

*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.*

<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026</b> <b>Second Sunday in Lent</b>	
<i>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: <a href="#">St Paul's Wimbledon Parkside on YouTube</a>, or via one of the links to the YouTube Channel on the St Paul's website: <a href="http://www.stpaulsparkside.org.uk">www.stpaulsparkside.org.uk</a>. 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: <a href="mailto:office@stpaulsparkside.org.uk">office@stpaulsparkside.org.uk</a></i>	
<b>Music before service</b>	<i>Exiles [cf. Genesis 12:1] by Amy Beach (1867-1944)</i>
<b>Opening hymn</b>	<i>467 New every morning is the love</i>
<b>Epistle</b>	<i>Genesis 12:1-4a [God calls Abram away from his home at the age of 75]</i>
<b>Gradual hymn</b>	<i>216 God is love, his the care</i>
<b>Gospel</b>	<i>John 3:1-17 [Nicodemus comes to Jesus by night: 'For God so loved the world ...']</i>
<b>Preparation hymn</b>	<i>422 Lord, we come to ask your healing</i>
<b>Communion anthem</b>	<i>As the winter days grow longer (see insert) Music: trad. Welsh (Suo Gân) arr. Kevin Jones Words: Mary Louise Bringle</i>
<b>Communion hymn</b>	<i>706 Warm as the sun (Tune 733)</i>
<b>Final hymn</b>	<i>217 God is love, let heaven adore him (tune Hyfrydol 337)</i>
<b>Final music</b>	<i>Also hat Gott die Welt geliebet (For God so loved the world) by G. Ph. Telemann (1681-1767)</i>

*The devout Christian of the future will either be a 'mystic' - someone who has 'experienced something' or will cease to be anything at all.*

*- Karl Rahner*

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

<b>Collect</b>	Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.
<b>Post Communion Prayer</b>	Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Readings:** John Hewitt, Billie Stevens. **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 March

1 <sup>st</sup>	Thomas Harper Jones	15 <sup>th</sup>	Nina Stoneham	19 <sup>th</sup>	Rosemary Booth
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pam Saxby	17 <sup>th</sup>	Terry Woolgar	21 <sup>st</sup>	Deirdre Gooderson
4 <sup>th</sup>	Benedict Hazel	18 <sup>th</sup>	Norman Allen	21 <sup>st</sup>	Charlie Stoneham
10 <sup>th</sup>	Alice Parkin				

### 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 Rev'd Susan, Rev'd Jack or our Churchwardens know if you can help to fill in a rota.

### 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 5<sup>th</sup> March, 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 Notices



**Messy Church today at 4:00 p.m.!** Please join us for stories, craft, games, food and lots of fun. Remember - it's not just for kids. Everyone is welcome!

**Junior Choir meets today at 3:30 p.m.:** This is a budding choir for boys and girls aged 6-9 years. We are currently learning music to be sung on Palm Sunday and Easter. If your young person is interested in this exciting opportunity, please speak with either Kana Jones, Rev'd Susan or Rev'd Jack.

**Church Opening Hours:** We are currently unable to keep the church open for visitors during any of our existing weekday slots due to a shortage of volunteers. If you would be interested in becoming involved in this ministry, "church-sitting" in pairs to welcome guests at an agreed time, please speak to Rev'd Susan, Rev'd Jack or one of our churchwardens. 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. We are prioritising Saturday mornings as it has been a popular time for visitors.

**Lent Study:** We are reading *Meeting God in John* by the contemporary theologian David Ford - and meeting to discuss it, over a light supper in the vicarage, on **2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> March**, from **7:30 - 9 p.m.** It's not too late to join in! Please speak with Rev'd Susan or Rev'd Jack if you would like to come along. *If you have requested a copy, they are now available, payable to St Paul's at £9. Please see Revd Susan or Gill Thompson.*

**World Day of Prayer:** The local service this year is on **Friday March 6<sup>th</sup> at 3.15 p.m.** at **St Luke's Church, Rycroft Road**, close to Wimbledon Park tube station, with street parking available. It is contributed by the Christian women of Nigeria, and will have hymns, readings and stories, some familiar and some new. Tea and coffee afterwards. Do come if you can, as it is always a pleasant occasion and an opportunity to meet people from local Christian churches.

