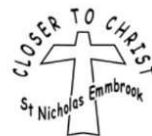


Pews News

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.

24th December: Fourth Sunday in Advent

8.00am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Mthr Julie
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Mthr Julie
Readings: 2 Samuel 7.1-11,16; Romans 16.25-27; Luke 1.26-38 Hymns: 10, 185, 187, 9 Anthem: Alma Mater Redemptoris, <i>G P da Palesrina</i> Setting: St Anne's Mass, <i>J McMillan</i> Gradual: Judah and Jerusalem Voluntary: Gregorian Prelude on 'Rorate Caeli', <i>Jeanne Demessieux</i>			
10.00am	Woosehill	Communion	Fr Patrick
11.00am	St Nick's	Communion	Rev'd Judi Hattaway
Christmas Eve Services			
3.00pm	St Paul's	Christingle	Fr Richard
4.00pm	Woosehill	Crib Service	Fr Patrick
5.00pm	St Paul's	Christingle	Fr Richard
9.00pm	St Nick's	Christmas Eve Service	Rev'd Judi Hattaway
11.00pm	St Paul's	Midnight Mass	Fr Richard
The choir will lead informal singing of carols around the Christmas Tree from 10.30pm. Hymns: 30, 29, 36, 25 Setting: Mass of St Thomas, <i>Thorne</i> Voluntary: Final from Symphonie No.1, <i>Louis Vierne</i>			
11.30pm	Woosehill	Midnight Mass	Fr Patrick

Collect: God our redeemer, who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of your Son: grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour, so we may be ready to greet him when he comes again as our judge; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Post Communion: Heavenly Father, who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of the promised saviour: fill us your servants with your grace, that in all things we may embrace your holy will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

25th December: Christmas Day

8.00am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Mthr Julie
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Fr Richard
<p>Readings: Isaiah 40.1-5, 9-11; Luke 2.8-20 Hymns: 34, 22, 32, 26 omit v4 Setting: Mass of St Thomas, <i>Thorne</i> Voluntary: Chorale Prelude on 'In Dulci Jubilo' BWV 729, <i>J.S.Bach</i></p>			
10.00	Woosehill	Communion	Fr Patrick

The Week Ahead: 26th – 30th December

Tues	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
Wed	8.30am	Woosehill	Morning Prayer	
Thurs	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	9.30am	St Paul's	Holy Innocent's Low Mass	Mthr Julie
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	Rev'd Jane Kraft

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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31st December: The First Sunday of Christmas

8.00am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Mthr Julie
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Rev'd Judi Hattaway
Readings: Isaiah 61.10-62.3; Galations 4.4-7; Luke 2.15-21			
Hymns: 25, 22, 29, 39 Setting: Mass of St Thomas, <i>Thorne</i>			
Voluntary: Second Movement from Pastorale BWV590ii, <i>J.S.Bach</i>			
10.00am	Woosehill	Café Church	Fr Patrick
11.00am	St Nick's	Communion	Mthr Julie
6.15pm	St Paul's	New Year Service	Mthr Julie

The Week Ahead: 1st – 6th January

Mon	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
Tues	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
Wed	8.30am	Woosehill	Morning Prayer	
	10.30am	Teri's	House Mass – 17 Martins Drive	Rev'd Judi Hattaway
Thurs	8.30am	St Paul's	Morning Prayer	
	9.30am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Fr Patrick
	10.30am	West Oak	Communion	Rev'd Judi Hattaway
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	Communion by Extension	Mary Cassidy
		Churchyard Workparty		Andy Clark

7th January: The Epiphany

8.00am	St Paul's	Low Mass	Mthr Julie
8.45am	Woosehill	Communion	Fr Patrick
9.30am	St Paul's	Parish Mass	Fr Richard
Readings: Isaiah 60.1-6; Ephesians 3.1-12; Matthew 2.1-12			
Hymns: We three kings, 47, 48, 52 Setting: Mass of St Thomas, <i>Thorne</i>			
Gradual: Oriel Alleluia Anthem: Coventry Carol			
10.00am	Woosehill	Thanksgiving Service	Fr Patrick
11.00am	St Nick's	See, hear, live!	Mthr Julie
1.00pm	St Paul's	Baptism of Sophie Smith	
6.15pm	St Paul's	Evensong and Benediction	Mthr Julie

Notices

House Mass

Please note that there is no house mass on Wednesday 27th December, but it will continue as usual from Wednesday 3rd January.

