



## E-Notice Sheet



# ST PAUL'S BECKENHAM

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2025

<b>8.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion (BCP)</b> With Rev'd Neil Fairlamb
<b>10.30am</b>	<p><b>Holy Communion</b> With Rev'd Clive Grinham leading and presiding, and we welcome Janice Bessant, from Holy Trinity with St John's, as our preacher. Theme: The unfailing love of God</p> <p>Readings:     Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18 read by Ann Birkett                     Luke 13: 31-35 read by John Blakely</p> <p>Prayers:        Led by Clari Harrington</p> <p><i>Children's Activities in the Hall – Sunday Squad for children aged 4-11, and a stay-and-play creche that parents/carers of babies and pre-schoolers are welcome to use, if you would like to. The service is streamed in the hall.</i></p> <p><i>Prayer after the Service – If you would like someone to pray with you, members of the prayer ministry group will be available in the Chapel.</i></p>
The 10.30am service will be live-streamed and available via <a href="#">St Paul's You Tube Channel</a>	

### *Special Prayer (Collect) for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent*

Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

<i>What's On</i>		
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am 12.00pm	Morning Prayer – in the Chapel Super Soup Lunch
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> March	7.30pm	CTiB Lent course sessions at St John's Eden Park, BR3 3JN
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am	Morning Prayer – in the Chapel
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am	Morning Prayer – in the Chapel
	10.00am	Babies & Toddler Group
	2.30pm	Friendship Group: 'Life begins at 40 – Spring follows!' Lent talk by Sue Gilder. All welcome
	6.30pm 7.30pm	Knit & Natter, Craft & Chatter Prayer for our Parish, Community and Nation (on Zoom)
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> March	9.00am	Morning Prayer – in the Chapel
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	9.30am	Connect Café
<b>Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> March</b> <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent</i>	8.00am 10.30am	<b>Holy Communion (BCP)</b> – With Rev'd Neil Fairlamb <b>Morning Worship</b> Readings: Isaiah 55: 1-9 and 1 Corinthians 10: 1-13 With Wesley Guy and David Charlesworth

## *St Paul's Notices*

**Super Soup Lunch** – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March, 12 noon at the back of church. Everyone is welcome! Join us for delicious homemade soup with crusty bread, and enjoy a warm, relaxing space, friendly company and conversation. There is no charge, although donations are welcome.

**Connect Café** – Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 9.30am – 11.30am. Bring your friends and neighbours (and yourself!). As well as the children's toys being out, we have a Book Exchange and a Green Corner. As ever, there will be good coffee and chat, with bacon butties and pastries ready for the hungry. All free; donations welcome. Our community litter-picking team will be out from 9.30am.

**Church Spring Clean** - Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am - 12.30pm. Please join us for our annual spring clean of the church and hall. This year there will be particular focus on the hall, kitchen, south porch - and window cleaning! If you can help, please sign the sheet at the back of church. Any questions, please speak to a church warden. Coffee and pastries will be available from 9am.

**Emergency Life Support/Defibrillator Course** – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April, 9.30am – 1pm. Spaces are still available if you are interested in attending this course. Please speak to Anne Harkness.

**Old Lectern Bible** - We would like to donate our old large black, leather-bound Bible to Simon Couper's church, as they do not have one and we have two. If you know the origin of this Bible, it would be helpful if you could let us know. Please contact the church office or a church warden.

**Mission Partner Updates** - Would you like to receive news for praise and prayer from any of the mission partners we support at St Paul's? If so, please email Marie Read (secretary of our Mission Team) [marieread1@gmail.com](mailto:marieread1@gmail.com) or put a note in the Mission Team pigeonhole (near where we serve coffee). For example, we have recently had up-to-date news from Ben and Katy Ray.

**Electoral Roll Forms** – If you are part of St Paul's Beckenham church family and would like to join or re-join the Electoral Roll, please return your form (copies available at the back of church) to Anne Howick. Every six years everyone is required to re-register on the church Electoral Roll.

**Sunday Morning Coffee Rota – Extra Help Needed.** Would you like to help serve coffee after the Sunday morning service approx. every five weeks? This is a great way to get involved and get to know people. Please contact Anne Harkness or Anthea Prendergast (church wardens).

**Lost property** - There is a new lost property box in the north aisle. If you have lost property in church it will be placed in the box and then disposed of after four weeks. Inside and outside the box are many items found in church over the Christmas period. If they are yours, please do reclaim them as soon as possible. Many thanks.

**Tea and Coffee** – Many thanks to the Wells home group for serving tea and coffee on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March. On 23<sup>rd</sup> March, the Birkett home group will be on duty.

## *Helping the Homeless?*

Following on from Rebecca Day's presentation on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, about the houses that Hope into Action set up to help homeless people, there is a Befriending and Support meeting where you can find out how you could take part as a Hope into Action Bromley volunteer. Hope into Action has volunteers from a number of churches to offer befriending, support and Christian love to help sustain the tenants in their new homes. If you have a heart for helping the homeless, why not come along and find out more? It is on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March, 7pm, at St Augustine's church, Southborough Lane, BR2 8AT.

There is one copy still available at the back of church of the book 'A House built on Love'. This is the book by Ed Walker that Rebecca Day recommended and is the inspiring story of Hope into Action, written by one of the founders. Please feel free to borrow.

## Community Notices

**Mendelssohn's Elijah Sing-Along.** Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2pm at Bromley High School, Blackbrook Lane, Bromley. Sing along to the choruses with The Orpington Chorale, under Dominic Wells with Kathryn Bartlett, piano. £10 payable at the door, includes tea/coffee and cake.

