

# LOOKING AHEAD – Zoom Services

Daily Office: Monday, Tuesday, Friday: 8am & 5.30pm

Saturday: 8.30am & 5.30pm

Sunday 24 January 10am	Mass for the Conversion of Paul
Sunday 31 January 10am	Mass for Candlemas (Presentation of Christ in the Temple)
Sunday 7 February 10am	Mass for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent
Sunday 14 February 10am	Mass for the Sunday next before Lent
Wednesday 17 February 7pm	Mass for Ash Wednesday
Sunday 21 February 10am	Mass for Lent 1
Sunday 28 February 10am	Mass for Lent 2
Sunday 7 March 10am	Mass for Lent 3

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## Next Sunday: 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021

### Mass for the Presentation of Christ in the Temple

**Zoom Welcomer & Screen Sharer:** Boikanyo

**Malachi 3:1-5:** Nikki **Gospel: Luke 2:22-40**

**Intercessions:** Julian

*Vicar* Mother Bernadette Hegarty 020 3774 6833

*Churchwarden:* Julian Bream 07818 048048



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**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2021**  
**Mass for the Conversion of St Paul**

**Zoom Welcomer & Screen Sharer:** Safia

**Acts 9:1-22:** Ed **Gospel: Matthew 19:27-30**  
**Intercessions:** Cathy

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Esther Christian, John Christian, Rachel Christian,  
Janice Sutherland, Audrey Mamei, Marek Machoy, Ewa Machoy,  
Matthew Cavil, Eileen Rosser, Liz Murray,  
Isabel Rowe, Rosalie Taylor, Virginia Santos, Martin Hegarty,  
Faith Hegarty, Nicole Youens

For our link church of **Santa Monica, Maputo** in Mozambique  
And for our church school **St Paul with St Luke Primary School**

**January's Year Mind:** Canon Amos Cole-Wilson, Patsy Roberts,  
Peter Cook, Monica George  
**R.I.P.:** Cathy Clarke

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 day 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.

Now that we have entered 'lockdown, we will continue to offer all our services on-line on Zoom until further notice.

This situation was discussed at our PCC meeting earlier this week and it was decided to continue to offer on-line services until Easter. The PCC will review the situation when it next meets in March.



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

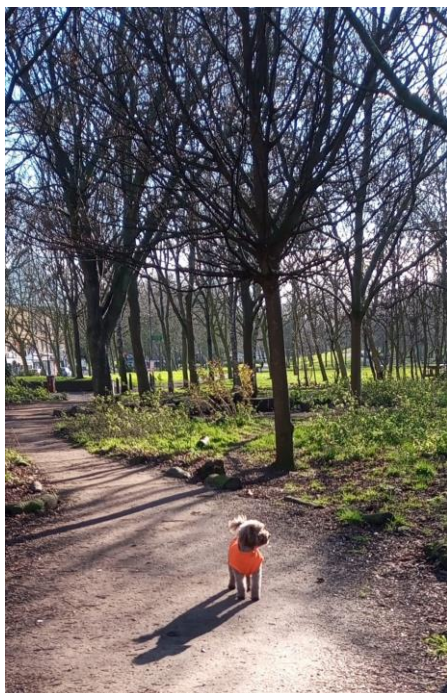
This year, it will be a little different as we mark the occasion on Zoom, **so you will need to bring a candle along to the service.**

The service will begin a virtual blessing of candles and then I will go 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. This will be followed by a short devotion.



The season of Lent will soon be upon us starting on Wednesday 17 February – **Ash Wednesday**. If any of you would like to start Lent with an act of penitence – 'being ashed' as they say, then do let me know and I will send you some 'ash' so that you can participate in our virtual **Ash Wednesday Service at 7pm on Wednesday 17 February**.

## Lockdown photos – We have some amazing shots this week!



Thank you Hendrika for these lovely shots of the promise of spring and of course Reggie who is posing so wonderfully.

Thank you Elaine for your amazing photos of the wildlife on our canals.



And thank you Jeanette for these stunning photos of the light festival at Canary Wharf which is on until 27<sup>th</sup> February.

