



*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 August 2026
Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to St Paul's - we are especially pleased to welcome back Michael Chapman, leading us in music for the next three weeks in Kevin's absence. 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

Opening hymn	19 All my hope on God is founded
First reading	Romans 12.1-8
Gradual hymn	288 Holy Spirit, come confirm us
Gospel	Matthew 16.13-20
Preparation hymn	97 Christ is made the sure foundation
Communion hymn	662 There's a wideness in God's mercy
Final hymn	487 Oft in danger, oft in woe

*But Pete, with his headband stuffed with fishhooks,
His gift for rushing in where angels wouldn't,
Tom, for whom metaphor is anathema,
And James and John, who want the room at the top—
These numskulls are my medium. I called them.
I am tattooing God on their makeshift lives.*

U.A. Fanthorpe

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Collect	Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen
Post Communion Prayer	God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings: Susan Leyland, Helena Butcher. **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 August

8 th	Shirley Thompson	23 rd	Christine Brown	26 th	Kevin Jones
10 th	Helena Butcher	23 rd	James Harper-Jones	30 th	Peter Yu
19 th	Ben Peart	25 th	Sarah Peart	30 th	Jamie Crooks
19 th	Cathy Ho				

Notices



If you would be interested in becoming involved in the ministry of “church-sitting” in pairs to welcome guests, there is a signup sheet for **Saturday mornings only, 10 a.m. - 12 noon**, on the noticeboard at the back of church, if you can help on an occasional basis. Other days are also possible. Please have a word with Rev'd Jack or the churchwardens.

Services this week

Evening prayers will be held at **6 p.m. this evening**. Join Revd Jack for **Morning and Evening Prayer** on **Tuesdays and Thursdays** at **9:00 a.m.** and **6:00 p.m.**, and **Midday Eucharist** on **Wednesdays**.

St Paul's Pantry: Next opening is **Thursday 10th September** (NB: no session on 27th August).



Tea and Toys



Tea and Toys Playgroup for babies, toddlers and their parents/carers is on a break until **Tuesday 8th September**.

Church Notices

Thank you from Doreen and John Hewitt: A huge thank you to everyone at St Paul's who made last Sunday morning such a lovely occasion, it was great to share our special day with you all.

Works on Augustus Road: New asphalt is being laid between the junctions with Victoria Drive and Princes Way, and this is expected to take place from **Tuesday 25th August until Wednesday 2nd September** (weather permitting). Work is not expected to take place over the Bank Holiday weekend itself, but access and parking may continue to be affected. For more details, please see the letter from Wandsworth Council on the noticeboard at the back of church.

Creationtide display boards Hymns are now displayed on the boards, ready to be illustrated. If you have volunteered, please ensure your work is up for the beginning of Creationtide on **Sunday 6th September**. There should still be one hymn left to be taken! Please speak to Revd Jack or Gill if you are interested.

Praying for our next diocesan bishop Please continue to keep the discernment of the next Bishop of Southwark, and all those involved in the process, in your prayers. Bookmarks and flyers with the Vacancy Prayer are available at the back of church, and on the diocesan website. We have been asked to keep **12th-13th September** as a weekend of special prayer for the process: an Evensong dedicated to it will be held at Southwark Cathedral at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday 13th.

Statement from Bishop Rosemarie Please see the statement by our Acting Diocesan Bishop on the death of Jason Arday displayed at the back of church (also available on the diocesan website).

Altar serving We are keen to recruit new members for our serving team, who carry a cross or candles in procession and help to prepare the communion table. Adults and children are equally welcome; full training is provided, and you can volunteer as frequently or infrequently as suits your schedule. Please speak to Rev'd Jack or Claire Neate for more information.

In-person Safeguarding Training, Saturday 5th September, 10 a.m. - 12 noon: There is still time to sign up at the back of church for this opportunity for those to take foundation-level training in safeguarding in-person, led by members of the Diocesan team. If you signed up some time ago, please ensure it's still in your diary! We will be in touch with further details for those who've signed up.

St Paul's Pantry We still need your help to keep the Pantry well stocked and particularly need the following at the moment: Sardines in brine/spring water; Mackerel fillets in tomato sauce; Meatballs in tomato sauce; Hot dogs (tins or jars); Long-life milk (1 litre); Tinned sweetcorn (325 g); Mayonnaise; Tomato ketchup; Peach slices; Pineapple chunks; Orange marmalade; Strawberry jam; Tinned custard; Tinned rice pudding; Wheat biscuits ('Weetabix'); Cornflakes (500g); Rice Pops; Washing up liquid. Please bring your contributions and place them on the table on your right as you enter the church. Thank you very much!

Coffee Rota - new volunteers needed! We all enjoy the chance to meet each other and chat over a hot drink after morning service at St Paul's; however, we are short of volunteers! Would you consider joining the rota? It's a great way to get to know other people at St Paul's better. It's not difficult to learn the ropes and we will be happy to go through things with you, should you want to find out more. Please speak to Juliet Childs if you think you could help with this important aspect of our fellowship.

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 August**.

Future Services		In church and online
23 rd August 6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer		
26 th August 12 noon Midweek Communion		
30 th August 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion for the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity		
Contacts at St Paul's		
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