

St. Paul's News

St. Paul's Barton - Sunday 26.09.21
17th Sunday after Trinity
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Welcome...

To our **Worship & Communion Service** today with Rev. Dr. Dennis Lloyd, our speaker is Jane Shyvers. This is the third in our Autumn series looking at the New Testament book of Ephesians. This week Chapter 3 Verses 1-13 (Pages 1174 & 1175 in the church bibles). *"The Divine mystery and how God chose to fulfil his intention through Paul and then through the church."*

Covid: Much is now being left to 'personal choice' as to the wearing of masks, the use of venue check-ins and the like, so please respect one another's preferences with regard to the wearing (or otherwise) of masks and social distancing etc. Tea & coffee is available after the service, you may wish to enjoy a cup inside or outside the building.

If you would prefer a quieter service with no singing and more space in the building there is a service of Holy Communion or Morning Prayer every Wednesday morning at 10:15am.

Sunday services are streamed live on Facebook and available later on our YouTube channel.

Scripture inspired last Sunday



"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." Matthew Ch11 v28-30.
Margaret T.

Keep in Touch If you would like to join our email list simply sign up using a Consent Form on the font and hand it to Kevin on the sound desk.

New to St. Paul's?

You are very welcome! Our usual Sunday services are very simple - an opening hymn, a time of prayer and confession, a talk, followed by a time of worship and prayers then (twice a month) we have Holy Communion (all are welcome) and finally, a closing hymn.

There is an offering plate at the back of the church, we welcome contributions but please don't feel obliged to give! If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian speak to Rev. Dozie or Andrew and Josephine our Churchwardens.

Harvest 2021

St. Paul's will be celebrating Harvest at our All-Age Service on **Sunday 17th October**. Again this year we will be supporting the **Isle of Wight Foodbank** with our gifts of produce and money. The need for stocks of food and other items for the Foodbank do vary so look out for next week's newsletter where we will let you know how you can help.

We are also excited to be welcoming the children from

Medina House School to the church for **two**



Medina House School
Part of the life and education provision of the IOW for over 30 years

Harvest services on **Thursday 14th October**.

(10:00am & 11:30am).. Please pray for the children and all those from St. Paul's who will be involved.

Change of plan!

The 10:00am and 7:00pm services advertised in last week's newsletter for **Sunday 3rd October** with Francois Botes will not be taking place. Unfortunately Francois has been unable to leave South Africa.

Instead, we will be sharing the Word and Testimony. If you would like to contribute to the service with a word or a testimony then please speak to Rev. Dozie as soon as possible. Over to you...!

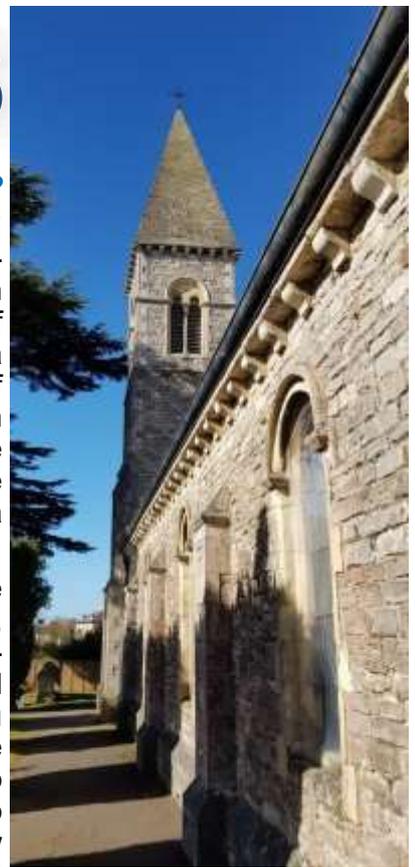
Please continue in prayer for Nnenna, Dozie and their wider family following the tragic loss on Monday of their brother-in-law Pastor John Onu in Nigeria.

Offering / Giving

Thank you for your giving to the work at St. Paul's. If you have not yet committed to regular giving, we would ask you to prayerfully seek God's will regarding this.

Ways to Give: You can put your offering in the offering bag or the plate at the back of the church.

