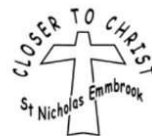


Pews News

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.

21st January 2018: Epiphany III

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

Readings: Revelation 19.6-10; John 2.1-11

Hymns: 55, 280, 274, 364 **Setting:** Mass of St Thomas, *Thorne*

Gradual: Oriel Alleluia **Anthem:** O thou the central orb, *C Wood*

Voluntary: Marche Aux Flambeaux by Frederick Scotson Clark (1840 – 1883)

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

Responses: Smith Psalm: 62 Hymns: 57, 248

Canticles: Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in B minor, *T T Noble*

Anthem: O thou the central orb, *C Wood*

Collect: Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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.**

Communion: Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **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: 22nd – 27th January

Mon	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	7.30pm	Parish Rms	Mothers' Union	Ann Grice
	8.00pm	Parish Rms	PMC Prayers	Mary Cassidy
Tues	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	8.00pm	Woosehill	Faith Pictures Bible Study	Mthr Julie
Wed	8.30am	Woosehill	Morning Prayer	
	10.30am	Liz's	House Mass –10 Ashton Rd	Rev'd Judi Hattaway
	10.30am	St Paul's	Internment of Joan Short's Ashes	
Thurs	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	9.30am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Mthr Julie
Fri	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	11.00am	Alex Grange	Communion	Rev'd Jane Kraft
	1.00pm	Parish Rms	PMC Balloon Ride	Fr Richard
	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	Fr Patrick
	10.00am	St Paul's	Bell Peal for the Conversion of St Paul	
	4.45pm	St Paul's	Wedding Blessing of Rahul and Neha Tak	

28th January 2018: Conversion of St Paul

8.00am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Fr Patrick
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Fr Patrick
Readings: Genesis 14.17-20; Revelation 19.6-10; John 2.1-11			
Hymns: 155, 56, 360, 391		Setting: Mass of St Thomas, <i>Thorne</i>	
Gradual: Oriel Alleluia		Anthem: Locus iste, <i>A Bruckner</i>	
10.00am	Woosehill	Communion	Fr Richard
11.00am	St Nick's	Eucharist	Rev'd Judi Hattaway
1.00pm	St Paul's	Baptism of Benjamin Orchard	
4.00pm	Woosehill	Messy Church	Fr Patrick
4.30pm	St Nick's	Christingle	Fr Richard
6.15pm	Woosehill	Evening Service	Fr Patrick

Notices

Prayer Walk

TODAY 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.

Faith Pictures

Tuesday 23rd January; 8.00pm

Woosehill Church



Hidden Opportunities

Session 6: finding out what God is doing and joining in.

Come along and join in, even if this is your first time you are very welcome.

Mothers' Union

Monday 22nd Jan; 7.30pm

Parish Rooms

We will be celebrating the New Year with an evening of nibbles, drinks and games. All are welcome to join us. *Ann Grice*

Palm Crosses for Ash Wednesday

Please return your Palm Crosses for burning to produce the Ash for Ash Wednesday. There will be baskets at the back of Church to receive them, or they can be returned directly to me.

Geraldine Lea

Christingle Service

Sunday 28th Jan; 4.30pm

Emmbrook Village Hall

The decorations have been put away and Christmas may feel long gone, but come and join St Nick's and the local community for a Christingle celebration marking the end of Christmas. Bring back the festive feel and remember that the Light of the World is born.

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.

Messy Church

Sunday 28th Jan; 4.00pm

Woosehill



A family celebration of Candlemas involving Candle Making and Decorating. Especially good fun for primary school children.

Pancake Party

Tuesday 13th February

5.30 – 7.00pm

We are looking for a team of planners, flippers, quiz writers, shoppers ... to put together a fun packed evening for Shrove Tuesday. If you can help make the Pancake Party happen, then please contact Becca or Mthr Julie. Put the date in your diary to come along - £2 per eating person!



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

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.

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)*

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

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.

The Wedding blessing of Rahul and Neha Taq

The sick: Fr Ivor, Fr Ken, Fr Roy, Carine Zubke, John Griffin, Hilary Ruddock, Edna Priest, Gunther, Linda Gascoigne, Colin Lee, Vince Pearson

Families needing out prayers: Jill and family

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

Year's Mind: (23rd) Herbert Shaw; (24th) Lillian Woods, Harold Townley; (25th) Arnold Goyder; (27th) Mary Marlon, Rachel Henle.

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.

We are delighted that Helen Mukholi came home from hospital this week. Please hold Helen, Patrick and Jonathan in your prayers as they adjust, and give thanks to God for Helen's progress. Please give them time to settle to such a change, but also do offer if you are able to help at all.

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.