

*Our vision is to be a growing community
where God is found in the beauty and joy of our worship, the warmth of our welcome,
the breadth of our outreach and our love for our neighbour.*

Sunday 23rd November 2025 Christ the King	
<p>Welcome to St Paul's. You can join today's live service online at 10.00 a.m. on our YouTube channel 'St Paul's Wimbledon Parkside' via this direct link: St Paul's Wimbledon Parkside on YouTube, or via one of the links to the YouTube Channel on the St Paul's website: www.stpaulsparkside.org.uk To receive regular communications from St Paul's by email and text, please update your contact details (email and mobile phone) by sending an email to the Parish Administrator at: office@stpaulsparkside.org.uk</p>	
Organ before service	<i>Lift up your heads ... and the King of Glory shall come in by Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)</i>
Opening hymn	137 <i>Crown him with many crowns (omit vs.2)</i>
First reading	Colossians 1:11-20 [In Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell]
Gradual hymn	359 <i>Jesus shall reign</i>
Gospel	Luke 23:33-43 [Jesus replies to the penitent thief, "Today you will be with me in Paradise."]
Preparation hymn	477 <i>O Christ the same</i>
Communion hymns	448 <i>Meekness and majesty</i> 931 <i>Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom</i>
Final hymn	16 <i>All hail the power of Jesu's name</i>
Final voluntary	<i>Cristo Re! (Christ the King!) by Oreste Ravanello (1871-1938)</i>

*Our Lord wanted us to be Christ-like. Christ-like doesn't mean not having faults.
It means that you do actually have a capacity to draw out the good that is in others.*

- Demond Tutu

Thank you for your generosity! St Paul's depends on your prayers, and your gifts of time, talents and resources to enable all that we do together in mission. If you'd like to make a one-off financial donation today, please scan the QR code.



Please take this copy of the pew sheet with you for your personal use

Collect	Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.
Post Communion Prayer	Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Readings: Chris Wright, Jaqueline Johnson. **Intercessions:** Eve Speare.

Coffee after the service: Please join us for coffee in the lounge after this morning's service.

Birthdays in the month of November

1 st	Pauline Wright	9 th	Elaine Harper-Jones	11 th	Judy Jones
3 rd	Mike Bower	10 th	Chris Wright	13 th	Harry Stoneham
4 th	Pamela Cobb	10 th	John Waller	18 th	Gregory Hunt
9 th	Elizabeth Peart	11 th	Gill Thompson	20 th	Jean Hazell

Notices

The church is also open during the week for private prayer, though we are now facing challenges in keeping our doors open as much as we have. Please let Revd Susan or our Churchwardens know if you can help to fill in a rota, especially on **Saturday mornings 10 a.m. - 12 noon.**

Services this week

Evening prayers will be held at **6 p.m. this evening.** Join Rev'd Susan and Rev'd Jack for **Morning and Evening Prayer** at **9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.** in the Lady Chapel Monday to Thursday, and **Midday Eucharist** on **Wednesdays.**

St Paul's Pantry: Next Opening is **Thursday 4th December, 6:30-7:30 p.m.**



Tea and Toys



Tea and Toys Playgroup for babies, toddlers and their parents and carers runs on **Tuesdays** during term time from **9-30 - 10.30 a.m.**

Church Events

A huge THANK YOU to those who made yesterday's Christmas Fayre possible whether by donating, help with setting up or packing away, volunteering on the day itself or attending and spending! Our total funds raised will be shared in due course.

Gifts for Wandsworth Prison: Everyone is welcome to join Lesley Hazel over coffee to help with signing cards for the prisoners, to go with this year's appeal.

Advent Evensong, next Sunday 30th November at 6:00 p.m. Please join us for this special service to mark the new season and new church year.

Advent Study: This year, we will be reading (or re-reading!) *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens together, with attention to some of its spiritual and theological themes. We'll meet to discuss it, chapter by chapter, over a light supper on **Monday 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd December, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.**, location TBC - please sign up on the list at the back of church if you intend to come. (We're also exploring the option of going to see the production at the Old Vic after Christmas.)



Posada - Making Room for Mary and Joseph: As last year, everyone is warmly invited to welcome our miniature figures of Mary and Joseph into your home for one night during Advent. The evening after their stay, you take the Holy Couple on to another home and receive hospitality from their next hosts in turn! Families especially welcome! Please find a sign-up date that suits you on the list at the back of church. For further information, please contact Revd Jack.

Carol singing: St Paul's Carol Singers will be singing to raise money for GlassDoor, a Christian charity for the homeless, on the following dates:



Tuesday 16th December, starting at 7.00 p.m. around the 'Gardens' streets, followed by refreshments. Please meet at the top of Southdean Gardens, 7.00 p.m. or join us as we go round. We need 'door knockers' as well as singers.

Wednesday 17th December, 6.00 p.m. - 7.00 p.m. at Southfields station; bucket shakers as well as singers are welcome!

Christmas Cards: We have our St Paul's Christmas cards on sale again this year. In common with the majority of Charity Christmas Cards ours will sell at for £5 for 10 cards. Cards are on sale at the back of church. Cash payment is preferred with monies in the marked box.

Interfaith Events

Next Joint Study Session with Wimbledon Synagogue, Wednesday 17th December 7 p.m. for 7:45 p.m. at the synagogue. Please join us for a session on "Stories that Shape us", which will incorporate the lighting of the 4th Hanukkah candle. Please RSVP by email to Rev'd Susan.

Christmas Services

Sunday 7th December: 4.00 p.m. Advent Messy Church

5:30 p.m. Lighting of the Christmas Tree and Carols in the War Memorial Garden.

Sunday 14th December: 6:00 p.m. Service of Lessons and Carols.

Sunday 21st December: 4:00 p.m. All-age Christingle Service.

Wednesday 24th December: 4.00 p.m. Christmas Eve: All-age Crib Service
11.00 p.m. Midnight Mass.

Thursday 25th December: 10:00 a.m. Christmas Day: Family Service.

Giving: Your giving is what enables St Paul's in all its services and work in the community. Everything that happens here is carried by the **prayers, volunteering and generous giving** of our congregation and guests. Giving - in gifts and acts of service - is at the heart of all we do as a church, but all the gifts we receive are hugely appreciated and make a difference. You can give using **the card reader** at the door; cash or cheque in a **giving envelope** can be dropped in the box near the door. If you are a UK taxpayer, **please consider filling in the Gift Aid declaration** on the envelope to make your gift go even further. You can also give a one-off donation using **this QR code**.

The pew sheet: Please send notices to pewsheet@stpaulsparkside.org.uk. The deadline for next Sunday's pew sheet is midday **Tuesday 25th November**.

Future Services		In church and online
23rd November, 6:00 p.m.: Evening Prayer 26th November, 12 noon: Midweek Communion 30th November, 10:00 a.m.: Holy Communion for First Sunday in Advent 30th November, 6.00 p.m.: Advent Evensong		
Contacts at St Paul's		
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