

welcome today to St Paul's Church, especially if you are a visitor or a newcomer. Please introduce yourself to the minister or sidesmen.

Collect for the Week

Risen Christ,
by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples:
help your Church to obey your command
and draw the nations to the fire of your love,
to the glory of God the Father.

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

The service begins on p 237. The readings begin on page 142.

10.00 am Parish Eucharist (CW)

President & Preacher: The Vicar, Minister: Tim Cripps

10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre

Lead: Wendy Anderson, Link Karen Miller

Hymns: WT 33 Be still and know
WT 380 Spirit of the living God
Sheet In Christ alone
WT 84 Father God I wonder
WT 409 The Spirit lives to set us free

Reading: John 14.15-21 (NIV 1082)

2.30 pm Parish Church open for visitors

6.30 pm Choral Evensong (BCP)

Minister & Preacher: Tim Cripps

Introit: If ye love me - Tallis

Hymn: NEH 265 Lord of beauty, thine the splendour

Responses: Ayleward

Psalm: 106 verses 1-12 (BCP page 377)

1st Reading: Caroline Johnson

Magnificat Dyson in D

2nd Reading: Luke 15.1-10 Tony Johnson

Nunc Dimittis: Dyson in D

Anthem: Evening Hymn – Balfour Gardiner

Hymn: NEH 341 Blest are the pure in heart

Hymn: NEH 248 (2nd tune) O strength and stay

Amen Finzi

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

MONDAY 22nd *Rogation Day*

- 9.00 am Morning Prayer at the Parish Church
- 8.00 pm PCC Meeting in The Lodge

TUESDAY 23rd *Rogation Day*

- Parish Office closed
- 6.30 pm Wedding rehearsal at the Parish Church

WEDNESDAY 24th *John and Charles Wesley, Evangelists, Hymn writers 1791/1788*

- 9.00 am Morning Prayer (CW) at the Church Centre
Followed by Bible Reading
- 7.30 pm Parish Fellowship visit to St Mary's, Goudhurst

THURSDAY 25th **ASCENSION DAY**

- 11.30 for 12.30 pm Rusthall Lunch Club at the Church Centre
- 11.45 am Holy Communion at the Church Centre
- 8.00 pm Parish Eucharist (CW) – the Vicar & Tim Cripps

FRIDAY 26th *Augustine, first Archbishop of Canterbury, 605*

- 6.30 pm Junior Choir Practice
- 7.30 pm Full Choir Practice

SATURDAY 27th *Venerable Bede, Presbyter*

- 10.00 am Fairtrade Café at the URC
- 9.30-10.30 Thy Kingdom Come Prayers at the Church Centre – The Vicar

NEXT SUNDAY 28th **May**

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

- 8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) – The Vicar**
- 10.00 am Matins (BCP) – Tim Cripps**
- 10.00 am Family Service with Holy Communion at the Church Centre – the Vicar**
- 2.00 pm Wedding at the Parish Church with the Choir**
- 2.30 pm – 5 pm Parish Church Open for Visitors**
- 4.00 – 5pm Thy Kingdom Come Prayers at the Parish Church – The Vicar**
- 6.30 pm Parish Eucharist (BCP) – The Vicar**



Altar Flowers at the Parish Church

The altar flowers at the Parish Church are given by Jane Goldsworthy in loving memory of her parents Anneliese and Kenneth Wootton

NEWS and NOTES

Fairtrade Stall

There is a Fairtrade Stall today in The Lodge. Do pop over and enjoy a cup of coffee and fellowship while you stock up with your favourite goodies. Barbara and Billy will be pleased to see you.

Parish Walk Monday 29th May – 10 am from the Church Centre

Refreshments will be available at Broomhill Bank School. Entry is £5 and you can arrange for people to sponsor you in aid of Church Funds. You do not have to do the whole walk, join in as you wish.

