

# Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2025

## The Third Sunday of Lent

St. Paul's  
Church  
Rusthall



### Collect for the Week

Eternal God,  
give us insight  
to discern your will for us,  
to give up what harms us,  
and to seek the perfection we are promised  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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#### 8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

President & Preacher: The Vicar

#### 10.00 am Matins (BCP)

Minister & Preacher: Rev. Nicholas Burton

#### 10.00 am Family Service with Communion at the Church Centre + Zoom

President : The Vicar, Link: Jean Kerr

Hymns:            Here I am to worship  
                      God forgave my sin in Jesus name  
                      Amazing grace, my chains are gone  
                      What a friend we have in Jesus

Readings:        1 Corinthians 10.1-13 (NIV page 1151)  
                      Luke 13.1-9 (NIV page 1046)

#### 6.30 pm Eucharist (CW)

President & Preacher: The Vicar

### THE WEEK AHEAD

**MONDAY 24<sup>th</sup> March** *Walter Hilton of Thurgarten, Augustinian Canon, Mystic, 1396*

**9.00 am Morning Prayer at the Parish Church – The Vicar**

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

**TUESDAY 25<sup>th</sup> THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

Parish Office closed

9.30 am Organ tuning at the Parish Church

10.00 am Lent Group at the Church Centre

**WEDNESDAY 26<sup>th</sup>** *Harriet Monsell, founder of the Community of St John the Baptist, 1883*

**9.00 am Morning Prayer at the Church Centre – The Vicar**

9.00 am Playtime at St Paul's

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

**THURSDAY 27<sup>th</sup>**

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

**11.30 am Holy Communion at the Church Centre – The Vicar**

12.30 pm Lunch Club at the Church Centre

7.30 pm Lent group in the Lodge

**FRIDAY 28<sup>th</sup>**

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

12.30 pm Community Larder at the Church Centre

6.30 pm Junior Choir practice

7.30 pm Full Choir practice

**SATURDAY 29<sup>th</sup>**

10am-4pm Choristers Café in the Lodge

**NEXT SUNDAY 30<sup>th</sup> March**

**MOTHERING SUNDAY**

**The Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**8.00 am Holy Communion**

President & Preacher: The Vicar

**10.00 am Joint Parade Service**

Ministers: The Vicar, Rev. Nicholas Burton, Daphne Pilcher

Speaker: Bradley Collins

10am-4pm Choristers Café in the Lodge

**6.30 pm Eucharist (CW)**

President & Preacher: The Vicar

## **NEWS AND NOTES**

### **From The Vicarage**

Greetings to you all and a very warm welcome to our services today, the Third Sunday of Lent. Special thanks to Fiona and the Choir for the concert at the Parish Church yesterday. It was a special experience on our Lenten journey.

May Almighty God continue to strengthen each one of us as we journey with Christ and keep a Holy Lent.

## **New Electoral Roll (Full Revision)**

Electoral Roll application forms are available at the back of both the Parish Church and the Church Centre, please complete your form as soon as possible. Also if you are aware of anyone who cannot get to Church please either take them a form or let me know. If you have any questions, do get in touch. Thank you – Ginette.

## **Treasurer for the Parish**

As you know Pat has now retired from this role and we are now looking for someone to take on this role. This can be a shared position with two or more people taking on different aspects of the job. Full training and support will be given. If you feel this is something you could do as part of the ministry of St Paul's please speak with Ronnie.

## **Confirmation**

This year, we will be hosting the Confirmation Service for our cluster of parishes at the Parish Church at 4 pm on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May and Bishop Jonathan will preside. If you or someone you know would like to get confirmed, please put your details on the list provided at both Churches.

## **Mothering Sunday**

If you have any greenery or flowers that could be used for the posies at the Parish Church next weekend, the flower team would be very grateful. You can bring items to the Church on Saturday morning or to the Parish Office on Friday morning. Thank you.

## **Pilgrimage 2025 Monday 23rd June**

This year we will be following the Martyr's Way which will take us from Tower Bridge to St. Bartholomew the Great in the City of London. After some refreshments in Borough Market, the day will finish with Evensong in Southwark Cathedral. Sign up sheets are in both Churches. For further details please contact Tim Harrold (07413 805814 [timharrold@duck.com](mailto:timharrold@duck.com)).

## **Rusthall Lodge**

The Board of Rusthall Lodge Care Home are looking for a new Chair for the Board of Governors. The person should be local to Rusthall and/or have strong connection with the community. Details of the role can be found on the Trustees Unlimited website <https://trustees-unlimited.co.uk/roles/>, the application deadline is 14th April 2025

## **Road Closure**

Major York's Road will be closed from the 5<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> of April at the junction of Fir Tree Road and Hungershall Park.

## Church Youth Council

Our next meeting Thursday 3rd April 6 pm in The Lodge. We will be discussing Personal Safety with Sarah our Community Police Officer.

We are planning a hanging basket/window box competition in aid of our bees. This will be judged on Saturday the 5<sup>th</sup> July and is open to all. Please see the posters with QR code to register your entry (£1 per entry).

## Help needed to assemble the flowers for the 175 banner

The Lodge is booked for drop-in sessions to help with the flower banner construction on the following dates 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> March, 4<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> April 9.30 am – 4 pm. Please come along if you have even an hour to spare anytime on those dates. Thank you. Contact [jeankerr@stpaulsrusthall.org.uk](mailto:jeankerr@stpaulsrusthall.org.uk) for more details.

## Fun Runs

Following the difficulties we experienced during both the Hospice and TW runs I have had positive meetings with organisers to look at improving things. I will keep you all updated. Ginette.

## Easter Lilies

If you wish to give a lily/lilies please complete the form below and send to the Parish Office/Ginette. The minimum donation is £6 per lily. You can pay cash, by cheque (made payable to "St Paul's Church Rusthall") or by Bacs – Lloyds 30-98-77 a/c 00680470 reference "lilies". The names to be remembered will be placed on the altar for the Easter period.

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### EASTER LILIES 2024

Name of Person/s to be remembered:

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Name of Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation of £            cash..... cheque..... BACS...../ (please tick)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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