



# ST PAUL'S BECKENHAM

Sundays 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026

<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Pentecost</b>	
<b>8.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion (BCP) - With Rev'd Rachel Winn</b>
<b>10.30am</b>	<p><b>Morning Worship</b>            With Rev'd Rachel Winn and Keith Howick            Readings: John 7: 37-39 read by Thomas Adu                              Acts 2: 1-21 read by Elaine Storey            Prayers: Led by Sandra Horner</p> <p><i>Sunday Squad is not meeting this week. Children are very welcome in the service. There is a play space in the church and activity sheets for them. Sunday Squad will take place as usual next week on 31<sup>st</sup> May.</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>

<b>Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May – Trinity Sunday</b>	
<b>8.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion (BCP) – With Rev'd Rachel Winn</b>
<b>10.30am</b>	<p><b>Morning Worship</b>            With Jash Masih and Sarah Butler            Readings: Isaiah 40: 12-17 and 27-31 read by James Bramwell                              Matthew 28: 16-20 read by Maya McKeever            Prayers: Led by Marion Blakely</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</i></p>
<b>5.30pm</b>	<p><b>Evensong</b>            With Rev'd Rachel Winn, David Storey and the St Paul's Community Choir</p>

*The 10.30am services will be live-streamed and available via [St Paul's You Tube Channel](#)*

### **Special Prayers (Collects)**

**Pentecost** (24<sup>th</sup> May) - 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.

**Trinity Sunday** (31<sup>st</sup> May) - Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

<i>What's On</i>		
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	9.00am 7.30pm	Morning Prayer - in the Chapel Community Choir Rehearsal for Evensong – in the Hall
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	9.30am	Connect Café and Litter Picking
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am 7.00pm	Morning Prayer – in the Chapel Youth Explore
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am (10.00am) 2.30pm  6.30pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayer – in the Chapel (No Babies & Toddler Group) Friendship Group: A Brief Foray into the Life and Music of Benjamin Britten, with David Storey. Everybody welcome Knit & Natter, Craft & Chatter Prayer for our Parish, Community and Nation (on Zoom)
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am 7.30pm	Morning Prayer – in the Chapel Community Choir Rehearsal for Evensong – in the Hall
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30am	Purely Prayer – A time of prayer together. In the hall
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	9.00am 7.30pm	Morning Prayer – in the Chapel PCC Meeting
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> June	9.00am 10.00am 2.30pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayer – in the Chapel Babies & Toddler Group Friendship Group: Teaching Days, John Blakely. All welcome. Prayer for our Parish, Community and Nation (on Zoom)
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Jun	9.00am	Morning Prayer – in the Chapel
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> Jun	10.00am	Gardening Team
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Jun <i>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity</i>	8.00am 10.30am	<b>Holy Communion</b> (BCP) – With Rev'd Neil Fairlamb <b>Holy Communion</b> - With Sarah Butler and Rev'd Rachel Winn Readings: Romans 4: 13-25 and Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26

### *St Paul's Notices*

**Connect Café** – Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 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: all equipment provided, no experience needed, everyone welcome.

**Church Teams** – If you feel inspired to join a team, after last week's service, please see the table at the back of church for information and sign-up sheets.

**Thy Kingdom Come (TKC)** - We are coming towards the end of TKC (between Ascension Day and Pentecost), but the dedicated **Prayer Space** in the church will be set up for a few more days, where you are welcome to sit and pray for God's transformative power to change lives. There are also Novena devotional booklets still available.

**Church Office** – In the week beginning 25<sup>th</sup> May, the office will be open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; it will be closed on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May. In the week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> June, it will be open as normal on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

**Closure in Copers Cope Road** - Please note that work is due to start on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May for approx. 8 weeks, when Copers Cope Road will be closed from the junction of Brackley Road to Worsley Bridge Road. Access will be maintained for residents.

**Youth Explore** – Our next Youth Explore session will be on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May, at 7pm in the Chapel. Our young people meet together to dig deeper into the Christian faith.

**Purely Prayer** – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May, 9.30 – 10.30am. All welcome to this time of prayer in the hall.

### *St Paul's Notices Contd...*

**Community Choir Rehearsals for Evensong** – We will be holding an Evensong service here at St Paul's Church on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May, at 5.30pm, with the St Paul's Community Choir. Remaining choir rehearsals are on Fridays 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> May, at 7.30pm in the hall. All are welcome. David Storey (07989 251287).

**Baptism and Confirmation Course** - If you haven't been baptised yet, or you have, but are not confirmed, why not come to our 3-session course on Thursdays 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2<sup>nd</sup> July and 9<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm in the Chapel. Please sign up on the list at the back of church or speak to Rev'd Rachel.

