

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2018**  
**The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity**

*We wish you a very warm 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**

Almighty God,  
you search us and know us:  
may we rely on you in strength  
and rest on you in weakness,  
now and in all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

- 8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) – The Vicar**  
The service begins on page 237. The readings begin on page 175.  
The Affirmation of Faith is on page 240.
- 10.00 am Matins (BCP)**  
Minister: Daphne Pilcher, Preacher: Tim Cripps
- 10.00 am Family Service with Baptism at the Church Centre**  
**Leader: The Vicar, Link: Alison Turner**

**Please see separate booklet**

**2.30-5.00 pm Parish Church open for Visitors**

**6.30 pm Parish Eucharist (CW)**  
President & Preacher: The Vicar



**Altar Flowers at the Parish Church**

The altar flowers are given today by  
David and Anne Vernon  
in loving memory of  
Bo and Ivy Vernon  
& John and Margaret Fleming

## THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

**MONDAY 27<sup>th</sup>** *Monica, Mother of Augustine of Hippo, 387*

**BANK HOLIDAY**

**Parish Office closed**

(NB. No Morning Prayer at the Parish Church)

**TUESDAY 28<sup>th</sup>**

Parish Office closed

2.00 pm Funeral of Celia Stone at the Parish Church with the Choir

**WEDNESDAY 29<sup>th</sup>**

9.00 am Morning Prayer (CW) at the Church Centre  
Followed by Bible Reading

**THURSDAY 30<sup>th</sup>**

11.45 am Holy Communion at the Church Centre – The Vicar

12.00 for 12.30 Rusthall Lunch Club at Rusthall Club

**FRIDAY 31<sup>st</sup>**

No Choir Practice

**SATURDAY 1<sup>st</sup> September**

10.00 am Decorating working party at the Lodge

**NEXT SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> September**

**The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity**

**8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) – The Vicar**

**10.00 am Parish Eucharist with Baptisms (CW) - The Vicar**

**10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre**

**5.30 pm Junior Choir Choral Evensong (BCP) – The Vicar & Daphne Pilcher**

## **NEWS and NOTES**

### **David Webster OBE**

We were very sad to learn of the death of our dear friend David Webster on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August. David was a long standing Lay Reader here at St Paul's and was made Reader Emeritus a few years ago. His funeral will be held here in the Parish Church on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September at 3 pm. Our love and prayers are with Ruth and all the family at this very sad time.

### **Final Working Party at the Lodge Next Saturday**

We are having one more decorating session in the Lodge on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September. Please do come along to help, even if you have not been able to come to the others. As they say, many hands make light work. We will be starting at 10 am.

### **Battle's Over - A Nation's Tribute**

Thank you to those of you have risen to the challenge and knitted poppies for the display we intend to show outside the Church Centre for Remembrance this November. Please keep knitting as we need hundreds of poppies to make an effective display. The deadline for poppies to be handed in will be the end of September. The pattern is available in both churches and is also on the church website. Look forward to many more over the next few weeks. Completed poppies can be returned to The Church Centre. Further information is available from Wendy Anderson.

### **Sidesmen Needed for 10 am and 6.30 pm Services**

We are hoping to recruit a couple more people (gentlemen or ladies) to the team at the Parish Church. This important role involves meeting and greeting, handing out leaflets and operating the sound system (which is quite straightforward). If you would be able to offer your services please speak to Ronnie, or the Wardens. You can help as often or little as suits, we have a few slots that currently need filling.

### **Junior Choir Choral Evensong**

Do come along next Sunday evening and listen to the lovely music that the Junior Choir learned during their Choir Camp. Please note that this service will be at the earlier time of 5.30pm.

### **Confirmation 2018**

This year's Confirmation Service will be held at St Luke's Church on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September. Bishop James will be taking the service. Classes at St Paul's will be on Sunday afternoons at 3 pm with Ronnie, at the Church Centre, beginning on 2<sup>nd</sup> September. If you would like to be confirmed this year, or would like to discuss confirmation, please speak with Ronnie. There are sign-up sheets available at the back of both churches.

## Hearing and Speaking God's Word Course

A two part training course for all those involved in our worship services - such as intercessors, bible readers, leaders, links and Sunday school leaders will be held on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October and Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November, from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm at the Church Centre. Please put these dates in your diary. In Hearing God's Word, we rediscover the joy and the wonder of hearing God speaking to us through the Bible. We learn how to bring Scripture to the difficulties and blessings of life in a responsible and life-changing way. The course was written, and is led by, Mike Warren, Vicar of St Peter's Tunbridge Wells. Mike has an MA in Biblical Studies, is studying for a certificate in biblical counselling, and taught for many years on the Diocesan lay training course.

## Pew Leaflet

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

## Ride and Stride 2018

This annual event run by Friends of Kent Churches ([www.friendsofkentchurches.co.uk](http://www.friendsofkentchurches.co.uk)) will take place this year on Saturday 8th September. For those of you who have not come across it before, the idea is to get sponsorship to visit as many churches in Kent as possible either by walking or cycling between 10 am and 6 pm. The money raised goes towards paying for repairs and renovations of churches in Kent. It is split equally between the Diocese (to go towards larger projects) and St. Pauls, Rusthall. We will also need volunteers to sit for an hour at a time in each church recording the walkers and cyclists as they come through and providing simple refreshments. There is a sign up board at the back of the church for those who are able to help with this. There will be a group cycling around the Romney Marsh churches where it is very flat and the roads are less busy. We will be meeting at Appledore village hall car park at 9.45. There is a good route available for anyone who prefers to stay more local and has not tried the event before.

If you would like to volunteer as a walker or cyclist or to sit in church please contact Jane Goldsworthy on 01892 680271 or [jane\\_goldsworthy@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:jane_goldsworthy@yahoo.co.uk)

## Church Sitting

Very many thanks to those who have signed up. PLEASE can anyone help with the remaining four dates, 26th August, 30th September, 14th October and 21st October. Daphne.

### CONTACTS

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