

*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 18th May 2025 Fifth Sunday of Easter	
<p><i>Welcome to St Paul's - and a special welcome to Jadier, Jaeran, Kadier and their family and friends as they join us for baptism this morning!</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>The fruit of love by A. Holborne (1545-1602)</i>
Opening hymn	<i>404 Living God, your love has called us (Tune 172)</i>
Acts reading	<i>Acts 11:1-18 [Peter explains to the church in Jerusalem why all food is acceptable; salvation is also for the gentiles]</i>
Gradual hymn	<i>201 Give me joy in my heart</i>
Gospel	<i>John 13:31-35 [Jesus gives a new commandment, to love one another]</i>
Preparation hymn	<i>503 O Jesus, I have promised</i>
Communion hymns	<i>35 A new commandment I give unto you</i> <i>64 Beloved, let us love</i>
Final hymn	<i>819 He's got the whole world in his hands</i>
Final voluntary	<i>Allegro from The Water Music by G.F.Handel (1685-1749)</i>

*Almighty God, shepherd and guardian of all, we pray for your servant Pope Leo.
Grant him the grace to follow in the footsteps of the Good Shepherd,
to preach the Gospel with boldness,
to build up your people in unity and peace
and to serve them with humility and love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

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Collect	Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen 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	Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen

Readings: Terry Woolgar, Lois Allen. **Intercessions:** Norman Allen.

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

Birthdays in the month of May

2 nd	Sam Jones	11 th	Alison Hunt	15 th	Arciana Bower
4 th	Jacqueline Johnson	11 th	Talitha Jones	23 rd	Susan Leyland
7 th	Mike Lowe	13 th	Juliet Childs	23 rd	Kana Jones
10 th	Julia Raeburn	14 th	Vicky Simon	27 th	Brigitte Bolen

Notices

The church is also open during the week for **private prayer**. *There are vacancies to be filled on Fridays*. If you can help out to expand these hours, please contact **Terry Woolgar** at telkay42@gmail.com or 01737 362 270. Please note the times of opening may vary.

OPENING TIMES		
Mondays	2 pm -	4 pm
Tuesdays	10 am -	12 am
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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 22nd May, 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

Altar Serving: We are always delighted to hear from anyone who'd be interested in joining our serving team, who carry a cross or candles in procession and help to prepare the communion table. Adults and children are equally welcome; training is provided, and no experience is necessary. Please speak to Rev'd Susan, Rev'd Jack or Claire Neate for more information.

Confirmation: We are hoping to begin classes for adults interested in learning more about the Christian faith and exploring being confirmed. If you would like to find out more, please speak to Rev'd Susan or Rev'd Jack.

Ascension Day, Thursday 29th May: Please join us for a simple sung service of Holy Communion at 7:30 p.m.

Pentecost, Sunday 8th June: One of our customs at the 10:00 a.m. Pentecost service is for lines from the Lord's Prayer to be recited in some of the different languages spoken by members of our congregation. If you'd like to offer a line in a language you know (especially if you'd like to try for the first time!), please speak to Rev'd Jack.

Eco-Pilgrimage for Green Week, 8th to 13th June: Everyone is very welcome to join Bishop Martin and a group of pilgrims on one or more days of their walking pilgrimage through the Diocese. For further details and a QR code for the website, see the green poster at the back of church. There will be an Eco-outreach evening event associated with the pilgrimage at St Barnabas Southfields on **Tuesday 10th June, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.**

Christians at Pride in London, Saturday 5th July: Rev'd Susan and Rev'd Jack are currently exploring opportunities to be involved with the Christian presence at this year's Pride festival, potentially joining a group from Southwark Cathedral on the march. If you are interested in being part of this, please speak to one of them as soon as possible and we will keep you informed.

Interfaith events

Rabbi Jonathan Wittenberg, Listening for God in Torah and Creation: On **Tuesday 20th May**, the Council for Christians and Jews are organising a special evening of learning and reflection with Rabbi Wittenberg, one of the UK's most respected Jewish thinkers and writers. He will be discussing his most recent book, *Listening for God in Torah and Creation* – a moving and thought-provoking exploration of how ancient texts and the natural world speak to our modern spiritual, ethical, and environmental lives. The event will be held in Kingston (exact address to be provided shortly before), starting time 7.15 for 7.30 p.m. Register online at: <https://bit.ly/Wittenberg-Talk> or reserve a place/get more information, from: ccj.swlondon@gmail.com.

Further dates for your diary:

Tuesday 24th June, 7:00 p.m.: Council for Christians and Jews Summer Social, RSVP to Rev'd Susan if you are interested in further details.

Wednesday 2nd July, time tbc: Garden party for St Paul's hosted by Bishop Martin in Albert Drive.

Saturday 12th July, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.: Summer Fete in the Community Centre.

Saturday 19th July, 7 for 7:30 p.m.: Fundraising Quiz Night in the Community Centre.

Saturday 20th September, all day: Kingston Area Episcopal lay conference on "Confident Faith in a Changing World" at St Cecilia's School (Keynote speaker: Rowan Williams).

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 20th May**.

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