

# ST PAUL'S BECKENHAM



## E-Notice Sheet

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2026

<b>8.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion (BCP) – With Rev'd Rachel Winn</b>
<b>10.30am</b>	<p><b>Morning Worship</b>                  Theme: 'Reflecting Christ'                  Readings: Isaiah 61: 1-3 read by Victor Power                  2 Corinthians 3:17 – 4:7 read by Sue Rodgers                  Prayers: Led by Sandra Horner                  With Wesley Guy and Sarah Butler</p> <p><i>Children's Activities – Sunday Squad in the hall 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> .	

### ***Collect (Special Prayer) for 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent***

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world:  
 lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace  
 through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### ***What's On this Week***

Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> March	10.30am	Safeguarding Foundation Course – in Chapel
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am	Morning Prayer – in the Chapel
	9.35am	Distribution of Easter Connect leaflets in the Parish
	7.30pm	Prayers for our Parish, Community and Nation (on Zoom)
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am	Morning Prayer - in the Chapel
	10.00am	Babies and Toddlers
	2.30pm	Friendship Group – 'Someone to talk to: What children share when someone is ready to listen', with Sarah Mills. All welcome
	8.00pm	Community Choir – in the church
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am	Morning Prayer - in the Chapel
	6.00pm	Safeguarding Domestic Abuse Course – in the hall
Sat 28 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am	Connect Café
<b>Sun 29<sup>th</sup> March</b> <i>Palm Sunday</i>	8.00am	<b>Holy Communion (BCP) – With Rev'd Neil Fairlamb</b>
	10.30am	<b>Morning Worship</b> Readings: Isaiah 50: 4-9a and Matthew 21: 1-11 With Rev'd Rachel Winn and Rev'd Clive Grinham
	3.30pm	<b>Stainer's Crucifixion</b> – with St Paul's Community Choir

## *St Paul's Notices*

**Many thanks** to all those who helped to make posies for Mothering Sunday.

**Experience Easter Joy!** A huge thank you to all the brave actors and volunteers who took part in the Experience Easter event which was a joy to be involved in. Over 100 children, with their adults, from Worsley Bridge School and St Paul's Pre-School engaged with the interactive Easter story. They really seemed to grasp the good news of Jesus' resurrection, and we pray that some will come to the church during the Easter period. If you were involved with the preparation or delivery of the Experience, please collect your 'thank you' from the office.

**Easter Foodbank Collection** – We will be having a special collection on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March, in support of Living Well and CAP (Christians Against Poverty) Penge. Please bring your donations in strong carrier bags and put them on the tables in the north aisle.

**Easter 'Connect' Leaflets** - The leaflets are ready for delivery to the parish. With 2000 to distribute, would you be able to take a delivery pack from the table at the back of church? Some packs are allocated by name but many are not, and we could really do with as many people helping as possible. There will be a 'mass delivery' session after Morning Prayer on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March for any packs that remain. We want to get them out by Palm Sunday as part of our quest to share the wonderful message of Easter with our community.

**Church Office** - Please note that the office will be closed on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March. It will be open again on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March. Any urgent queries please contact Anne Howick on 07889 263261.

**Safeguarding Course** - We are running the Safeguarding Domestic Abuse course on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March, 6pm – 8pm. This is for the Pastoral Care Team but is open for anyone, especially if your certificate is due for renewal. If you would like to attend, please contact Sandra Horner (safeguarding@stpaulsbeckenham.org.uk) or Rev'd Rachel (vicar@stpaulsbeckenham.org.uk).

**Connect Café** – Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March, 9.30am – 11.30am. With children's play table, book exchange and Green Corner. Bring your friends and neighbours (and yourself!). 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.

**Stainer's Crucifixion** – Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March, 3.30pm. St Paul's Community Choir and soloists will be performing this meditation on the biblical narrative of Holy Week. This is a free event with a retiring collection towards church funds. All welcome.

**Maundy Thursday Supper** - On Maundy Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April, at 6.30pm we shall be having supper in the hall, followed by Holy Communion. If you would like to attend, or are able to help with food provision, there are [sign-up sheets at the back of church](#).

**Tea and Coffee** - Many thanks to the Bradley home group for serving tea and coffee on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. On 29<sup>th</sup> March, the Howick home group will be on duty.



## *Carbon Fast for Lent – Week 6, Earth Hour*

This week we are challenged to fast from wasting Energy. In the UK, home energy accounts for one-fifth of our national carbon footprint - much of it is entirely avoidable. Every time we overcharge our phones, keep devices on standby overnight and leave lights on in empty rooms, we are consuming energy. **Earth Hour 2026 - Saturday, 28th March, 8.30pm – 9.30pm.** Give an hour for the Earth and join the global movement to switch off lights and devices.