**Craft and Flower Morning.** We are planning our third Craft and Flower Morning, this time with Easter in mind, **next Saturday March 7<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. until 12.45 p.m.** in the Coffee Lounge. Everyone is welcome, all materials provided as well as tea, coffee and lunchtime snacks. Donations towards expenses and church flowers for Easter are welcome. Please see Doreen or Lesley for further details or to book a place.

**St Paul's Pantry needs your help to stay well-stocked!** Items needed are: Tinned chickpeas, tinned butter beans, tinned kidney beans, tuna in brine or spring water, tinned soups - cream of chicken, mushroom, tomato, vegetable, Choco Rice Pops, Cornflakes (500 g), milk chocolate digestive biscuits, men's deodorant roll-on or spray, women's deodorant roll-on or spray, disposable razors (packs of 10), shampoo, conditioner, hand wash, shower cream.

**Pantry Volunteers:** We would also be grateful for any volunteers who could help with receiving deliveries on a Thursday morning or with driving to collect from one of our donor food shops. We also need two people to be in church on a Thursday morning, so we would be grateful to hear from you if you think you can help. For more information, please see Juliet Childs or Rev'd Susan. Thank you very much.

**Christian Aid Representative:** Margaret Brown has held this role for many years, but would now be grateful if she can hand it over to someone else, although she is happy to be responsible for organising this year's Christian Aid Week in May. The job is not onerous, and as a minimum requires ordering and parcelling up envelopes for distribution to some areas in the parish. There are also other possibilities for raising money for projects in developing countries supported by the central office for anyone

who would like to take a particular interest. Please contact [margaret.brown@kcl.ac.uk](mailto:margaret.brown@kcl.ac.uk), 07810 366 560 for more information.

### Interfaith Notices

**Joint Study Session here at St Paul's on 10<sup>th</sup> March at 7 p.m. for a 7.30 p.m. start:** Discover with us the Book of Daniel, and how it is read in the Jewish and Christian traditions as we explore our third and final session on this fascinating book. We believe you will find it is a thought provoking read. Please email Rev'd Susan if you intend to come along.

**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](mailto:pewsheet@stpaulsparkside.org.uk). The deadline for next Sunday's pew sheet is midday **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**.

<b>Future Services</b>		In church and online
1 <sup>st</sup> March 4:00 pm. Messy Church		
1 <sup>st</sup> March 6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer		
4 <sup>th</sup> March 12 noon: Midweek Communion		
8 <sup>th</sup> March 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion for Third Sunday in Lent		
<b>Contacts at St Paul's</b>		
<p><b>Guy Booth</b>, Parish Administrator Office hours: Weds-Fri, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. <a href="mailto:office@stpaulsparkside.org.uk">office@stpaulsparkside.org.uk</a> t: 020 8785 2341 m: 07533 652 695</p> <p><b>Sam Egan</b>, Community Centre Manager Office hours: Tues and Thurs, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. <a href="mailto:communitycentre@stpaulsparkside.org.uk">communitycentre@stpaulsparkside.org.uk</a> t: 020 8785 6327 m: 07483 62573</p> <p><b>Pew sheet entries</b> <a href="mailto:pewsheet@stpaulsparkside.org.uk">pewsheet@stpaulsparkside.org.uk</a></p>	<p>For urgent enquiries outside office hours, or pastoral assistance, please contact: <b>The Revd Susan Bolen</b>, Vicar <a href="mailto:revsusan@stpaulsparkside.org.uk">revsusan@stpaulsparkside.org.uk</a> t: 0208 788 2024 m: 07540 383 081 Day off: Friday</p> <p>Or to chat with our Curate: <b>The Revd Jack Belloli</b> <a href="mailto:revjack@stpaulsparkside.org.uk">revjack@stpaulsparkside.org.uk</a> Day off: Friday; Study Day: Monday</p> <p><b>Norman Allen</b>, Reader <a href="mailto:norman.homantin@gmail.com">norman.homantin@gmail.com</a></p>	