuesday 16th January; 8.00pm
Woosehill Church



Companions on the Journey

Session 5: discovering a Bible character who shares something of our journey. Come along and join in, even if this is your first time you are very welcome.

Prayer Walk

Sunday 21st January; 2:30 -4pm.
Methodist Church

In the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity we are walking together and praying together for the Town and the community. Meet at the Methodist Church for a guided prayer walk around the town centre followed by tea and cakes at the Methodist Church. There will be the opportunity to stay in church and pray if you do not want to walk. More details from Fr Richard or just come along.

Pancake Party

Tuesday 13th February

We are looking for a team of planners, flippers, quiz writers, shoppers ... to put together a fun packed evening for Shrove Tuesday. Probably early evening, to include younger children. If you can help make the Pancake Party happen, then please contact Becca or Mthr Julie.



New School Consultation

A new Primary School is being planned as part of the new development at Matthews Green Road. The bidding process to run the School is up and running and one of the bidders is going to be The Keys Trust, which is the local branch (as it were) of the Diocese of Oxford. They are keen to prove that that local community would be willing to have a Church school (like St Paul's) in the area. You are welcome to take extra copies of the form, or to make them, if you can think of other people who would also be happy to fill it in. It is a very short and easy form to fill in- can you please take the time to do so because it would be amazing if we had a second Church School to support and work with locally. Thanks.

Fr Richard

GIFT AID declaration

If you are a UK taxpayer, then St Paul's Church is able to reclaim the tax on your donations under the Gift Aid scheme. If you would like to help **your** Church reclaim this tax from HMRC, then it is vital that you complete a pre-printed and personalised Gift Aid form. In addition, the latest HMRC rules suggest that all declarations should be reconfirmed on a regular basis. Please let me know if you have:

1. Previously completed a Gift Aid form **BEFORE 2011**
2. Moved house and **NOT** completed a form showing your new address

Also, if you have completed a Gift Aid form, (or think you may have completed one), and you are no longer a UK taxpayer then tell me so that your declaration can be removed. All donations are very much appreciated for the running of our Church. Any addition, such as monies reclaimed from the taxman, really do help in paying the day to day financial commitments of the Parish.

If you have any queries please contact one of us. *Jerome & Tina Selwyn-Smith – Stewardship Team (0118 979 2819)*

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.

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 at the start of January. Thank you.

Our twin parish in Vaxjo, Sweden: For hope and certainty as they embark on their ministry in 2018.

The work of our Church: as plans are made for 2018 and beyond pray for good decisions and a discernment of God's will.

Those being baptised this week: Sophia Quennell

The sick: Helen Mukholi, Fr Ivor, Fr Ken, Fr Roy, Carine Zubke, John Griffin, Hilary Ruddock, Edna Priest, Gunther, Linda Gascoigne, Colin Lee, Bette Cobden.

Families needing out prayers: Jill and family

The Recently Departed: Jayne Robson, Jean Proctor, Clara Edwards, Kathleen Lee, Bernice Brace, Rosemary Machado.

Year's Mind: (17th) Diana Hardy; (18th) Doreen Burgess; (20th) Arthur Higgs, Frederick Bentley, Beryl Thome, John Lea.

Please pray for the charities we support and the work they do to help our community and wider world. Our charities are currently Soulscape, USPG and Children's Society.

Please do use these subjects in the course of your daily prayers alongside those individuals for whom we pray.

Monday	Schools; for families, children, headteachers, staff and governors
Tuesday	Wokingham hospital; nursing homes; patients, staff and carers
Wednesday	Churches of our Parish; our shared fellowship and mission and for PMC
Thursday	Refugees and those without a fixed address
Friday	Churches Together in Wokingham; their projects and witness
Saturday	Town Borough Council; Councillors and Mayors and decision makers