Set up a Standing Order from your bank, you can re-



This week

Date	Time	Event
Mon 27th	7:30pm	Monday Online Fellowship Group (Zoom) - Ephesians Session 3 Chapter 3 Verses 1-13. For more information speak to Andrew.
Tue 28th	9:45am - 11:30am 7:00pm  7:15pm	Little Rascals Toddler Group - The group meets in St. Paul's Christian Centre from 9:45am to 11:30am each Tuesday in school term time. Deanery Conference in Newport Minster - To allow PCC members, leadership teams and congregation members to continue to re-imagine church and how to live out our purpose in each local context. There will be the opportunity to ask questions about what transformation looks like in our Deanery and consider how we best allocate resources Tuesday Online Fellowship Group (Zoom) - Ephesians Session 3 Chapter 3 Verses 1-13. For more information speak to Rev. Dennis.
Wed 29th	10:15am	Morning Prayer.
Thu 30th	2:15pm	Ladies Fellowship - In the Christian Centre. For more information speak to Mary or Margaret P.

Dates for your diary

Date	Time	Event
Sat 2nd	10:00am	Prayer for Israel & the Middle East - In the Church 10:00am-11:00am.
Sun 3rd	10:00am	Word & Worship Service - We will be sharing the Word and Testimony. If you would like to contribute to the service with a word or a testimony please speak to Rev. Dozie as soon as possible.
Tue 5th	9:45am - 11:30am	Little Rascals Toddler Group - The group meets in St. Paul's Christian Centre from 9:45am to 11:30am each Tuesday in school term time.
Wed 6th	10:15am	Holy Communion BCP (Book of Common Prayer) - Rev. Dozie Moneme.
Thu 7th	2:15pm	Ladies Fellowship - In the Christian Centre. For more information speak to Mary or Margaret P.
Sun 10th	10:00am	Worship & Communion Service - Rev. Dozie Moneme. Speaker: Andrew Day. Ephesians Session 4 Ch 3 Verse 14 - Ch 4 Verse 16.

quest a form from Penny (our treasurer), or [download one from our website](#). Just fill it in and give (or post) it to her or phone her for more details or to arrange for your form to be collected.

If you use online banking, you can give to St. Paul's by **Bank Transfer or by setting up a Standing Order**. Details of the church bank account are:

Bank: **NatWest Newport Isle of Wight** Account Name: **Parochial Church Council of St. Pauls, Barton Parish** Sort Code: **54-10-34** Account Number: **92513263**

If you are a tax payer and have not filled in a **Gift Aid Form** these are available from Penny or [on the church website](#).

PCC News

The PCC met on Wednesday (in person and with coffee and biscuits!) here are some updates:

Youth and Children's work

Following an encouraging meeting with volunteers who have offered to help Kathy last Sunday, it has been agreed to re-commence our work with younger children. On Sundays there will be provision in the Christian Centre for children (3 years and up). Parents will be asked to bring them to the Centre just before 10:00am and to collect them at 10:45am to join the service in the church. We have a small number of our congregation who are prepared to assist with crossing the road as the children and parents return. If you would be willing to offer a few minutes on a Sunday to help with this please speak to Rev. Dozie.

We would like to be able to offer **Youth Ministry** for older children and it is proposed that this would take

place on Thursday evenings at 7:30pm in the Christian Centre. To facilitate this we would need four volunteers to assist. If you would be willing to help in any way please speak to Rev. Dozie.

With regard to further pursuing the appointment of a **Youth & Families Worker** at this time, it was agreed to pause and reflect on this. All of the above actions will be reviewed in 3 months.

Buildings and Facilities

In order to better assess the condition of our roof, tower and spire (as well as paying a visit to the resident buddleia!) we will be commissioning an aerial survey using a drone. This should give us a better idea of the condition and how we might undertake any necessary works. In the longer term it was also agreed to proceed with the most urgent work to the building following our recent quinquennial inspection which would be to replace two of the failing windows on the south (road) side of the building.

Christian Centre

It was agreed to undertake boundary wall repairs and install new fencing.

The next PCC meeting will be on 17th November.

