

Sunday 30th March 2025

The Fourth Sunday of Lent

Mothering Sunday

St. Paul's
Church
Rusthall



Collect for the Week

Merciful Lord,
you know our struggle to serve you:
when sin spoils our lives
and overshadows our hearts,
come to our aid
and turn us back to you again;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

President & Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Joint Parade Service for Mothering Sunday

Ministers: The Vicar, Rev. Nicholas Burton & Daphne Pilcher,
Speaker: Bradley Johnson

6.30 pm Eucharist (CW)

President & Preacher: The Vicar

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 31st March *John Donne, Priest, Poet, 1631*

9.00 am Morning Prayer at the Parish Church – The Vicar

9.30 am School Easter Service- The Vicar

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

1.45 pm Funeral at the Crematorium of Wendy Clifford – The Vicar

TUESDAY 1st April *Frederick Denison, Priest, Teacher of the Faith, 1872*

Parish Office closed

10.00 am Lent Group at the Church Centre

WEDNESDAY 2nd

9.00 am Morning Prayer at the Church Centre – The Vicar

10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer

9.00 am Playtime at St Paul's

11.00 am Julian Meeting 30 Chancellor House

11.30 am Funeral of Pat Edwards with the Choir

THURSDAY 3rd

- 10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
11.30 am Holy Communion at the Church Centre – The Vicar
11.30 am Holy Communion to Mount Ephraim – Tim Harrold
12.30 pm Lunch Club at the Church Centre
1.00 pm Memorial Service for Andrew Reid with the Choir
6.00 pm Youth Council meet in the Lodge
7.30 pm Lent group in the Lodge

FRIDAY 4th *Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, 397*

- 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 5th

10am-4pm Choristers Café in the Lodge

NEXT SUNDAY 6th April

The Fifth Sunday of Lent – Passiontide begins

8.00 am Holy Communion

President & Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Eucharist (CW)

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

10am-4pm Choristers Café in the Lodge

10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre + Zoom

Lead: Tim Harrold, Link: Mary Holmes

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, the Fourth Sunday of Lent. Special welcome to 10:00 am joint family and Parade service at the Parish Church as we celebrate Mothering Sunday. Thanks to the leaders and members of Rusthall Scout group, especially Bradley Johnson who is giving the address for this service. Also a big thank you to the Flower Team for making the beautiful posies

As we draw closer to Passiontide, may we all feel refreshed and reenergised to continue our Lenten journey with Christ in the company of one another.

New Electoral Roll (Full Revision)

Please return your completed Electoral Roll forms as soon as possible.
Thank you – Ginette.

Julian Meeting Wednesday 3rd April at 11 am....

at Ann Loxley's, 30 Chancellor House. Please let Ann know if you are planning to come. Anyone interested in a time of reflection and silence is very welcome.

Treasurer for the Parish

We are urgently looking for someone to take on this role. This can be a shared position with two or more people taking on different aspects of the job. Full training and support will be given. If you feel this is something you could do as part of the ministry of St Paul's please speak with Ronnie.

Church Youth Council

Our next meeting is this Thursday, 3rd April at 6 pm in The Lodge. We will be discussing Personal Safety with Sarah our Community Police Officer. We are planning a hanging basket/window box competition in aid of our bees. This will be judged on Saturday the 5th July and is open to all. Please see the posters with QR code to register your entry (£1 per entry).

Help Needed to Assemble the Flowers for the 175 Banner in the Lodge

Drop-in sessions to help are on Friday 4th April & Monday/Tuesday 7/8 and 14/15 April 9.30 - 4. Please come along if you have even an hour to spare anytime. Thank you - jeankerr@stpaulsrusthall.org.uk

London Pilgrimage 2025

18 people have so far signed up for this year's pilgrimage. There are still spaces available for those who would like to join us. Details of the itinerary, a map showing our route, and a list of all the Churches and places of interest we will be visiting can be viewed at <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/16960/page/93196/view/>
If you have any questions about the Pilgrimage please contact Tim Harrold.

Family Service Children's Group

There will not be a children's group on the following dates - 6th April, 13th April or 20th April. Children of all ages are of course welcome at all services when the group isn't running. We are terribly short of leaders and would love to recruit some more! If you feel you would like to help with our children's group please do get in touch with Mary Holmes: 07881371684 or mary@mandmcreative.co.uk



Altar Flowers at the Parish Church

The altar flowers are given today
by the Flower Team with love for
Mothers everywhere
and those no longer with us

Road Closure

Major York's Road is closed from the 5th until the 20th of April at the junction of Fir Tree Road and Hungershall Park.

Online Donations

It is now possible to make online donations directly in support of a range of St. Paul's initiatives:

The Choir's 2025 trip to Normandy; our 175th Anniversary fundraising;

The Youth Council and their bees in the churchyard; The ministry of St Paul's.

To access online donations please go to:

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/16960> or scan the QR Code below.

Every donation you are able to make is appreciated. Thank you.



Easter Lilies

If you wish to give a lily/lilies please complete the form below and send to the Parish Office/Ginette. The minimum donation is £6 per lily. You can pay cash, by cheque (made payable to "St Paul's Church Rusthall") or by Bacs – Lloyds 30-98-77 a/c 00680470 reference "lilies". The names to be remembered will be placed on the altar for the Easter period.

EASTER LILIES 2025

Name of Person/s to be remembered:

Name of Sponsor: _____

Address: _____

Telephone number: _____

Donation of £ cash..... cheque..... BACS...../ (please tick)

Signed: _____ Date: _____



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