**Beckenham Chorale** – Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 7pm, St George's Beckenham. Mozart C Minor Mass, Excultate, Jubilate and other works. Tickets from [www.ticketsource.co.uk/beckenhamchorale](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/beckenhamchorale).

**Brahms Requiem & Poulenc Gloria** - on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March, at 7.30pm, at Cadogan Hall, Sloane Square. With Sophie Bevan (soprano), Roderick Williams (bass), Kingston Choral Society and the Thames Sinfonia. Tickets at <https://cadoganhall.com/whats-on/kingston-choral-society-brahms-requiem-and-poulenc-gloria/>

**Sonnets & Song** – A musical celebration of Shakespeare through the centuries. Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March, 7.45pm at St George's, Beckenham. Tickets £15 from [www.southlondonsingers.org.uk](http://www.southlondonsingers.org.uk).

**St George's Chamber Orchestra** – Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March, 5pm, at St George's Beckenham. Mozart Piano Quartet No. 1 in G minor and Schubert Piano Quintet in A 'The Trout'. Tickets from [www.stgeorgesarts.co.uk](http://www.stgeorgesarts.co.uk), the parish office or on the door.

**Play at Bromley Little Theatre - Welcare Fundraiser.** A special charity preview of 'Labour of Love' by James Graham on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April, 7.45pm, at Bromley Little Theatre, North Street, Bromley, BR1 1SD. Tickets £12 from Alison Dockray (020 8776 5584, [aliray1@hotmail.com](mailto:aliray1@hotmail.com)).

**St Christopher's Fun Walk** – Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May, Keston Common. Walks of 3, 5, 8 or 11 miles, to raise funds for St Christopher's Hospice. For more details see flyer on noticeboard in south aisle, go to [www.stchristophers.org.uk/funwalk](http://www.stchristophers.org.uk/funwalk) or ring 020 8768 4575.

**Trek in support of Alzheimer's Society** – Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May in London. For more information, visit [www.alzheimers.org.uk/trek26](http://www.alzheimers.org.uk/trek26).

**St Christopher's 'Palace to Palace' Bike Ride** (London to Versailles) – September 2025. For more information, go to [www.stchristophers.org.uk/palacetopalace](http://www.stchristophers.org.uk/palacetopalace).

**Foodbanks** - Tubs for foodbank donations, which are shared between Living Well and CAP can be found in the porch, by the main church entrance. The following items are particularly needed: rice, pasta sauces, coffee, tins of: spaghetti, cold meat, curry, stew, fruit, potatoes. Please ensure tins have ring pulls, as many people do not have a tin opener. Please leave donations in a strong carrier bag. *Please also double-check items are in date and do not contain any alcohol.*

## Beckenham Repair Café

At Kingsway Church, 18 Rectory Road, BR3 1JA. Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March, 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 26<sup>th</sup> July.

A new community-driven initiative, bringing together 14 skilled fixers and volunteers specialising in everything from small electrical repairs and woodworking to tailoring. The passionate team is dedicated to reducing waste and promoting a culture of reuse by giving items a second life.

## A Prayer for Lent (Tearfund)

Lord Jesus, deepen our desire for you this Lent; tune our ears to the notes of your grace;  
open our eyes to the light of your love; lead us on the path of peace;  
and take us into the heart of your resurrection. In your holy name, Amen.

## Mission of the Month (March and April) - SAT-7



SAT-7 is watched by millions of people in 25 countries across the Middle East and North Africa (MENA). SAT-7 is free to view, so they need the support of individuals and churches around the world, to create new content and keep broadcasting.

Using satellite television, they are able to bypass barriers of censorship and illiteracy. Through digital media, SAT-7 content is available to people on demand at any time and on any device. In 2023 there were 27 million YouTube views and 2.5 million people 'liked' their Facebook pages.

Viewer support teams help people with questions, counselling and prayer requests. Please pray for these one-to-one conversations, which can be in Arabic, Persian or Turkish, and for the viewer support teams to be able to maintain their work.

There are prayer and information books on the table below the display at the back of church.

### *Please pray...*

- for all of us during Lent, that we will make space for God and deepen our faith.
- for the Super Soup lunch on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March.
- for the CTiB Lent courses at St John's Eden Park.
- for the Knit & Natter, Craft & Chatter group meeting on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March.
- for continuing recovery for Rev'd Rachel and for all those leading and preaching at services at St Paul's.
- for peace in all areas where there is violence, war and terrorism, in particular for the proposed ceasefire in Ukraine.
- for CAP and Living Well, and for all those who use the foodbanks.
- for wisdom and help for parents and carers of children and teenagers.
- for strength and patience for all those in a caring role.
- for all those who are unwell, in physical pain or mental distress.
- for all who are grieving the loss of a loved one.



On our Electoral Roll we pray for Alison Dockray, John and Liz Dore, Cherry Duffield, and for our parishioners in Grangewood Lane.

### *Get in touch...*

**Administrator** - Stephanie Fox: 020 8650 0501, [admin@stpaulsbeckenham.org.uk](mailto:admin@stpaulsbeckenham.org.uk)

Office hours: Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9.15am – 2.15pm

**Vicar** - Rev'd Rachel Winn: [vicar@stpaulsbeckenham.org.uk](mailto:vicar@stpaulsbeckenham.org.uk)

**Churchwardens** - Anne Harkness: 07768 992559; Anthea Prendergast: 07811 530230

**Parish Safeguarding Officer** - Sandra Horner: 07701 069638; [sandrahorners53@gmail.com](mailto:sandrahorners53@gmail.com).

**Communion at Home** – If you are unable to come to a Communion service but would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please get in touch with Anne Howick (020 8658 0808)

## *Verse for the Year 2025*

'Christ makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.'  
Ephesians 4: 16 (New Living Translation)