More ideas on the Green Board in church, and sign up for weekly Carbon Fast emails: <https://climatestewards.org/resources/carbon-fast-for-lent/>

## *Easter at St Paul's*



### **Palm Sunday – 29<sup>th</sup> March**

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion Service (*traditional*)  
10.30am Morning Worship, with palm crosses  
3.30pm Stainer's Crucifixion, with the Community Choir

### **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March, Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March, Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April**

- 8.00pm Compline – Night Prayer (in the Chancel)

### **Maundy Thursday – 2<sup>nd</sup> April**

- 6.30pm Supper and Holy Communion

### **Good Friday – 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

- 11.00am Walk of Witness *from St Edmund's Church*  
11.30am CTiB Service on Beckenham Green *by St George's Church*  
2.00pm Reflection at the Cross *at St Paul's Church*

### **Easter Sunday – 5<sup>th</sup> April**

- 5.45am Dawn 'Fire' Service and Holy Communion  
6.30am Breakfast  
10.30am All-Age Celebration with Holy Communion

## *Community Notices*

**Beckenham Chorale** – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March, 7pm, at St George's Church Beckenham. Vivaldi, Pergolesi, Monteverdi and Palestrina.

**Concert in aid of Hope into Action Bromley** – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March, 7.30pm, at St Augustine's Church, Bromley. A concert featuring *Adiemus* by Sir Karl Jenkins. Conductor: Adrian Connell. Tickets on the door: £10 (under 16's free) – cash only. Please see poster on noticeboard in south aisle for more information.

**South London Singers** - Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March, at St John the Evangelist, Upper Norwood. Brahms '*A German Requiem*', with the South London Sinfonia.

**Budgeting for Students** – Free online money coaching with Christians Against Poverty on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> and Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April, 1pm - 3pm (attend both days). Learn to budget well during further education and embed a system that will work throughout all life's changes to help you stick to your budget and achieve your financial goals. The trained money coaches will explain how to build a first budget, balance the budget, stick to the budget and control spending. Please sign up using this [link](#). *NB this course is specifically designed for students; CAP run other courses that are more relevant for young people already working.*

**Variety Night** - Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April, 7pm, at Elmers End Free Church, in the Sanctuary at the Goddard Road end of the building. Admission £10 cash at the door; hot drinks available in the interval. All very welcome. Attractions will include resident Flamenco troupe, a modern jazz quartet, a conjuror and a virtuoso on the Bevington organ. You can park up to 3 hours in the Tesco car park opposite.

**Foodbanks** - Tubs for foodbank donations, which are shared between Living Well and CAP, can be found in the porch, by the main church entrance. *Please do not leave perishable food in the box, and please check items do not contain any alcohol and are not past their expiry date. Please also ensure tins have **ring pulls**, as many people do not have a tin opener. It is very helpful if you can leave your donations in a **strong bag**.*

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



The Middle East and North Africa (MENA) has a long tradition of oral storytelling. As a media ministry creating content for a range of platforms, SAT-7 utilises storytelling in a variety of creative ways: from the sharing of personal testimonies, to animated children's productions that bring Bible stories to life, to high-quality films and dramas that promote Christian values. Over the last year in particular, SAT-7 has seen how powerful storytelling is opening up opportunities for reaching much wider audiences, as SAT-7 productions have been taken up by other media networks.

Please pray for those watching SAT-7's content, whether on their own channels or on other networks, that their hearts will be open to the message and that they will be stirred to respond. There are prayer and information books on the table below the display at the back of church.

### *Please pray...*



- give thanks for Experience Easter this week, for all the children and adults who visited the church and heard the wonderful story of Easter. Please pray that many are inspired to come to church to hear more of the good news.
- for the preparation of services for Holy Week and Easter.
- for all areas of the world where there is war or conflict, praying particularly at this time for the situation in the Middle East.
- for all the families affected by the outbreak of meningitis and that people will be able to have vaccinations.
- for those persecuted for their faith around the world.
- for CAP and Living Well, and for all who come to them for support and financial guidance.
- for prisoners and prison staff.
- for those in hospital, receiving treatment, recovering from operations.
- for those who have recently had a fall and are in need of extra support at this time.
- for all those who are struggling with physical, emotional or mental health illness.
- for all who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

On our Electoral Roll we pray for Ian and Sue Rodgers, Gilbert Safarian, Barbara Saunders, and for our parishioners in Hanley Place (Park Road).

### *Get in touch...*

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

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**Vicar** - Rev'd Rachel Winn: 07566 274388, [vicar@stpaulsbeckenham.org.uk](mailto:vicar@stpaulsbeckenham.org.uk)

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**Parish Safeguarding Officer** - Sandra Horner: 07701 069638; [safeguarding@stpaulsbeckenham.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@stpaulsbeckenham.org.uk)

**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).

## *Verse for the Year 2026*

'Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.' *Proverbs 3: 5-6*