Come and Sing with James Whitbourn – SON OF GOD MASS

On Saturday 10th June there will be a singing workshop with James Whitbourn at St Paul's. It will run from 10 am to 4.15 pm with a break for lunch. Booking forms are available at the back of both Churches. On Saturday 15th July there will be a concert, here at the Parish Church, which will include the Son of God Mass. For more information about either event please see the leaflet/booking form.

Sainsbury Vouchers

The Sainsbury Active Kids promotion has now finished so please get your vouchers in by the end of May. Karen and Wendy intend to place their order at the beginning of June. Thank you.



Thy Kingdom Come – 25th May to 4th June

The Archbishop of Canterbury is encouraging Christians of all denominations to #Pledge2Pray as part of global prayer movement Thy Kingdom Come.

Last year more than 100,000 people joined with the Archbishops of Canterbury and York to pray in the 10 days between Ascension and Pentecost.

This year it is hoped even more people will join in. Here at St Paul's Ronnie will be organising some prayer time sessions as part of the Archbishop's initiative. You are welcome to come for as short or long a time as you like.

Saturday 27th 9.30–10.30 am Church Centre, Sunday 28th 4-5 pm Parish Church
Tuesday 30th 10-11 am Church Centre, Wed 31st 9.30-10.30 am Church Centre
Thursday 1st 10.30-11.30 Church Centre, Saturday 3rd 9-10 am Parish Church

Christian Aid Collections

Our collections & donations for Christian Aid last week raised £1331.29, with the cake sale making an additional £157.75. Thank you for your generosity.

Headway Charity Cricket Match

This family day will be held at Speldhurst Cricket Club from 1 pm onwards. Admission is free, with a bar,bbq, stalls and a raffle. For more information contact www.headwaywestkent.org For advance raffle tickets (great prizes) ring 01892 619001.

Message from Shirley Batryn

Shirley has been in contact this week, to let us know that she is very happy and settled at Rossett Holt. Her mother has been staying for a break and is hoping to move there permanently, which will be lovely for both of them. Shirley sends her love to all here friends at St Paul's and would like you to keep in touch.

Pew Leaflet

If you have items for the Pew Leaflet, please send them to the Parish Office by Tuesday - office@stpaulsrusthall.org.uk

Fellowship Outing to Goudhurst Parish Church

The eagerly awaited trip is next Wednesday 24th May starting at 7.30 pm. The Glebe will be open for parking, from whence it is a short walk through the Churchyard to enter by the West Door. We shall have a talk on the history of the Church followed by viewing and at 8.30 pm their Vicar will lead us in a short service of Compline. We shall retire to the nearest hostelry for some R&R which again is a very short stroll. If you are driving make your way to Goudhurst and as you go up the Hill the Church is facing you. Go round the sharp left and right hand bends and on your right soon look for a telegraph pole and a litter bin. Turn right into the Glebe (it is their recreation ground but has a lot of room for parking). Do not turn into Back Lane which precedes the Glebe. Although organised by the Fellowship the event is open to all. Goudhurst has a lot of history, so come along and enjoy some fellowship together.

Service of Worship and Prayer for Healing on Saturday 10th June

St Pauls and the URC Church will be holding this special service at 10 am at the Church Centre. There will be an opportunity for people to come and receive prayer for any concern, or to have prayer offered on behalf of another. There will also be a chance to light a candle for yourself or someone you know or want to remember. Helen Warmington will be giving a talk entitled "All are Welcome". Helen is the United Reformed Minister of the Churches of Rusthall, Hawkenbury and Tunbridge Wells. Do come and join us for this informal service and afterwards for refreshments. For more information ring Pat Stevens on 529187.

Eva Cohen

We can now confirm that Eva's funeral will be held at St James Church on Thursday 1st June at 2 pm.

CONTACTS

The Vicar: The Revd Ronnie Williams 521357 (day off: Friday)

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Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday – 10 am to 1 pm (Closed Tuesdays)

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