

ST PAUL'S BECKENHAM



LOVE the Lord your God
with all your heart,
with all your soul,
with all your mind.
Matthew 22:37

E-Notice Sheet

Sunday 3rd November 2024

8.00am	Morning Prayer (BCP) - With Rev'd Rachel Winn
10.30am	<p>Holy Communion With Rev'd Rachel Winn and Keith Howick</p> <p>Readings: Deuteronomy 6: 1-9 read by Liz Spencer Mark 12: 28-34 read by Marian Sewell</p> <p>Prayers: Led by Rufus Ballaster</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 they 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 after the 10.30am service.</i></p>
3.00pm	<p>Memorial Service - With Sarah Butler and Rev'd Rachel Winn</p> <p>Readings: Isaiah 61: 1-3 and 1 Peter 1: 3-9</p>
<i>The 10.30am service will be live-streamed and available via St Paul's You Tube Channel</i>	

Collect (Special Prayer) for the 4th Sunday before Advent

God of glory, touch our lips with the fire of your Spirit, that we with all creation may rejoice to sing your praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

What's On this Week

Sat 2nd Nov	10.00am	Gardening Team
Wed 6th Nov	9.00am	Morning Prayer – in the Chapel. All welcome
Thurs 7th Nov	9.00am	Morning Prayer – in the Chapel. All welcome.
	10.00am	Babies & Toddler Group
	2.30pm	Friendship Group – Remembrance, with Kim and John Curle. All welcome.
	6.30pm	Knit and Natter, Crotchet and Chatter (in the hall)
	7.30pm	Prayer for our Parish, Community and Nation (Zoom)
Fri 8th Nov	9.00am	Morning Prayer – in the Chapel. All welcome
	12.00pm	Super Soup Lunch
Sun 10th Nov <i>3rd Sunday before Advent</i>	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) – With Rev'd Rachel Winn
	10.30am	<p>Morning Worship on Remembrance Sunday Including Act of Remembrance With Rev'd Rachel Winn and Rev'd Clive Grinham</p> <p>Readings: 1 Corinthians 15: 50-58 and Romans 8: 31-39</p>
	12.30pm	Connect Outreach Programme Meeting (Bring Picnic Lunch)
Mon 11th Nov	10.45am	Remembrance Day Service – In church garden, with 2-minute silence



St Paul's Notices

Gardening Team – Saturday 2nd November, 10am. Our beautiful gardens are a much-loved and well-used community resource. Come and enjoy helping us keep them in the best possible shape for the benefit of all those who live around us. No tools or experience required! All welcome.

Remembering our Loved Ones - On Sunday 3rd November, at 3pm, we are holding our annual Thanksgiving and Memorial Service. We shall be reading out the names of our loved ones who have died, with the opportunity for prayer and thanksgiving to God for those whom we love but see no longer. If you would like a name to be read out, there is a sheet at the back of church to write your loved one's name on or, just before the service, there will be blank cards to add any additional name(s). We are also inviting people to bring a flower with them which will be made into an arrangement the following day and a picture of the display will be put on the website. Any questions, please contact Anne Howick.

Knit and Natter Crochet and Chatter - Thursday 7th November, 6.30 – 8pm, in the hall. If you or anyone you know can crochet and/or knit, or would like to learn, come along and join like-minded people to have fun and socialise. Refreshments will be served. For this meeting we will be focusing on poppies for the Remembrance Day service. All are welcome!

Super Soup Lunches – We are pleased that our Super Soup lunches are back! The first lunch is on Friday 8th November, 12 noon, at the back of church. All are welcome.

Connect Outreach Programme Meeting (Bring Picnic Lunch) - Sunday 10th November, 12.30pm. 'Connect' is our programme of events and activities where we reach out to people in our local community - of all faiths and none. All those with a heart for reaching out to our community are invited to this meeting, where we will review our 2024 activities to consider what went well, how we can improve etc. We will then agree an outline programme for 2025 with our fresh ideas and identify the teams and leaders to make it all happen. Bring an indoor picnic lunch and we will 'talk as we eat'. Tea & Coffee provided.

Poppies for Remembrance Day – Poppies and a donation box are available at the back of church.

Remembrance Day Service – In addition to our Remembrance Sunday service on 10th November, we will be holding a short service on Remembrance Day, Monday 11th November, at 10.45am in the church garden. We are planning to have a cross with poppies on, and if you would like to knit or crotchet a poppy, patterns are available at the back of church. Please put your completed poppies in the basket at the back of church. Thank you very much.

Home Groups - Would you like to join a home group? This is an excellent way to get to know people and study the Bible together. We are hoping to start a new group if we have enough people who are interested, or it may be that you could join one of our existing groups. At the moment there is room to join one that meets on Tuesday afternoon. Most groups will be studying an Advent series. Please speak to Sarah Butler if you would like to know more.

Experience Christmas! We are planning to run our 'Experience Christmas' again, for Year 2 and Year 3 children from Worsley Bridge School and for the St Paul's Pre-school in the week beginning 2nd December. Would you like to join us in sharing the wonderful Christmas story? If so, you could help with setting up, with a craft activity, with telling the story, or have a Cameo part in the narrative. There is a sign-up volunteer sheet at the back of church, if you are able to help.

Link to Hope Shoeboxes – If you would like donate any items to go into a shoebox, there are boxes at the back of church until Sunday 10th November for toiletries, stationery, small toys, hats, gloves, scarves. Please see leaflets at the back of church. If you would prefer to give a financial donation to Link to Hope, that would also be much appreciated – please see Anthea.

