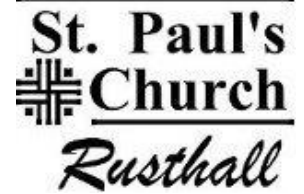


Sunday 2nd February 2020
Candlemas
The Presentation of Christ in the Temple



We wish you a very warm welcome today to St Paul's Church, especially if you are a visitor or a newcomer, please introduce yourself to the minister or sidesmen.

Collect for the Week

Lord Jesus Christ,
light of the nations and glory of Israel:
make your home among us,
and present us pure and holy
to your heavenly Father,
your God, and our God.

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- 8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)** – The Vicar
The service begins on page 237. The readings begin on page 73
The Affirmation of Faith is on page 240.
- 10.00 am Festival Eucharist (CW)**
President & Preacher: The Vicar, Minister: Tim Cripps
Please see separate booklet
- 10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre**
Leader: Daphne Pilcher, Link: Laura Jorden
Special service details will be on the screen
- 6.30 pm 6.30 pm Choral Evensong (BCP)**
Minister & Preacher: Tim Cripps
Introit Anthem: When to the temple Mary went - Ecard
Hymn: NEH 157 Hail to the Lord who comes
Responses: Reading
Psalm: 12 (BCP page 358)
1st Reading: Haggai 2.1-9 Ginette di Palma
Magnificat: Sumsion in A
2nd Reading: John 2.18-22 May Graves
Nunc Dimittis: Sumsion in A
Anthem: Strengthen ye the weak hands - Harris
Hymn: NEH 376 I heard the voice of Jesus say
Hymn: NEH 475 Ye holy angels bright
Amen: Rutter

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

MONDAY 3rd *Anskar, Archbishop of Hamburg, Missionary in Denmark and Sweden 885*

8.30 am The Vicar at school Collective Worship

9.00 am Morning Prayer at the Parish Church – Tim Cripps

TUESDAY 4th *Gilbert of Semprington, Founder of the Gilbertine Order, 1189*
Parish Office closed

WEDNESDAY 5th *Agatha, Sicilian Virgin and Martyr*

9.00 am Morning Prayer at the Church Centre – The Vicar

10.30 am Julian Group

THURSDAY 6th *The Martyrs of Japan, 1597*

11.45 am Holy Communion at the Church Centre – The Vicar

11.30 for 12.30 Lunch Club at the Church Centre

2.30 pm Funeral of Alistair Padley at the Parish Church

FRIDAY 7th

6.30 pm Junior Choir Practice

7.30 pm Senior Choir Practice

SATURDAY 8th

The Choir sing Evensong at Peterborough Cathedral

NEXT SUNDAY 9th February

Education Sunday

The Third Sunday before Lent

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) – The Vicar

10.00 am Joint Education Sunday Service at the Church Centre

4.00 pm Taizé Service at the Church Centre – The Vicar

6.30 pm Parish Eucharist (CW) – The Vicar



NEWS and NOTES

Tea and Cake

This evening at 6.30 pm we have our service of Choral Evensong. The Choir warmly invite you to the Lodge to join them for refreshments, at 5.30 pm before the service. It would be lovely to see some of you there following our rehearsal.

Julian Group

The first Julian Group of 2020 is to take place this Wednesday 5th February 10.30 am at 35 Westwood Road. Pat Stevens will lead a short meditation with music, this is followed by 20 minutes of silence. The group meets on the first Wednesday of each month and offers a warm welcome to all who attend. The time together is completed with coffee and a time to share. For more information ring Pat on 529187.

Pew Collections 9th February

Next week we celebrate Education Sunday. A collection will be taken for St Paul's School, Rusthall. Traditionally we have paid for the bus to take year 6 children to Rochester. This year the cost will be £450 for the bus and £2.50 per child for the visit to the Cathedral. Please give generously to help cover costs. Thank you.

Family Service Songs of Praise – 8th March

If you would like a favourite hymn included in that service please let me know. If you could also let me have a few words about why you want that particular hymn that would be helpful too. Contact details Jean Kerr :- jeak4000@gmail.com or 07905 758799 or 01892 524326

All requests by February 3rd please.

Safeguarding

Please would everyone in any role at church kindly undertake online safeguarding training at the level of Basic Awareness (C0), which is available at: www.rochester.anglican.org/resources/safeguarding/ On completion, please send certificates to: office@stpaulsrusthall.org.uk

Many roles require the next level of training (C1). For guidance please see the Rochester website above, or speak to May Graves – 07792 511296.

Thank you.

Message from St Peter's, Mabelreign

“Good to hear from you. We are very well here in Zimbabwe only that the political and economic environment is not that good. Please do continue to pray for the Church in Zimbabwe as well as the nation at large. As St Peter's family, God has been faithful to us, as we have just completed the construction of our building for the Junior Church, The dedication and official Opening of that building is on the 16th of February 2020. Thank you very much for the magazine that we have received for December 2019 and January 2020. You are doing great work and may God be with you.

Greetings to the St Paul's Family,
Every Blessing, Fr Noel”.

Education Sunday

We look forward to welcoming students from our local schools and their families to our 10 am service next week. It is a joint service at the Parish Church, followed by refreshments in the Lodge afterwards.

Change to Rota for 9th February

Please note that next Sunday evening's service is now Parish Eucharist (CW), as the morning service is a Joint Service for Education Sunday.

Safe Travels

Next Saturday the Choir set off for Peterborough to sing evensong in the afternoon. We wish them a safe journey and a enjoyable time singing in such a wonderful setting.