

E-Notice Sheet



ST PAUL'S BECKENHAM

Sunday 11th May 2025

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP) - With Rev'd Neil Fairlamb
10.30am	<p>Morning Worship</p> <p>Theme: Marked by the Seal of God</p> <p>Readings: Revelation 7: 9-17 read by Ingrid Glenister Acts 9: 36-43 read by Thomas Adu</p> <p>Prayers: Led by Sandra Horner</p> <p>With Rev'd Rachel Winn leading and David Charlesworth preaching</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>
12 noon	<p>Annual Parochial Church Meetings - In the hall</p> <p><i>There will be a creche in the church for young children up to age 10.</i></p>
<p>The 10.30am service will be live-streamed and available via St Paul's You Tube Channel</p>	

Special Prayer (Collect) for the 4th Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command,
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,
to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

<i>What's On this Week</i>		
Wed 14 th May	9.00am 7.00pm	Morning Prayer (in the Chapel) Wedding rehearsal
Thurs 15 th May	9.00am 10.00am 2.30pm 6.30pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayer (in the Chapel) Babies & Toddler Group Friendship Group: Sarah Gray talking about Living Well Knit & Natter, Craft & Chatter Prayer for our Parish, Community and Nation (on Zoom)
Fri 16 th May	9.00am	Morning Prayer (in the Chapel)
Sat 17 th May	12.00pm	Wedding of Emma Winn and Ed Evans
Sun 18th May <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>	8.00am 10.30am	Holy Communion (BCP) – With Rev'd Neil Fairlamb Holy Communion Readings: Acts 11: 1-18 and John 13: 31-35 With Rev'd Clive Grinham and Keith Howick

St Paul's Notices

Annual Parochial Church Meetings - At 12 noon on Sunday 11th May in the church hall we will be appointing the two churchwardens for the next year. At 12.15pm the APCM will begin, when we will be reviewing the life of St Paul's during 2024 and receiving reports from various areas of church life. As a member of the PCC, Anne Howick is required to stand down this year, leaving one vacancy; Anne is eligible to be re-elected. Nomination forms are available in the rack in the north aisle and need to be received by the PCC Secretary no later than Friday 9th May; nominations cannot be made at the APCM. The agenda and other related documents are available on the church website: <https://www.stpaulsbeckenham.org.uk/apcm>, and a few hard copies of the reports will be available at the meeting. Alison Charlesworth and helpers have very kindly offered to run a creche in the church for young children up to age 10.

Keith Howick is being Licensed as a Lay Minister on 10th May in Rochester Cathedral. All are welcome at the licensing service, which starts at 2.30pm (first come, first served for seats!). Keith would welcome your support and prayers.

Trip to Ely on 20th May – There is now a spare place on the coach trip to Ely Cathedral, as Alison Charlesworth is unable to go. This is to see the exhibition 'Threads through the Bible', and the cost is £40. Please contact Alison if you are interested (07592 007917).

Race for Life – On 26th July at Beckenham Place Park, in support of Cancer Research UK. Anthea and Ann B are taking part again this year, and if you would like to support them, please speak to one of them or click on the following link to their 'Monday Movers' giving page: [Monday Movers](#)

Marathon Walk for Prostate Cancer UK - David Sewell will be doing The Summer Walk starting and finishing in Woolwich, on Saturday 23rd August. This is just over 100 days away! If you would like to support him, you can go to <http://www.justgiving.com/page/david-sewell-summerwalk-2025> or give him a cheque payable to Prostate Cancer UK.

Tea and Coffee – Many thanks to the Blakely home group for serving tea and coffee on Sunday 11th May. On 18th May the Brackley home group will be on duty.

Christian Aid Week – 11th – 17th May

This year the focus is on climate change and poverty in Guatemala. If you would like to make a donation, there are a couple of small collection boxes at the back of church, or you can click on the following link: [Christian Aid Week 2025 - Donate](#). All gifts will help farming communities tackle the climate crisis and escape hunger.

Community Notices

Christian Aid Coffee Morning, Saturday 10th May, 10.30am – 12.30pm, at Beckenham Methodist Church, BR3 5JE. Books, plants, gifts, fun quiz. Everyone welcome.

