# ST PAUL'S BECKENHAM





# E-Notice Sheet Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) - With Rev. Nick Lang		
10.30am	All-Age Service With Jash Masih and Rev. Clive Grinham		
	Reading: Acts 2: 1-21 read by Ishmael Gowero Prayers: Led by Sarah Butler		
	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.		
12.00 noon	Christian Aid Soup Lunch Everyone welcome!		
The 10.30am s	ervice will be live-streamed and available via <u>St Paul's You Tube Channel</u>		

# Collect (Special Prayer) for Pentecost

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



What's On this Week			
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> May	12.30pm	Thanksgiving Service for David Gillman, followed by refreshments	
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	10.00am	Babies & Toddler Group	
	2.30pm	Friendship Group – Music with Marion Blakely. All welcome	
	7.30pm	Prayer for our Parish, Community and Nation (Zoom)	
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30am	Connect Café	
Sun 26 <sup>th</sup> May	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) – With Paul Wright, Archdeacon Emeritus	
Trinity Sunday	10.30am	Morning Worship with Baptism	
		With David Charlesworth, Rev. Nick Lang and Rev. Clive Grinham	
		Readings: Isaiah 61: 1-8 and John 3: 1-17	

#### St Paul's Notices

Christian Aid Soup Lunch – Sunday  $19^{th}$  May, 12pm - 2pm. Everyone is welcome to join us for a soup lunch after the 10.30am service. The idea is to donate to Christian Aid what we would spend on our Sunday lunch.

**Service of Thanksgiving for David Gillman** – Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May, 12.30pm at St Paul's. Refreshments will be served after the service. All welcome. With regards to dress code, the family is happy for people to wear whatever they are comfortable in; no need to wear black.

Saturday Connect Café - Saturday  $25^{th}$  May, 9.30am - 11.30am. Bring your friends and neighbours (and yourself!) to our Connect Café. As well as the children's toys being out, we now have a Book Exchange and a Green Corner. As ever, there will be good coffee and chat, with bacon butties ready for the hungry. All free, but donations welcome. Our community litter-picking team will be out from 9.30am.

APCM Meetings - At the Annual Parochial Church Meetings on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May, Anne Harkness and Anthea Prendergast were elected as churchwardens for the coming year. Maria Adu, Wesley Guy, Clari Harrington, Ian Johnson, Paul Lashmar and Roger Wells were elected on to the PCC to serve for three years. Sandra Horner was elected to serve as one of our representatives on Deanery Synod. Apologies that no hard copies of the APCM papers were available at the meeting; there will be a few copies at the back of church on Sunday.

**WWF Film 'Our Planet: Too big to fail'** – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2pm, in the church hall. The film will be screened at 2.15pm and will be followed by a talk from Bromley Friends of the Earth at 3pm and refreshments at 3.20pm. Donations of green wool/fabric or ready-made green hearts for bunting still appreciated. Contact Liz S and Sandi for more details.

**Prayer for the Interregnum and our new Vicar** – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June, 9.30am – 12.30pm. Following on from our previous prayer mornings, we would love it if you could join us to cover the next stage in prayer, as we give thanks for the interregnum and look forward to welcoming Rev. Rachel Winn and the installation service on 11<sup>th</sup> July.

Street Party on the Lawn – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July. Please save the date! More details to follow...

CTiB Website — Is there anyone who would be willing to take over the organising of the CTiB (Churches Together in Beckenham) website from Steve King of Avenue Road Baptist Church? It would involve receiving notices from churches and putting them on the website, so that people can see what is happening in different churches in the area. It's not a very onerous job but very worthwhile. No meetings are involved. If you could help, please contact Ann B or Anthea for more details.

**Tea and Coffee** - Many thanks to the Harris home group for serving tea and coffee on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May. On 26<sup>th</sup> May, the Brackley Road home group will be on duty.

## Verse for the Year

'Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.' 1 Peter 5: 6-7

### **Community Notices**

**Thank you** - Beckenham District NSPCC would like to thank everyone who generously gave up their time to support them on Saturday  $11^{th}$  May. The weather was beautiful, and the Coffee and Plant morning was a great success and most enjoyable, so a huge thank you. The funds raised will go directly to the NSPCC and Childline to support the valuable work the charity does.

Christian Aid Big Brekkie – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May, 9am – 12 noon, at Beckenham Baptist Church. Drop in for a tasty breakfast/brunch. All proceeds to Christian Aid.

**Coffee Morning in aid of Welcare** – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May, 11am – 4pm, at 8 Fosters Close, Chislehurst, Kent, BR7 6NG. There will be cakes and a plant sale, and a raffle will be held. Parking in the surrounding roads is free on Saturdays, the 314 bus from Bromley stops nearby, and the nearest station is Elmstead Woods.

Christian Aid Quiz – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May, 6.30pm for a 7pm start, at St James's Church, BR3 4HF. Tables of maximum 8. Contact John Rowe on 020 8650 0610 or Julian Gibson on 07985 567146 to book. Please bring your own refreshments. All proceeds to Christian Aid.