**Date for your Diary** – We will be holding our popular BBQ after the 10.30am service on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September. Please keep the day free and invite your friends and neighbours!

**APCM** - Many thanks to all who attended the 10.30am service on 17<sup>th</sup> May, and to those who shared about the work of the teams. At the meetings in the hall, Anne Harkness and Anthea Prendergast were appointed as churchwardens for the coming year. James Bramwell, Sarah Gray, Ishmael Gowero, and Sandra Horner were elected to serve on the PCC, and Sandra Horner and Keith Howick were elected as our two representatives on Deanery Synod. On the St Paul's Church website there are copies of the APCM reports, including the vicar's report.

**Marathon Walk** – On 13<sup>th</sup> June, David Sewell will be undertaking his seventh marathon on behalf of Prostate Cancer UK. If you would like to support him, his Just giving page can be found at <https://marchformen.prostatecanceruk.org/fundraising/davids-march-for-men-2026>. Or you can give him a cheque payable to Prostate Cancer Uk. He is also very happy to take cash!!

**Tea and Coffee** – Many thanks to the Blakely home group for serving tea and coffee on 24<sup>th</sup> May and to the Bradley group on 31<sup>st</sup> May. On 7<sup>th</sup> June, the Howick home group will be on duty.

### *Community Notices*

**Beckenham Concert Band perform Flamenco, Ellington, Bond & More** – Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 7pm at Beckenham Baptist Church, with Conductor Dimitri Chrysostomou. Tickets on the door – card or cash. £15 (£10 concessions, children free). Retiring collection for Christian Aid.

**Prayer Festival** – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May, 10am – 4pm at St Benedict's Centre, West Malling. Exploring different ways of praying. With keynote speaker Canon Dr Neville Emslie (Director of Mission and Ministry, Canterbury Diocese), and workshops on Pilgrimage, Christian meditation, Celtic Prayer, Labyrinth, Praying with Dreams, Ignatian Prayer & the Jesus Prayer. For more information and to book, please go to the Rochester Diocese website or click here: [The Heart of Mission is Prayer](#).

**CAP Money Coaching Course** - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> and Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June, 12.45pm – 3pm, at St John's Penge, SE20 7EQ CAP. A free course run by trained Money Coaches to learn how to manage money better. Suitable for anyone at any level of income, it works for everyone! Sign up using this [link](#).

**Screening of "The People's Emergency Briefing"** - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June, 7pm at Beckenham Methodist Church. 9 leading scientists and experts will give an update on the latest climate and nature crisis and its impact on everyday life, which will be followed by a facilitated discussion on what this could mean locally. Free, but pre-registration required: QR code on Eco Board or click [here](#).

**Beckenham Chorale** - Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June, 7pm, at St George's Beckenham. An evening of jazz-influenced English and American music, conducted by Mark Griffiths. Tickets £15/£10/£5, incl. free drink and programme, online ([www.ticketsource.co.uk/beckenhamchorale](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/beckenhamchorale)) and on the door.

**Stay and Play at Worsley Bridge School** – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June and Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July, 10am – 11am, at Worsley Bridge Primary School. Fun sessions for children aged 2 – 4 years and their grown-ups.

**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 (May and June): Hope into Action Bromley***  
***... Empowering churches to end homelessness***



It was good to hear an update from Rebecca Day, when she visited us on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May. If you missed the service, you can see the update at approximately 17 minutes on the following link:  
<https://www.youtube.com/live/OIloiE4Njmk?si=7pnWekw8WgEyHhBT>.

Hope into Action Bromley is working with [Hope into Action UK](#) and aims to see individuals, who are trapped in relational poverty and homelessness, proactively supported by the local church, through the provision of a home and a loving Christian support network. Please read the board at the back of church and notice donation and referral contacts.

***Please pray...***

- for our Connect Café on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May.
- for our Youth Explore course and all the young people taking part.
- for children and families on half term this week, and for all who will be revising for exams.
- for all areas of the world where there is violence, war or conflict, and for wisdom for all those involved in peace talks.
- for all those affected by the Ebola outbreak.
- for CAP and Living Well, and for all who come to them for support and guidance.
- for those in hospital, receiving treatment, recovering from operations.
- for all those struggling with health problems or increasing frailty.
- for all who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

On our Electoral Roll we pray for John Williams, Adam and Rachel Winn, Brian Woolmer, Graham Woolmer, and for our parishioners in Lennard Road.

***Get in touch...***

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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).

***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*