Tea and Coffee - Many thanks to the Harris home group for serving tea and coffee on Sunday 3rd November. On 10th November, the Brackley home group will be on duty.

Happy Birthday

to everyone at St Paul's who has a birthday in November!



Community Events being held here at St Paul's

Concert with Musicians from the Eltham College Family of Schools – Thursday 21st November, 7pm, at St Paul's Church Beckenham. This is a free concert of classical music for young people from Eltham College Junior School and Blackheath Prep who are Grade 5 and above on their instruments. This event will give them an opportunity to perform to a wider audience. All are welcome to come along to the concert, which will last for about an hour and a half.

NSPCC Coffee Morning and Christmas Craft Sale – Saturday 30th November, 10am – 12.30pm, in St Paul's church hall. Come along for tea, coffee & cake and buy ahead for Christmas.

Crystal Palace Acappella and Crystal Palace Progress Band – Saturday 7th December, at 7.30pm, at St Paul's Church. An evening of musical entertainment with the 40-strong choir and brass band performing a mix of Christmas and other music. Entry is by donation, and refreshments will be served in the interval.

Other Community Notices

Autumn Fair – Saturday 2nd November, 10am – 2pm, at St James's Church, Elmers End, BR3 4HF. Fun for all the family - with bottle tombola, face painting, craft stall, bric-a-brac, games, raffle, children's tombola, homemade cakes, refreshments, and much more! Free entry.

Sleep Out or just join the Homeless Sleepout Meal – Saturday 2nd November, Bromley Parish Church, 7pm. If you are unable to sleep out, you can still join the sleep-out folk for a meal provided by the restaurant Tamasha. This is followed by an optional service at 9pm. For those more hardy, give up the luxury of your bed for one night and swap it for a sleeping bag outside. This is an opportunity to raise awareness of the causes and plight of the homeless. All funds raised will support those facing homelessness this winter. [2024 Sleep Out - Bromley Homeless](#)

Festival of Remembrance – Saturday 2nd November, 6pm at Rochester Cathedral, with Eynsford Concert Band. [Festival of Remembrance Tickets, Sat, Nov 2, 2024 at 6:00 PM | Eventbrite](#)

Overseas Link Celebration Service – Saturday 2nd November, 6.30pm at St Stephen's Church in Tonbridge, TN9 2SW, to celebrate the Diocese's link with dioceses in Zimbabwe, Tanzania and Estonia. All are welcome to attend this celebration service which will be attended by Bishop Jonathan, as well as two Bishops from Tanzania. Light refreshments will be served afterwards.

South London Singers Concert - Saturday 2nd November, 7.45pm, at Beckenham Methodist Church. Programme includes Durufle *Requiem*, Dyson, *Magnificat* and *Nunc Dimittis in F*.

Rochester Cathedral Jazz & Blues Festival 12th–16th November. www.rochestercathedral.org/jazz.

St George's Chamber Orchestra – Sunday 17th November, 5pm. 20th birthday concert, to include Mozart, Elgar, Bach and Telemann. See poster in the south aisle and flyers at the back of church.

CAP Money Coaching Course – Saturday 23rd November, 9.30am – 3.30pm, at St John's Church Penge, SE20 7EQ. This is to help people manage their finances and is suitable whether you have a lot of money or only a little. Please see poster and flyers, or go to: <https://capuk.org/get-help/results?find=money-course&postcode=BR3+1TP>.

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: pasta sauces, tinned meat, tinned fruit, tea and coffee, treats, toiletries. 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.*

Welcare in Bromley - Mission of the Month (Nov & Dec)

welcare
strengthening families since 1894

Welcare is a local charity, initiated and supported by Anglican churches in Bromley borough. It works with families with children up to 13 years of age, and has branches in South London and East Surrey. It follows Christian values, and strives to empower families, offering practical and emotional support to overcome challenges. This is delivered on an individual basis, but there are also group work programmes available, both online and in person.

Welcare's experienced social workers run a Caring Dads group for fathers who wish to improve their relationship with their children, and the Welcare 'My Space' group works with children and parents who have suffered domestic abuse. They also run groups for local schools who want support for pupils with low self-esteem, and they work with other local agencies to offer the best support tailored to each family. Visit www.welcare.org.uk for more information, and see the display at the back of church. Please pray for Welcare staff and all the families they work with, that their lives will be improved by the help they receive.

Please pray...

- for the Memorial Service on Sunday 3rd November and for all those who attend.
- for children, young people and teachers as they return to school this week.
- for the new Knit & Natter, Crochet & Chatter group starting on Thursday.
- for the Super Soup lunch on Friday.
- for the Remembrance Sunday service and the outdoor service on Remembrance Day.
- for those affected by the flash floods in Spain.
- for those affected by the fire in Cumbria.
- for the presidential election in the US on Tuesday.
- for wisdom and grace for world leaders, and for God to raise up more righteous leaders who will discern His ways of wisdom in all spheres of life.
- for those most affected by the new budget.
- for the forthcoming Conservative leadership election.
- for all who are grieving the loss of a loved one, particularly praying for the family and friends of Margaret Doubleday.



On our Electoral Roll we pray for Ian and Sue Rodgers, Gilbert Safarian, Barbara Saunders, and for our parishioners in Abbey Park.

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Communion at Home - If you are unable to make our Communion services but would like to receive Communion at home, please get in touch with Rev'd Rachel or Anne Howick (020 8658 0808).