**Inflatables Fun Day** – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May, at Coney Hall Recreation Ground, BR4 9JJ. For more information go to <a href="https://www.jumpingjacksbouncycastles.co.uk">www.jumpingjacksbouncycastles.co.uk</a>.

Alzheimer's Society Forget Me Not Appeal — During the month of May, the Alzheimer's Society encourages people to donate £15 to help bring support, understanding and hope to people living with dementia. If you would like to donate and receive a forget-me-not badge, go to <a href="https://www.alzheimers.org.uk/fmna">www.alzheimers.org.uk/fmna</a> or call 0300 222 5770.

Claire and Ell's Fundraiser for Sands — Claire and her baby Ell are raising funds for the charity 'Sands', by walking 50k during the month of May. Sands provides support for parents who have experienced the loss of a baby, whether during pregnancy, birth or after. If you would like to support them, please see the following website: Claire Williams is fundraising for Sands, the stillbirth and neonatal death charity (justgiving.com).

**Floral Demonstration** – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 7.30pm at St George's Church Beckenham. This inspiring, enjoyable and creative evening is organised by the Bromley Guild of Church Flower Arrangers. Patricia Ellis, the guest demonstrator, is well-known across the Southeast and is flower coordinator for Southwark Cathedral. She will talk about her experiences and make several different floral arrangements. Everyone welcome. £5 entry, to include refreshments.

**David Sewell's Marathon Walk for Prostate Cancer UK** - David is walking another marathon, his fifth, for Prostate Cancer UK on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July, walking the Thames Path from Hampton Court to Tower Bridge. If you would like to support him, there is a <u>JustGiving page</u>, or if you would like to sponsor directly, there is a sponsorship form at the back of church.

**Volunteer Opportunities with Living Well** – Living Well are recruiting for three advocacy roles – an advocacy volunteer housing solicitor, an advocacy volunteer with medical knowledge and an advocacy volunteer with legal background. More information is on the Living Well website: <a href="https://www.livingwell.life/p/jobs">https://www.livingwell.life/p/jobs</a>

Community Café Manager at Beckenham Methodist Church – This is an exciting new role for someone passionate about working in a community café. More details on noticeboard in south aisle, or email <a href="mailto:jkmanagerapp@outlook.com">jkmanagerapp@outlook.com</a> for more information and an application pack.

**Foodbanks** – Tubs for foodbank donations can be found in the main porch. The following items are particularly needed at the moment: Tins of fish, meat, stew, curry, custard, rice pudding, toiletries. Please double-check items are in date and do not contain any alcohol. Please leave donations in a strong carrier bag.



## Mission of the Month (May & June) – SAT-7

SAT-7 broadcasts across 25 countries of the Middle East and North Africa (MENA). Eighteen of these nations appear in the 2023 World Watch List of the most difficult places for Christians to live.



SAT-7 employs 260 staff and works with over 450 freelancers from

15 nationalities. They have studios in Cyprus, Lebanon, Egypt, Turkey and the UK, with support offices in the UK, USA, Canada, Europe, Asia, Brazil and Hong Kong. A small studio in North London is home to SAT-7's second Persian language studio. Live programmes are aired here, presented by respected leaders of Iranian churches in the UK.

The Lebanese capital, Beirut, is home to SAT-7's largest studio. Here Christians can take advantage of the country's relative freedoms to share their faith publicly. SAT-7 produces programmes for adults and children on SAT-7 ARABIC and SAT-7 KIDS, including the SAT-7 ACADEMY education stream. Please pray for the expanding success of broadcasting facilities.

#### Please pray...

- 'Come Holy Spirit' this Pentecost, and thank God that He empowers us through His Spirit.
- for the five people we have been praying for in the 'Thy Kingdom Come' Prayer Novena, that they may hear God's call and respond to his love.
- for couples preparing to get married at St Paul's this year.
- for those leading and preaching at services during the interregnum.
- for Christians in positions of leadership.
- for places whose leaders are self-serving and oppressive.
- for countries where there is conflict, unrest, poverty and corruption.
- for Ukraine, as the Russians advanced in the Kharkiv region and seized parts of the town of Vovchansk.
- for the St Paul's Pre-School, Worsley Bridge School and for all our local schools.
- for CAP and Living Well for the helpers, and for all those who need their services.
- for all those struggling with addiction of any kind.
- for all those in pain or struggling with health issues.
- for all in hospital, those recovering from an operation or having treatment.
- for all who are grieving the loss of a loved one, thinking particularly of the Gillman family.

On our Electoral Roll we pray for Peter and Vicky Brampton, Helen Bretherick, Lesley Brittain, and for our parishioners in Kings Hall Road.

#### Get in touch...

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Churchwardens: Anne Harkness 07768 992559; Anthea Prendergast 07811 530230 Parish Safeguarding Officer – Sandra Horner: 07701 069638; sandrahorner53@gmail.com.

**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 Anne Howick (020 8658 0808).