Teri Austen

New Year's Service

Sunday 31st December; 6.15pm

St Paul's

Why not begin your New Year celebrations in or house of prayer? We will be giving thanks for 2017 and commend the New Year to God in a short New Year's Service.

Faith Pictures

Tuesday 9th January; 8.00pm

Woosehill Church



Really popular before Advent, we are continuing the course on Faith Pictures. Session 4 is 'Talking Pictures' looking at using picture-language to describe our faith. If you didn't come for the first half then please feel free to join in the

2018 Evensong Sermon Series

Living out the Beatitudes

18th Feb, 18th Mar, 20th May, 17th June, 15th July, 16th Sept, 21st Oct 2018

Please put the dates in your diary for next year. Any offers of help with refreshments would be welcomed by Margaret Davies, from individuals or church groups.

Change in the Parish Office

From the 2nd January there will be a new set up in the office. Louise Cole is joining the team and taking over the management of the Parish Rooms. Becca will continue to do the church related administration.

The office will be open from 10am to 2.30pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

If you have a church related matter then please speak to Becca, who will be working in the mornings, and if you have a Parish Rooms matter then please speak to Louise who is working in the afternoons.

We appreciate that there is some overlap between both church and parish rooms, but if you could try and broadly keep the right enquiries going to the right person, we will do our best while we find our feet. Watch this space to find out our new email addresses!

The phone number remains the same for both of us.

This is an exciting new opportunity to allow the growth of both Church and Parish Rooms activities and although the change may feel confusing at first, we trust it will lead to a more efficient service from the office. Thank you.

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: May they have a joyous Christmas as they celebrate Jesus' birth.

The sick: Ruth Boys, Helen Mukholi, Fr Ivor, Glenn Wass, Fr Ken, Fr Roy, Carine Zubke, Audrey Bennetts, Ted Weaver, Malcolm Armstrong-Irvine, Claire-in-Jesus-Christ, Samantha Harrington, John Griffin, Philip, Janet, June Vogel, Linda, Hilary Ruddock, Elma Kallenborne, Anthony Dean, Edna Priest, Gunther.

The Recently Departed: John Iddon, Renee Nightingale, Paul Kiermasz, Michael Sargeant, Don Saunders, Kathleen Welch, PC James Dixon, David Holder, Jayne Robson, Jean Proctor, Marianne Williams.

Year's Mind: (24th) William Allison, Peter Shepherd; (25th) Charles Cornall, Stanley Crew, Elizabeth Palmer; (26th) Gerald Handsworth, Ian Ord-Hume; (27th) Deryn Dick, Lily Poole, Vic Dyer; (29th) Thomas McNeish, Iain McIsaac, Gladys Dyer; (30th) Betty Arnold

(31st) Annie Arnold, Martha Goddard; (1st) Elsie Briggs, Hazel Jennings, Anita Mountain, Les Lovesey; (3rd) Leonard Strange; (4th) Vera Wicks; (6th) John Snell, Maria Lovesay, John Manson.

We remember: Charles WEST who gave his life in WW1. The bell will toll at 11am on the date of his death, 30th December 1917.

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.

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

Becca Lamey and Louise Cole 979 2122 office@spauls.org.uk

Please note that the parish office is now closed until Jan 2nd. If you have an urgent pastoral matter then please contact Mthr Julie. Thank you.
