

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. **Anybody, of any age, who has been baptised in any Christian Church, is warmly invited to receive the Eucharist here.**

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.

We are a Church family committed to welcoming all those who come as God's precious and beloved child, whatever their age or race, sexuality or experience, background or confidence in Church. We only become the Church God is calling us to be when everybody is made welcome and everybody is freed to contribute and join in.

Welcome home.

25th August: Tenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Fr Richard
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Fr Richard
Readings: Isaiah 58.9b-14, Luke 13.10-17			
Hymns: 234, 379, 353, 466			
Setting: Mass of St Thomas, <i>Thorne</i>			
10.00am	Woosehill	Communion	Rev'd Jane Kraft
11.00am	St Nick's	Community Eucharist	Fr Richard
12 noon	St Paul's	Baptism of Lily Lewis	Rev'd Jane Kraft

Collect: Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Post Communion God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Week Ahead: 25th – 31st August

Mon	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
Tue	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
Wed	10.30am	Liz's	House Mass, 10 Ashton Rd	Rev'd Judi Hattaway
Thurs	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	9.30am	St Paul's	Communion	Fr Richard
Friday	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	2.00pm	Parish Rms	Coffee & Chat	Susanna Allen
Sat	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	9.30am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Mary Cassidy
	1.00pm	St Paul's	Wedding of Grace Huxford & John Morgan	Fr Richard

1st September: Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

8.00am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Fr Richard
8.45am	Woosehill	Communion	Rev'd Judi Hattaway
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass & Baptism of Bethan Searancke	Fr Richard
	Readings: Hebrews 13.1-8,15,16 Luke 14.1,7-14		
	Hymns: 415, 434, 433, 459		
	Setting: Mass of St Thomas, <i>Thorne</i>		
10.00am	Woosehill	Morning Worship	Doreen Murgatroyd
11.00am	St Nick's	See, hear, live!	Rev'd Judi Hattaway
1.00pm	St Paul's	Baptism of Blake & Harper Robinson	Fr Richard

Some things in the parish take a break during the summer holidays- the choir, J-Club and Senior Squad, the Tuesday Bible Study and Sunday evening services. Other things (most things) carry on including the midweek Eucharists, Coffee and Chat and Morning Prayer. Why not take these next weeks to try something new?

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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Notices

News from Father Richard

Fr Richard has been asked by Bishop Steven to act as Assistant Archdeacon between now and Christmas, covering the change of Bishop and Archdeacon in the Berkshire area. This is planned to be for two days a week. It is a great compliment to the parish. It will of course put pressure on the leadership of the parish and we particularly ask for your prayers, support and understanding in these next months.

Parish Walk

There will be a parish walk today, so please look out your walking boots and come along. We will meet at the Parish Rooms car park at 2pm in order to share lifts.

Art Exhibition Thanks

Thank you for all your hard work, contributions baking and serving refreshments during the Art Exhibition. We made a profit of about £800.

Mothers' Union

Please note that as from **September** all meetings of the St Paul and St Nicholas branch of the Mothers' Union will be on the **second** Monday of the month. The next meeting will, therefore, be on 9th September in the Carpenter Room starting at 7.30pm when there will be a talk on dementia. Please come and join us.

Ride&Stride 2019

This annual nationwide sponsored event to raise money for church buildings is on **Saturday 14th September**. St Paul's will continue to play a leading role in this. We shall join churches across the county to visit local buildings on foot or cycle backed by sponsorship from those who value these many and varied buildings which form a vital part of our Christian heritage.

I now have the details and sponsor forms for those who wish to play an active part and will soon be looking for volunteers to perform the important welcoming role in our own building. Further details (and the forms) may be found on the website: <http://www.berkschurcheTrust.org.uk/>
Chris Townsend Tel: 0118 9781218

St Frideswide Pilgrimage

We currently have 12 of us joining the diocesan St Frideswide Pilgrimage on Saturday 19th October. There are 2 groups; a longer and shorter route, the shorter pilgrimage also being suited for families and children. If you would like to join in then let Becca know as soon as possible. We will share lifts and work out the transport arrangements nearer the time. More information is available at the back of church.

Bible Study

Our regular Tuesday evening Bible Study will be starting again on 10th September, 8-9.30 pm at Woosehill Church. We will be looking at 'David, God's true king'. Everyone is very welcome to come along, even if you can come to only one or two sessions.

Parish Office opening hours

The parish office will be open as usual from 10am to 1pm every day apart from Wednesday, but please note there will be no-one in the office after 1pm this week.

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 September. Thank you.

The sick: Tom North, Fr Roy and Beth, Richard, Thelma, Mark, Charlotte Cheshire & family, Mary Kay

The Recently Departed: Fr Ivor, Alicia Clegg, Violet Richards, Nicola Spooner, Brandy Harper, PC Andrew Harper

Year's Mind: (25th) Myrtle Duffy; (26th) Keith Hopwood, Ena Price; (30th) Rev'd Joseph Brown; (31st) Mark Tildesley, Vivienne Lamey

Baptism: Lily Lewis, to be baptised this afternoon

Wedding: Grace Huxford and John Morgan, to be married on Saturday

We pray for all who have just received exam results - that they will all know that the results are not a definition of character or identity and that their worth as individuals, irrespective of how well they feel they have done, is infinite.

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
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: Closed on Wednesdays

Church Administrator

Louise Cole	979 2122	church.office@spauls.org.uk	10.00am – 1.00pm
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Parish Rooms Administrator

Vanessa Hemmi	979 2122	parish.rooms@spauls.org.uk	12 noon – 2.30pm
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Riverside Park Open Day – Thursday 29th August 10.30-3pm

Wokingham Borough Council has again arranged a community day with South East Rivers Trust and Friends of the Emm Brook. It will be happening at the wildlife pond behind Morrison's and is for anyone who might be interested in looking at what is living in the Brook and hearing about the plans for restoration.

Last year we were able to help by serving tea and coffee, and the community engagement co-ordinator has asked if we might be able to do that again this year. It's quite short notice but it would be great if we could support this local community event.

We have also been asked if we could deliver leaflets to the following roads: Meadow Road, Arthur Road, Reading Road, Perkins Way, Heelas Road and Oxford Road. If anyone feels they could offer an hour of refreshment serving or leaflet delivering, please could you get in touch with the office ASAP. Thank you!

Walk with Bishop Steven

On Tuesday 3rd September, Bishop Steven is going to be walking round the Deanery, visiting several churches including All Saints and Woosehill. A route has been planned, starting in Owlsmoor at 9am, with lunch at All Saints at about 12.30 and ending at approximately 4pm in Winnersh.

Everyone is welcome to join the Bishop at any point on his journey. If anyone would like to be there for the whole day, please let the office know ASAP - we may be able to arrange to drive a car to the start and end points.

Woosehill Church Harvest Weekend and Flower Festival

Saturday 28th September 2pm-5pm, Sunday 29th September 12-3pm
Tea/Coffee and cake served on Saturday, soup & bread on Sunday

Come along to find out about all the things we do and the other groups that use the church building. Proceeds will go to Yeldall Manor, Wokingham Foodbank and the Woosehill Church defibrillator fund. More information from lynnepaine@yahoo.co.uk

Gospel Imprint leaflets

There is a new selection of leaflets at the back of the church (in blue, yellow and pink), covering subjects such as 'Belief in the Eucharist' and 'How can I pray?'. Do take a couple home with you – they will be replenished and new subjects added every few weeks.