

*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 30th August 2026

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to St Paul's - we are especially pleased to welcome back Revd John Shepherd to preside and preach for us this week. 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	367 Jesus, where'er thy people meet
First reading	Romans 12.9-end
Gradual hymn	161 Father hear the prayer we offer
Gospel	Matthew 16.21-end
Preparation hymn	541 O thou who camest from above
Communion hymn	67 Be still, for the presence of the Lord
Final hymn	238 Go forth and tell

*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 God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen
Post Communion Prayer	God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings: Sue Chick, Caroline Keat. **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 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**.



Tea and Toys



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

Church Notices

Works on Augustus Road: These are expected to continue until the middle of this coming week, weather permitting. For more details, please see the letter from Wandsworth Council on the noticeboard at the back of church.



Messy Church, next Sunday 6th September at 4:00 p.m. Please join us for stories, craft, games, food and lots of fun to begin our celebration of Creationtide. Remember - it's not just for kids. Everyone is welcome!

Creationtide display boards If you have volunteered, please ensure your work is up for the beginning of Creationtide **next Sunday 6th September**.

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 in the week ahead.

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 week-end 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.

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 1st September**.

Future Services		In church and online
30 th August 6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer		
2 nd September 12 noon Midweek Communion		
6 th September 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion for Creation Sunday		
6 th September 4:00 p.m. Messy Church		
Contacts at St Paul's		
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