Sunday 28th January 2024 Fourth Sunday of Epiphany PATRONAL FESTIVAL



Collect for the Week

God of heaven,
you send the gospel to the ends of the earth
and your messengers to every nation:
send your Holy Spirit to transform us
by the good news of everlasting life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

President & Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Joint Patronal Festival Eucharist (CW)

President: The Vicar, Minister & Preacher: Rev. Nicholas Burton

Please see separate booklet

6.30 pm Choral Evensong (BCP) The service begins on page 16

Minister: The Vicar

Hymn: NEH 490 Judge eternal, throned in splendour

Responses: Sanders

Psalm: 138 (BCP page 524)

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 3.1-20 (NRSV page 264) Cherry Mead

Magnificat: Stanford in G

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 14.12-20 (NRSV page 191) Debbie Millar

Nunc Dimittis: Stanford in G

Anthem: Strengthen ye the weak hands - Harris Hymn: NEH 466 Thou whose almighty word

Amen: Belfast Amen - Stopford

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 29th

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

TUESDAY 30th Charles, King and Martyr, 1649

Parish Office closed

WEDNESDAY 31st John Boscoe, Priest, Founder of the Salesian Teaching Order, 1888

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

9.00 am Play Time at St Paul's at the Church Centre

THURSDAY 1st February Brigid, Abbess of Kildare, c. 525

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

12.30 pm Lunch club at the Church Centre

FRIDAY 2nd THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

12.30 pm Community Larder at the Church Centre

6.30 pm Junior Choir practice

7.30 pm Full Choir practice

Saturday 3rd Anskar, Archbishop of Hamburg, Missionary in Denmark & Sweden, 865 Scouts overnight at the Church Centre

NEXT SUNDAY 4th February

The Second Sunday before Lent Candlemas

8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

President and Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Eucharist (CW)

President: The Vicar, Minister and Preacher: Rev. Nicholas Burton

10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre + Zoom

Lead: Wendy Anderson, Link: Chris Bassett

6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)

Minister & Preacher: The Vicar

NEWS AND NOTES

From The Vicarage

Greetings to you all and a very warm welcome to our services today - BCP Communion, Joint Patronal Festival and Choral Evensong. It is really good that we can be together today as we give thanks for the ministry of St Paul, our Patron Saint, and commend our ministry afresh to Almighty God for his continual guidance and equipping. As we worship God together and continue to serve his people, may the fruits of the Holy Spirit be evident in our lives.

Ronnie

Welcome Back

It is wonderful to have Ronnie back with us after his break and great that we can share our Joint Patronal Service under his ministry. We are grateful to all those who have helped in his absence.

Advance Notice

The Tunbridge Wells Half Marathon is taking place on Sunday 18th February Beginning at 9 am and ending at 12 noon. There will be road/junction closures which will affect travel to and from Church between 9.45 am and 11.30 am. Please check signs nearer the time.

Please do come and join us in the Lodge from 9 am if you are planning to come to Church early, we will be serving coffee and croissants.



Confirmation 2024

This year confirmations in our area will be held at St Mark's Church on Sunday 12th May at 10 am. Please see Ronnie if you would like to be confirmed or have any questions.



Altar Flowers at the Parish Church

The altar flowers are given today
By Sue Willby
In loving memory of her Mother
Edna Adlam

Pilgrimage to Canterbury Cathedral

St. Paul's Rusthall is organising, during Lent, a one day pilgrimage to Canterbury Cathedral. The Pilgrimage, organised and led by Tim Harrold, will be on Saturday 2nd March. The walk is approximately 3.7 km long and is accessible by all, both the young and the not-so-young alike. The day will conclude with a meal of fellowship for the weary pilgrims followed by attending choral evensong in the cathedral. For more information, including details of the places of interest the pilgrims will be visiting and to register your interest in taking part, please contact Tim Harrold on 07413 805814 or by email at pilgrimage@stpaulsrusthall.org.uk.

Play Time at St Paul's

We welcomed many new faces this Wednesday, the lemon cake went down very well. There is now an open Facebook page "Play Time at St Paul's" to keep people up to date with information. If you would like to help on a Wednesday please get in touch.

For details please contact - Liz on 07840 837968 or Annie on 07730 771818.

Youth Council

Future meetings:

Thursday February 1st - 'Managing your money wisely'

Thursday March 7th - Cooking on a Budget - Fajitas for supper!

We also remain focused on the challenge of obtaining a crossing on the A264 and preparing for our Bees!

All meetings are held in The Lodge on the first Thursday of the month between 6 and 7.30 pm. All years 7-13 (ages 11 to 18) are very welcome

Please see Angela Culley or Jean Kerr if you would like any further details

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