

LOOKING AHEAD

Daily Office Monday, Wednesday & Saturday 8am & 5.30pm.
Tuesday 8am & 4.30pm

Sun 21 January 2018 10am	Mass for the Conversion of Paul
Tues 23 January 2017 12-4pm	Tuesday Sale
Thurs 25 January 2015 5pm	Service for receiving into church the body of Fr. John Rowe
Fri 26 January 2018 9.30am	Little Lights
Fri 26 January 2018 2pm	Requiem Mass for Fr. John Rowe
Sun 28 January 2018 10am	Mass for Candlemas
Tues 30 January 2017 12-4pm	Tuesday Sale
Fri 2 February 2018 9.30am	Little Lights
Sun 4 February 2018 10am	Mass for the 2 nd Sunday before Lent
Sun 4 February 2018 7pm	Young People's Service
Tues 6 February 2018 12-4pm	Tuesday Sale
Fri 9 February 2018 9.30am	Little Lights
Sun 11 February 2018 10am	Mass for Sunday next before Lent
Tues 13 February 2018 12-4pm	Tuesday Sale
Wed 14 February 2018 7pm	Ash Wednesday
Fri 16 February 2018 9.30am	Little Lights
Sun 18 February 2018 10am	Mass for the 1 st Sunday in Lent
Tues 20 February 2018 12-4pm	Tuesday Sale
Fri 23 February 2018 9.30am	Little Lights
Sun 25 February 2018 10am	Mass for the 2 nd Sunday in Lent
Tues 27 February 2018 12-4pm	Tuesday Sale
Fri 2 March 2018 9.30am	Little Lights
Sun 4 March 2018 10am	Mass for the 3 rd Sunday in Lent

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Next Sunday: 28th January 2018

Mass for the Presentation of Christ in the Temple
(Candlemas)

Hymns: 395 448 53 284

Malachi 3:1-5 Safia Hebrews 2:14-end Julian

Psalm 24 Luke 2:22-40

Intercessions: Julian

Chalice: Nikki Sidespeople: Helen & Ayo/Cahty

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Churchwarden: Safia Dimsdale

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✠ **THE PARISH OF
ST. PAUL WITH ST. LUKE** ✠
BOW COMMON



Sunday 21st January 2018
Mass for the Conversion of St Paul

Hymns: Sheet Sheet 463 494

Acts 9:1-22 Mary S **Galatians 1:11-16** Aimee

Psalm 67 **Matthew 19:27-30**

Intercessions: Julian

Chalice: Safia **Sidespeople:** Hendrika & Mary S

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Edmond Brien, William Jarvis, Naomi Harris, Esther Christian, Margaret Diss, John Christian, Rachel Christian, Isobel Coates, Ray Williams, Charlie Berry, Dawn Smith, Sharni Josephine, Nojahan Hamid, Mark Emmerson, Jane Keefe, Audrey Mamei, Blesie Smith, Kenneth Lambert, Joseph Agatha, Mary McKenzie, Troy Fellows, Simon Gordon Clark, Caroline Smith

For our link church of **Santa Monica, Maputo** in Mozambique

For our church School – **St Paul with St Luke**

January Year's Mind: Canon Amos Cole-Wilson, Patsy Roberts, Peter Cook, Monica George

R.I.P. Fr. John Rowe

Our celebration of the 40 days of the Christmas season is now approaching the end, and always within it, we celebrate an important day for our church – the Feast day of one of the two Patron Saints of our parish, **St Paul**.

Today we celebrate, albeit a few days early, that life-changing event that transformed Saul from being the persecutor of the first Christians to Paul, the apostle, whose influence on the Church has perhaps been greater than any other follower of Jesus.

To mark our celebration of this event, there is a **special hymn sheet for the first two hymns**.

We also welcome Aimee as our preacher this morning.

Funeral Arrangements for Fr. John Rowe.

The funeral of John Rowe will be on **Friday 26 January 2018**. There will be a service at **2pm at St. Paul's Bow Common, St. Paul's Way, London E3 4AR**. The committal will be at **3.30pm at East London Crematorium, Grange Road, Plaistow, London E13 0HB**, but if you prefer you can stay at the church where we will return afterwards for refreshments at around 4.30pm. During this time people will have the opportunity to share memories of John.

Flowers are welcome (to Co-op Funeralcare, 62 Chrisp Street, Poplar, London E14 6LR) but please don't feel any obligation.

John's body will be received into church at **5pm on Thursday 25 January** with a short service followed by a vigil until 8pm. Members of the congregation are invited to attend.

The Christmas Season ends for us next week with our Sunday celebration of the Feast of the **Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)**.

We **meet at the beginning of the service in the church hall** for the **blessing of candles** and then we **process** to the Crib for the last time to take the Child to the 'Temple' of our High Altar, as Mary and Joseph took the Child Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem on this day to present him to God as their first born.

Please arrive early so as not to miss this very moving part of our worship.

Ash Wednesday is just 3 weeks away and Palm Crosses are needed – Could you bring back your palm crosses which were blessed last year, so I can use them to make ash for Ash Wednesday.

I will need them by next Sunday 31 January 2016 at the latest.

PCC Highlights

- **New Step**: Course begins at 7pm in Church Hall Monday 29th January. Special Prayers for our candidates will be offered during our service on Sunday 28th January.
- **Foodbank Report**: Aimee presented her findings to the PCC.
- **APCM**: PCC agreed **15th April** as the date of our **APCM** so do please put it in your diary. **The Annual Report with accounts will be presented to the PCC on Wednesday 21 March 2017. All reports** (Finance, Sunday School, Youth Group, Little Lights, Tuesday Sale, Safeguarding, Health & Safety, etc **need to be completed** and given to **Mthr. Bernadette by Wednesday 28 February.**
- **Lent Activities**: Agreed the following – **Lent Pots. Lent Hunger Lunch Sunday 4 March** – please put date in diary. **Quiet Day at St Saviours** – date to be arranged. **Prayers Around the Cross** led by Julian – Fridays in Lent. **Lent Talks** – speakers to be invited.
- **Electrical Inspection Report** – received from CES. A number of repairs need to be undertaken.
- **Quinquennial Report** – awaiting Kelly's report.
- **Near Neighbours Project**: We are awaiting outcome of funding for a project that we are doing in partnership with St Paul's Way Medical Centre. The aim of the project is to produce a map of the area highlighting what's important to local people. First meeting this week. Aim to engage the local community in this project.
- **John's Funeral**: Safia leading on organising refreshments. Debbie assistant lead. Volunteers needed.
- **Rosary Group**: will be relaunched after Easter and will be at 7pm in the vicarage on the first Friday of the month.