Spring Fair – Saturday 10th May, 11am – 2pm, at Avenue Baptist Church, Avenue Road, BR3 4SA. Stalls will include toys, cakes, crafts, preloved items, re-gifts, books, puzzles. Refreshments from 11am, BBQ from 12 noon.

Christian Aid Quiz – Saturday 10th May, 6.30pm for 7pm, at St James's Church Hall, Elmers End. Tickets £8; up to 8 people per team; please bring your own drinks and nibbles. To book, contact John Rowe 07985 567147 or John Rowe 07733 466864.

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St Christopher's Fun Walk – Sunday 11th 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 or ring 020 8768 4575.

Baroque Concert – Sunday 11th May, 5pm. St George's Chamber Orchestra – Vivaldi, Bach, Handel and Telemann.

Big Brekkie – for Christian Aid. Saturday 17th May, 9am – 12.30pm, at Beckenham Baptist Church hall. All welcome. Donations by cash or card.

Trek in support of Alzheimer's Society – Saturday 17th May in London. For more information, visit www.alzheimers.org.uk/trek26.

Lecture by Rev'd Dr Sam Wells: Improvising the Realm of God. Tuesday 20th May, 7pm – 8.30pm, at St Andrew's Church, Waterloo. Doors open 6pm. A Radius Drama event; tickets £12 (includes drinks reception, lecture and Q&A) from <https://radiuslecture2025.eventbrite.co.uk/>.

Londinium Concert - Friday 23rd May, 7.30pm, at Holy Sepulchre London, the national Musicians' Church (opposite City Thameslink station), in a programme called 'Unto the Hills' on the theme of mountains, including music by Schumann, Monteverdi, Ireland, Delius and Gabriel Jackson, conducted by Andrew Griffiths. Tickets from <https://www.londinium-voices.org.uk/>

Weekend Cleaner Wanted – St John's Church, Eden Park, Beckenham. Hours: Saturdays and Sundays – flexible timings to check and clean after weekend hall bookings. Additional hours: Occasional support for the regular cleaner on weekdays and holiday cover, as needed. May include some night work. This role would suit someone local who takes pride in keeping spaces clean and welcoming. Please get in touch with the church office for more details: 020 8650 3515, office@stjohnsbeckenham.org.

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.*

Mission of the Month (May and June) - OMF Thailand

Our mission of the month is OMF Thailand. Julia Birkett spent 24 years in Thailand and 14 years in Lopburi. She has now left Thailand and returned to the United Kingdom. In her ministry Julia worked as a language adviser, and taught Thai language and culture to new workers in the field. Julia was also the training and development co-ordinator for the Thai field. We pray that the work she has handed over may thrive and that Thai people may come to know Jesus as Lord. Pray for all training and development in all the OMF centres, and pray for Julia as she transitions to what God has for her in the future.



A Prayer for OMF - Father of all, thank you for the work of OMF as they bring the good news of Jesus to the people of East Asia. Bless and guide all who are called to this work. Give skill to them as they learn new languages and understand different cultures so that they can relate to the people they meet. May many be drawn to new faith in Jesus Christ. For your glory's sake. Amen.

Please pray...

- for Keith Howick being licensed as a Lay Minister on 10th May in Rochester Cathedral.
- for our APCM on Sunday 11th May.
- for all the couples getting married at St Paul's this year.
- for all those preparing for baptism at St Paul's.
- for newly-elected Pope Leo XIV.
- for young people taking exams this summer.
- for all the areas of the world where there is violence, war or conflict.
- for those who struggle to afford food for themselves and their families.
- for CAP and Living Well, and for all who come to them for help and support.
- for all those struggling with health problems or increasing frailty.
- for all in hospital, respite or care homes, having treatment or awaiting appointments.
- for the Dalwood family, with Suzy in hospital after a bad fall.
- for all who are grieving the loss of a loved one.



On our Electoral Roll we pray for Keith and Anne Howick, Pam Hudson, Doreen James, and for our parishioners in Ingleside Close (Park Road).

Get in touch...

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Parish Safeguarding Officer - Sandra Horner: 07701 069638; sandrahorne53@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)