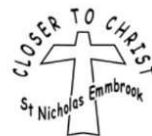


Pews News

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.

4th March 2018: Third Sunday in Lent

8.00am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Fr Richard
8.45am	Woosehill	Communion	Fr Patrick
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Fr Richard

Readings: Exodus 20.1-17; 1 Corinthians 1.18-25; John 2.13-22

Hymns: 379, 383, 62, 73 **Setting:** St Anne's Mass, *J Macmillan*

Gradual: Ad te levavi **Anthem:** Remember not Lord our offences, *H Purcell*

10.00am	Woosehill	Morning Service	Fr Patrick
11.00am	St Nick's	See, hear, live!	Rev'd Roy Burgess
1.00pm	St Paul's	Baptism of Travis Gibson and Jenson Horrod	
6.15pm	St Paul's	Evening Song and Benediction	Fr Richard

Responses: Plainsong **Psalm:** 11 **Canticles:** Fauxbourdons, *D Jones*

Hymn: 59 **Anthem:** Remember not Lord our offences, *H Purcell*

Collect: Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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: Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; 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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The Week Ahead: 5th – 10th March

Mon	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
Tues	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	2.30pm	John & Jenny	Lent Course – 16 Oaklands Drive	Fr Patrick
	8.00pm	Woosehill	Lent Course	Fr Patrick
Wed	8.30am	Woosehill	Morning Prayer	
	10.30am	Jackie's	House Mass 49 Cantley Crescent	Fr Patrick
Thurs	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	9.15am	St Paul's	First Steps	Liz Gallagher
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	Fr Patrick
	12 noon	Parish Rms	Lent Lunch	

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

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

Notices

Stations of the Cross

Saturdays in Lent; 9.00am

Lasting approximately 20 minutes and leading into Low Mass (if you wish to stay) the Stations of the Cross are an ideal way to reflect upon the events of Holy Week and prepare yourself for Easter. They happen every Saturday throughout Lent in St Paul's Church.

Lent Lunches

Saturday 10th March

12noon – 2pm

Come and share a simple lunch of soup and bread and leave a donation for our charities. If you are intending to be there, please could you sign the form at the back of church to give an indication of numbers for catering.

Lent Course

Tuesday 6th March

2.30pm: 16 Oaklands Drive (John and Jenny's)

8pm: Woosehill Church

This week the theme is light and how we are called to 'Shine as Lights'.

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

Mothering Sunday

Sunday 11th March; 9.30am

We will be celebrating Mothering Sunday together with St Nick's, at St Paul's

Posies: These will be made on Saturday 10th March in church. Volunteers needed please. Please let the office know if you can coordinate this – all flowers and greenery provided.

Coffee: Gentlemen, would anyone who does not regularly serve coffees be willing to serve coffees after the St Paul's 9.30 Mass. Full training will be given beforehand! Please contact Jenny Ellerbeck (978 3470)

Palm Cross Making

Come and join in making the Palm Crosses in preparation for the Palm Sunday procession. There are two opportunities:
Wed 14th March, 8pm – 10pm
Thurs 15th March, drop in between 2.30pm and 8pm.
Both are at Geraldine's, 60 Valley Crescent.

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!

Readers and Intercessors

If you would like to be added to the Readers and Intercessors rota to either read the lesson or lead the prayers, please speak to David Ruddock or Peter Wells by 5th March so you can be included in the next rota. Thank you.

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

Coffee Notices

If you are on the coffee rota and need the key for opening the Parish Rooms please contact me and I will arrange to let you have it before Sunday morning. Thank you.

Jenny Ellerbeck 0118 978 3470

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.

Inside Out

Saturday 24th March; 2pm – 4.30pm

Garth Hill College

An exhibition created by young people aged 13 – 18 from Wokingham and Bracknell as part of Soulscape's mental health and well being project which aims to promote healthy and open conversations around issues of mental health and well being. Find out some more about Soulscape, one of our charities we support this year.

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

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 Richard or Louise Cole if you'd like to represent our church.

Romero – Heartbeat of El Salvador

Friday 9th March; 7pm

Holme Grange School

RISE Theatre are performing this new play which tells the true story of Blessed Oscar Romero and the people of El Salvador. Suitable for adults and children 11+.

To Apply For your **Free Ticket** please contact 0118 978 0348 or email

wokingham@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Parish Rooms

We have 30 green chairs and some large tables to dispose of. If anyone would like a green chair from upstairs in the Parish Rooms then please help yourself. If you are able to help transport large items to the rubbish tip then please speak to Louise Cole in the office.

Thank you

Team Lamey would like to thank everyone who sponsored them to cycle from London to Oxford. We completed the ride a few weeks ago and raised £577 for Children in Need.

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.

Those being baptised today: Travis Gibson and Jenson Horrod.

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: Bette Cobden, Murial Baylis, Arthur Carpenter, Glenn Wass, Maurice Ayres, John Street, David Haywood.

Year's Mind: (5th) Herbert Smith; (6th) Charlotte Walter; (7th) Ethel Dixon, Paula Billington; (8th) John Benson, Elizabeth Doney; (9th) Henrietta Newberry, Margaret Barry.

Places where there is violence and war: Let us pray for the millions of people uprooted and shattered by the ongoing and devastating conflicts in South Sudan and the Democratic Republic of Congo. Almighty God, bring peace. Also for the hundreds of innocents killed and wounded in the attacks on Damascus. Almighty God, bring peace.

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.
