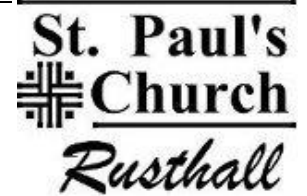


# Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026

## TRINITY SUNDAY



### Collect for the Week

Holy God  
Faithful and unchanging:  
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,  
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,  
that we may truly worship you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
One God, now and for ever.

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- 8.00 am**      **Holy Communion (BCP)**  
President and Preacher: The Vicar
- 10.00 am**      **Eucharist (CW)**  
President and Preacher: The Vicar  
Minister: Daphne Pilcher  
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- 10.00 am**      **Family Service at the Church Centre + Zoom**  
Lead: Tim Harrold      Link: Karen Miller  
Theme: 'Sent: With you always'  
Hymns: The Spirit Lives to set us Free  
How Wonderful, How Glorious  
God Forgave My Sin  
How Lovely on the Mountain  
Reading: Matthew 28. 16 – 20 (NIV page 1000)
- 6.30 pm**      **Evensong (BCP)**  
Minister and Preacher: The Vicar
- Hymn: NEH 343 Bright the vision that delighted  
Psalm: 147 verses 1 – 11  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 6. 1 - 8      Mione Palmer  
Magnificat: D  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: John 16. 5 – 15      Rosie Holder  
Nunc Dimittis: D  
Anthem: I saw the Lord - Stainer  
Hymn: NEH 146 Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Amen: 1

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**MONDAY 1<sup>st</sup> June** *The Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth*

9.00 am **Morning prayer at the Parish Church with the Vicar**  
10.00 am Church Centre open for private prayer

**TUESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup>** Parish Office Closed

**WEDNESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup>** *The Martyrs of Uganda 1885 – 7, 1977*

9.00 am **Morning prayer at the Church Centre – Tim Harrold**  
9.00 am Playtime at St Paul's, Church Centre  
10.00 am Church Centre open for private prayer

**THURSDAY 4<sup>th</sup>** *Day of Thanksgiving for Holy Communion (Corpus Christi)*

10.00 am Church Centre open for private prayer  
11.30 am **Holy Communion at the Church Centre with the Vicar**  
12.30 pm Lunch Club at the Church Centre  
6.00 pm The Church Youth Council Meeting at The Lodge

**FRIDAY 5<sup>th</sup>**

Boniface (Wynfrith) of Crediton, bishop, apostle of Germany, martyr, 754

10.00 am 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 6<sup>th</sup>** Ini Kopuria, founder of the Melanesian Brotherhood, 1945

10.00 am – 4.00 pm Choristers Café

**NEXT SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

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

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

10.00 am **Family Service at the Church Centre with + Zoom**  
Lead: Susan Powley Link: Karen Miler

10.00 am – 4.00 pm Choristers Café

6.30 pm **Evensong (BCP)** Minister and Preacher: The Vicar

## NEWS AND NOTES

### From the Vicarage

Greetings and a warm welcome to our services today, the feast of Trinity, when we recognise and celebrate the Almighty God revealing himself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. As we worship together today, I pray that we may individually and collectively experience the Father's love, the Son's compassion and the continual companionship of the Holy Spirit.

### RACE FOR LIFE

Wendy Anderson is walking the Race for Life 3k route with her granddaughter, Elizabeth on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2026. If you would like to sponsor Wendy, forms are in both churches.

### Events

The St Andrews Madrigal Group are performing at the Parish Church on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30 pm in aid of the Organ Renovation Fund. Please come along and support this wonderful Group.

### Living Hope Group

The Living Hope Group has started up again following its Easter break. Over the next few months leading up to Advent we will be exploring Celtic Spirituality which promises to be both interesting and rewarding. Living Hope meets on the second Thursday of every month at 7.30pm in the Sanctuary and all are welcome. If you would like to join us or would like there to be a daytime meeting, please contact Tim Harrold on 07413 805814.

### St Paul's Youth Council

Our next meeting is this coming Thursday (June 4th) 6pm at The Lodge when Happy Valley will be full of the voices of young people as they embark on the much anticipated Happy Valley Treasure Trail. All want to lift the CYC trophy but only one group will be first in solving the puzzle! Members are invited to bring their friends and the evening is open to all children currently in Year 6 or of Secondary School age. Please don't feel shy we are a very friendly and inclusive group who love making new friends. Please contact Angela Culley (077 909 8026) or Jean Kerr ([stpauls.cyc@gmail.com](mailto:stpauls.cyc@gmail.com)) if you would like any more information or to hear more about what we do!

### BOOKS AND PUZZLES

We have new books and puzzles so please come and peruse our bookshelf in The Lodge

## **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, Chris Dobson or David Goodwin if you are interested to serve as the PCC Secretary.

## **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 18<sup>th</sup> 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.



The Altar flowers are given today  
today by Ginette – In loving memory of her  
Mum, Maureen.

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