

# Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025

## The Fifth Sunday of Lent

St. Paul's  
Church  
*Rusthall*



### Collect for the Week

Gracious Father,  
you gave up your Son  
out of love for the world:  
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,  
that we may know eternal peace  
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

President & Preacher: The Vicar

#### 10.00 am Eucharist (CW)

President & Preacher: Rev. Nicholas Burton, Minister: The Vicar

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

Lead: Tim Harrold, Link: Wendy Anderson

Hymns: When I needed a neighbour  
I will offer up my life  
Take my life and let it be  
In Christ alone

Reading: John 12.1-8 (NIV page 1079)

#### 6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)

**Minister & Preacher: The Vicar**

Hymn: NEH 439 (2<sup>nd</sup> tune) (omit verses 3 & 4)  
Praise to the Holiest in the height

Psalm: 32 (BCP page 382)

1st Reading: 2 Chronicles 35.1-6, 10-16 (NRSV page 448) Barbara Bourne

Magnificat: D

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Luke 22.1-13 (NRSV page 113) Deborah Bruce

Nunc Dimittis: D

Anthem: O Saviour of the world - Goss

Hymn: NEH 95 When I survey the wondrous Cross

Amen: 8

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### **MONDAY 7<sup>th</sup> April**

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

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

### **TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup>**

Parish Office closed

10.00 am Lent Group at the Church Centre

12 noon Interment of Ashes of Veronica Shilling, New Churchyard – The Vicar

### **WEDNESDAY 9<sup>th</sup>** *Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Lutheran Pastor Martyr, 1945*

**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

3.00 pm Communion to Chamberlain Court – The Vicar

### **THURSDAY 10<sup>th</sup>** *William Law, Priest Spiritual Writer*

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 11<sup>th</sup>** *George Selwyn, First Bishop of New Zealand, 1878*

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 12<sup>th</sup>**

10am-4pm Choristers Café in the Lodge

10am-1pm CYC car wash at the Parish Church

### **NEXT SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> April**

#### **Palm Sunday**

**8.00 am Holy Communion**

President & Preacher: The Vicar

**10.00 am Eucharist with Palms and Passion Narrative (CW)**

President: The Vicar, Minister: Daphne Pilcher

10am-4pm Choristers Café in the Lodge

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

Lead: Daphne Pollard, Link: Susan Powley

**6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)**

Minister & Preacher: The Vicar

# NEWS AND NOTES

## **From The Vicarage**

Greetings to you all and a very warm welcome to our services today, the Fifth Sunday of Lent. Special thanks to members of the flower team for decorating the parish Church and making the posies for our joint Mothering Sunday Parade service last Sunday, and to Rusthall Scouts for their part in the service, including Bradley Johnson, who gave the address.

We've all heard about and probably seen images about the recent earthquake in Myanmar. We will be having a collection at both churches next Sunday for the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) Appeal to support the humanitarian work in Myanmar. Please give as generously as you can to this appeal. You will most definitely be making a positive difference.

May Almighty God strengthen us through Passiontide as, again, we contemplate God's costly demonstration of love for humanity and his entire creation.

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

Please return your completed Electoral Roll forms as soon as possible.  
Thank you – Ginette.

## **Treasurer for the Parish**

We are urgently 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.

## **Help Needed to Assemble the Flowers for the 175 Banner in the Lodge**

Drop-in sessions to help are on Monday/Tuesday 7/8 and 14/15 April 9.30 - 4. Please come along if you have even an hour to spare anytime. Thank you -  
[jeankerr@stpaulsrusthall.org.uk](mailto:jeankerr@stpaulsrusthall.org.uk)

## **London Pilgrimage 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2025**

There are still spaces available for those who would like to join us. Details of the itinerary, a map showing our route, and a list of all the Churches and places of interest we will be visiting can be viewed at

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/16960/page/93196/view/>

If you have any questions about the Pilgrimage please contact Tim Harrold.

## **Family Service Children's Group**

There will not be a children's group on the 13th April or 20th April. Children of all ages are of course welcome at all services when the group isn't running. We are terribly short of leaders and would love to recruit some more! If you feel you would like to help with our children's group please do get in touch with Mary Holmes: 07881371684 or [mary@mandmcreative.co.uk](mailto:mary@mandmcreative.co.uk)

## Road Closure

Major York's Road is closed now until the 20<sup>th</sup> of April at the junction of Fir Tree Road and Hungershall Park.

## Polling Station

The Church Centre will be used as a Rusthall voting location on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May from 7 am to 10 pm. If you have any queries please contact me in the office. Ginette.

## Parish Walk - 5th May 2025

Please join us for a circular walk around the village. Starting from the Church Centre at 10 am. A simple map and quiz will be provided and there will be the opportunity for a refreshment stop at the Choristers Café. Further details to follow.

## Online Donations

To access online donations please go to:

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/16960> or scan the QR Code on the various posters.

## 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 2025

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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