

# E-Notice Sheet



## ST PAUL'S BECKENHAM



Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2025

8.00am	<b>Holy Communion (BCP) - With Rev'd Rachel Winn</b>
10.30am	<b>Holy Communion</b> Readings: Zephaniah 3: 14-20 read by Liz Dore John 21: 1-19 read by Sue Rodgers Prayers: Led by Rufus Ballaster With David Charlesworth leading, Sarah Butler preaching and Rev'd Rachel Winn presiding <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> <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>
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 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter*

Risen Christ,  
you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:  
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace,  
to the glory of God the Father. Amen

<b><i>What's On this Week</i></b>		
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	10.00am	Gardening Team
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am	Morning Prayer (in the Chapel)
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am 10.00am 2.30pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayer (in the Chapel) Babies & Toddler Group Friendship Group: "Some of the right notes - a pianist's life"- John Blakely. All welcome Prayer for our Parish, Community and Nation (on Zoom)
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am	Morning Prayer (in the Chapel)
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> May 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	8.00am 10.30am  12 and 12.15pm	<b>Holy Communion (BCP) – With Rev'd Neil Fairlamb</b> <b>Morning Worship</b> Readings: Revelation 7: 9-17 and Acts 9: 36-43 With Rev'd Rachel Winn and David Charlesworth <b>Annual Parochial Church Meetings</b>

### **VE Day**

We start our 10.30am service on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May by ringing the bells to signal that we join with many nations to remember and celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day, which officially happens on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May. The VE commemorations are a special time for heartfelt thanksgiving as we mark the end of the Second World War. The joy and relief is always felt alongside the feelings of great loss and suffering that the war inflicted; rebuilding lives and communities and nations takes far longer than destroying them. We thank God for all those who courageously helped to bring liberation and security to our nation. This week's Sunday service will reflect our gratitude at this deliverance.

On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May, at 6.30pm, we will also be joining with other churches across the country in ringing the church bells; this is an opportunity to reflect and give thanks for the peace that so many sacrificed their lives for during the Second World War.

### ***St Paul's Notices***

Many thanks to Alison Dockray for her donation for the **sanctuary flowers** in memory of Martin.

**Congratulations** to William Sewell and Kendal Harrison who were married at St Paul's on 30<sup>th</sup> April.

**Annual Parochial Church Meetings** - At 12 noon on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> 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. Notices of these meetings can be found on the noticeboard in the church porch and in the church hall. 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. Nominations forms are available in the rack in the north aisle and need to be received by the PCC Secretary no later than Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May; nominations cannot be made at the APCM. The agenda and other related documents will be available on the church website shortly. If you would like a hard copy of any of the reports, please speak to Anne Howick, PCC Secretary.

**Keith Howick is being Licensed as a Lay Minister** on 10<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Race for Life** – On 26<sup>th</sup> 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](#)

**Tea and Coffee** – Many thanks to the Harris group for serving tea and coffee on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May. On 11<sup>th</sup> May the Blakely home group will be on duty.

### ***A Prayer for VE Day***

O God of truth and justice, we hold before you those men and women who have died in active service, particularly in the Second World War, whose sacrifice brought Victory in Europe. As we honour their courage and cherish their memory, may we put our faith in your future; for you are the source of life and hope, now and for ever. Amen.

# Happy Birthday

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



## Community Notices

**Beckenham Repair Café** – Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 10am – 1pm, at Kingsway Church, 18 Rectory Road, BR3 1JA. Bring your broken items and get them repaired free of charge (or a small donation). Everything from small electrical repairs and woodworking to tailoring, puncture repair & ceramics.

**Christian Giftshop** – Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 10am – 3pm at Venue 28 (next to Beckenham Spa). A monthly indoor market selling clothes, bags, mugs, stationery, bookmarks etc.

**VE Day 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert** - Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30pm at Holy Trinity, Sloane Square, including music by Vaughan Williams, Bliss, Holst, Walton, with The London Chorus, New London Orchestra, Petroc Trelawny (orator). Tickets from <http://www.londonchorus.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](mailto:office@stjohnsbeckenham.org).

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

**Spring Fair** – Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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.

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

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

**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).

**Lecture by Rev'd Dr Sam Wells: Improvising the Realm of God.** Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> 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/>.

**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.



### ***Please pray...***

- for those taking part in VE Day celebrations and remembering all those who died during the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War.
- for safety on the roads and in the towns over the Bank Holiday weekend.
- for the cardinals responsible for selecting a successor to Pope Francis.
- for the family and friends of those affected by the shooting in Leeds.
- for all the areas of the world where there is violence, war or conflict.
- for all those getting married at St Paul's this year.
- for our APCM on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May.
- 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 Suzi in hospital after a bad fall.
- for all who are grieving the loss of a loved one.



On our Electoral Roll we pray for Chris Harris, Tarina Hill-Carroll, David Holmes, Sandra Horner, and for our parishioners in the top (station) end of Beckenham High Street.

### ***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: 07566 274388; [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; [sandrahorner53@gmail.com](mailto:sandrahorner53@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)