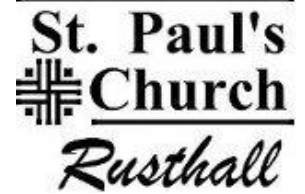


Sunday 19th April 2026

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



Collect for the Week

Risen Christ,
you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life,
and fill us with your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.

8.00 am **Holy Communion (BCP) with hymns**
President and Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am **Parish Eucharist (CW)**
President and Preacher: The Vicar
Minister: Daphne Pilcher

10.00 am **Family Service at the Church Centre + zoom**
Lead: Daphne Pollard Link: Chris Bassett

Hymns: Give Thanks
 Lead me Heavenly Father lead me
 The Lord's my Shepherd
 Go Forth and Tell

Readings: Luke 24 v 613-35 (NIV Page 1061)

6.30 pm **Choral Evensong (BCP)** Minister: Tim Harrold

Introit: This joyful Eastertide arranged Ledger
Hymn: NEH 124 Ye choirs of new Jerusalem
Responses: Sanders
Psalm: 99
1st Reading: Haggai 1. 13 - 2. 9 Suzie Toombs
Magnificat: Noble in B minor
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 3. 10 -17 Rosie Holder
Nunc Dimittis: Noble in B minor
Anthem: O pray for the peace of Jerusalem - Howells
Hymn: NEH 486 We have a gospel to proclaim
Amen: Rutter

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 20th April

10.00am Church Centre open for private prayer

TUESDAY 21st

Anselm, Abbot of Le Bec. Archbishop of Canterbury, teacher of the faith 1109

Parish Office closed

WEDNESDAY 22nd

9.00 am **Morning prayer at the Church Centre – Tim Harrold**

9.00 am Playtime at St Paul's

10.00 am Church Centre open for private prayer

THURSDAY 23rd *George, martyr, patron of England circa 304*

10.00 am Church Centre open for private prayer

12.30 pm Lunch Club at the Church Centre

FRIDAY 24th

Mellitus, Bishop of London, first bishop at St Paul's, 624

Seven Martyrs of the Melanesian Brotherhood, Solomon Islands 2003

10.00 am Church Centre open for private prayer

12.30 pm Community Larder at the Church Centre

6.30 pm Junior Choir practise

7.30 pm Full Choir practise

SATURDAY 25th

10.00 am – 4.00 pm Choristers Café

NEXT SUNDAY 26th April 2026

Fourth Sunday of Easter

NO 8.00 AM SERVICE

10.00 am **Matins**

Minister: Tim Harrold Preacher: Daphne Pilcher

10.00 am **Family Service with Holy Communion at the Church Centre + Zoom**

Lead: Reverend Nicholas Burton Link: Rosemary Romano

10.00 am – 4.00 pm Choristers Café

4.00 pm **Taizé at the Church Centre** – Tim Harrold

6.30 pm **Parish Eucharist (CW)**

President: Reverend Nicholas Burton

Minister and Preacher: Tim Harrold

NEWS AND NOTES

The Vicarage

Easter greetings and a warm welcome to our services today, the Third Sunday of Easter. As we continue to rejoice in the resurrection of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, I pray that we will be re-energised through our worship and willingly serve one another.

Notice

Please be advised, that for the next two weeks, there will be no 8.00 am service on Sunday and no Holy Communion at the Church Centre on Thursday at 11.30 am.

Service at the Church Centre

If anyone is interested in operating Zoom during Family Service, even on a very occasional basis, please get in touch with Susan Powley via the Parish Office. Thank you.

APCM

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will take place at the Church Centre at 7.45 pm on Tuesday 12th May 2026. Papers for this meeting will be circulated in due course. During the meeting we will be looking to elect Church Wardens, Deputy Wardens, members to the PCC and members of the Deanery Synod. If you are interested to serve in of these roles please contact Ronnie, May or Chris Dobson. Nomination forms are available at the Parish Church and Church Centre.

YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOU!

We are looking for someone to serve as Secretary of the Parochial Church Council (PCC). The role of the Secretary is to:

1. Take the Minutes at the PCC meetings and circulate them to the PCC.
2. Prepare the agenda with the Vicar for the PCC meetings.
3. Prepare and distribute documents for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and take minutes for the meeting.
4. Act as the 'official' liaison between the Parish and The Diocese of Rochester.

The PCC meets for at most two hours on a 6/7 - week cycle. Please speak to Ronnie, May or Chris Dobson if you are interested to serve as the PCC Secretary.

CAN YOU HELP?

Following a recent strategy meeting the church is looking for the following:

1. A co-ordinator to mastermind the Annual Church Fayre
2. Someone to co-ordinate our marketing strategy
3. A St. Paul's Alumni co-ordinator to reach out to St. Paul's Alumni and friends, local, national and International.

If you are interested in any of these roles, please contact either:
Angela Culley. 07779098026 or culley.angela@yahoo.com
Tim Harrold, Lay Minister, 07413805814 or finance@stpaulsrusthall.org.uk
Angela

5 STARS on Eventbrite

Following the amazing performance of Messiah, we now have a 5-star rating on Eventbrite. If you booked your tickets through that platform, please do give us a rating so that we can attract even more people for our future events. Many thanks to everyone for supporting what was a truly wonderful evening.

EXCITING NEWS - "I am Mark" Production

It is with great excitement and anticipation that we can announce that 2026 will see an inaugural Shirley Barter Memorial Production. On 18th July we will be presenting "I am Mark", a daring new staging of the Gospel of Mark. Re-enacted by one person, "I am Mark" takes us through all the stories and drama in Mark's Gospel and presents it in the same way that the very first Christians would have experienced it. Performed in front of sell out audiences at both Rochester Cathedral and Edinburgh Fringe Festival, this is an event not to be missed. Tickets are now on sale via our website. See posters in The Lodge, Church and Church Centre for details. We expect tickets to sell quickly so please make sure you book yours soon.

Playtime at St Paul's

This hugely popular playgroup held at St Paul's Church Centre, Rusthall, meets every Wednesday morning, from 9 am to 11 am and also opens in the school holidays. They are actively looking for more volunteers to help run this wonderful club. The playgroup caters for babies, toddlers and preschoolers in term time whilst during the holidays, children up to Year 7 are welcome. If you are interested in lending a hand and require further information, please contact Liz Mankelow on 07840 837968 or Helen at the Parish Office.



The Altar flowers are given today in loving
memory of Shirley Barter.
With love from her family, Bill, Hugh,
Sarah and David.

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