

*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 16th November 2025 Second Sunday before Advent - Safeguarding Sunday	
<p><i>Welcome to St Paul's - and a special welcome to the friends, families and supporters of Mia Andrade and Alec Butcher as they are baptised today!</i></p> <p><i>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</i></p> <p><i>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</i></p>	
Organ before service	<i>He that shall endure to the end, shall be saved from Elijah by Felix Mendelssohn (1809 - 1847)</i>
Opening hymn	565 <i>Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven</i>
First reading	2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 [do not be weary in doing what is right]
Gradual hymn	437 <i>Make me a channel of your peace</i>
Gospel	Luke 21:5-19 [signs of the times]
Preparation hymn	252 <i>Guide me, O thou great Redeemer</i>
Communion hymns	929 <i>In the Lord I'll be ever thankful</i> 413 <i>Lord of all hopefulness</i>
Final hymn	186 <i>For the healing of the nations</i>
Final voluntary	<i>Ein' feste Burg ist unser Gott by J. Pachelbel (1653-1706)</i>

What happens in the Eucharist is in a very important sense the end of the world. When we emerge from Mass, we are living for a brief moment on the far side of the end of the world. We are where we ought to be in relation to God, to one another, to the world around us.

Rowan Williams

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	Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.
Post Communion Prayer	Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour . Amen.

Readings: Helen Lowe, Mike Lowe. **Intercessions:** Sue Chick.

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 on Thursdays or Saturday mornings.

OPENING TIMES		
Mondays	3 pm -	5 pm
Tuesdays	10 am -	12 am
	2 pm -	4 pm
Wednesday	11:30 am -	12:30 pm
Thursdays	10 am -	12 am
Saturdays	10 am -	12 am
Sundays	9 am -	10 am
	6 pm -	7 pm

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 20th November, 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

Confirmations Today: At 4 p.m., at All Saints Putney, Liz and Rachel from our congregation will be confirmed by Bishop Martin alongside other candidates from the deanery. Please keep them in your prayers, and do come along to support them!

Macmillan Coffee Morning, Thursday 20th November, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. “*Together over Tea & Cake*”: All are very welcome at this event in the Community Centre, hosted jointly by St Paul’s and the women of the Ahmadiyya community, to raise money for cancer support. Cake bakers especially needed! Please take flyers or posters from the back of church to help with publicity.

Christmas Fayre, Saturday 22nd November, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.: Publicity is now available at the back of church. We are still looking for volunteers for some key activities: please speak to Gill or Anne Minors. We would also be grateful to anyone who is willing to lend us a slow cooker (or similar) in which to make and serve mulled wine!

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.

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.

Craft and Flower Morning: Thank you to those who supported the Craft and Flower morning on 8th November and also the very generous donations towards the Christmas Flowers. We plan to have another similar morning again in the spring.

Advent & Christmas Services

Sunday 30th November: 6:00 p.m. Advent Evensong.

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: p.m. *Christmas Eve*: All-age Crib Service; **11.p.m.** Midnight Mass.

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

Interfaith Events

Next Joint Study Session with Wimbledon Synagogue, Tuesday 18th November at 7:00 p.m., hosted at St Paul's Church: Please join us for a session on "Food and Faith"! Please RSVP by email to Rev'd Susan.

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 18th November**.

Future Services		In church and online
16th November, 6:00 p.m.: Evening Prayer		
19th November, 12 noon: Midweek Communion		
23rd November, 10:00 a.m.: Holy Communion for Christ the King		
Contacts at St Paul's		
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