



ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS



28th October 2021

Sunday Worship 31st October 2021

Fourth Sunday before Advent

08.00 BCP Holy Communion at St Paul's Scotforth Road

09:45 Service of Holy Communion at St Paul's Scotforth Road

11:15 Service of Holy Communion at
St Paul's Hala Worship Centre

Morning Prayer in church on Monday and Tuesday and by
telephone conference on Wednesdays – at 09.00.
Please contact Margaret Ives if you would like to join the telephone
conference.



***Worshipping God, Growing in Faith,
Serving the community***

A message from Reverend Rebecca:

As we approach the end of October the days get shorter and the weather gets colder. In the church year it's a time for reflection and for remembering. Our 9.45am Sunday service will use liturgy created from the Church of England for Black History Month and focus on the saints who have gone before us and inspire us in our faith. On 1st November at 6:30pm we gather together in St Paul's Scotforth Church to remember before God our loved ones who have died. We will thank God for all that they meant – and still mean – to us. We commend our loved ones to God's sustaining love, and affirm our faith in the God who supports us and give us courage and strength throughout our lives. This year we will focus on remembering using knitted forget-me-not flowers and lighting candles. In both services we will give thanks for our loved ones and those saints who have gone beside us and before us.

Our God is a God
who longs to be with us:
in our deepest places
in our sadness and tears.

Our God is a God
who holds us compassionately:
bringing us comfort,
sharing our pain.

Our God is like a rock:
unmoved from love,
firm beneath our feet.



FOR OUR PRAYERS

Our mission Partners: Stephen and Marit Impey managing Wycliffe Bible Translators Ethiopian work, the work of Global Link and MIND (Lancashire).

From our Parish prayer diary: UGGLE Lane, Lawson Close, Hibbert Terrace, Ashford Road, Ashford Close

From our Church prayer diary: All who work in education

Those who have asked for prayers for healing: Mary Wilson, Eunice Parkinson, Marion Corkill, Katherine McHale, Maureen Thorpe, Jacqueline Gothard, Rev Rebecca, Kath Beck, Val Gedge, Olive Jenkinson, Mollie Glover, James Outram

All who mourn: Annie Atkinson

Collect for 31st October 2021:

Compassionate God,

who sent Jesus Christ

to deliver us from all manner of injustices and inequalities,

create in us new hearts and enlarged visions,

to see the image of God in every person

irrespective of background, race and ethnicity.

May we be generous in our love of others

as we work towards ending misunderstanding, racism and

injustice; creating communities of human flourishing,

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Readings for 31st October 2021:

Deuteronomy 6.1-9

¹Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the ordinances—that the Lord your God charged me to teach you to observe in the land that you are about to cross into and occupy, ²so that you and your children and your children's children may fear the Lord your God all the days of your life, and keep all his decrees and his commandments that I am commanding you, so that your days may be long. ³Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you, and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has promised you. ⁴Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.* ⁵You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. ⁶Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. ⁷Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. ⁸Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem* on your forehead, ⁹and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Mark 12.28-34

²⁸ One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, 'Which commandment is the first of all?' ²⁹ Jesus answered, 'The first is, "Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; ³⁰you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength." ³¹The second is this, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." There is no other

commandment greater than these.’³² Then the scribe said to him, ‘You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that “he is one, and besides him there is no other”;³³ and “to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength”, and “to love one’s neighbour as oneself”,— this is much more important than all whole burnt-offerings and sacrifices.’³⁴ When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, ‘You are not far from the kingdom of God.’ After that no one dared to ask him any question.

Post Communion Prayer for 31st October 2021

Lord of heaven,
in this eucharist you have brought us near
to an innumerable company of angels
and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:
as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage
we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share
their joy in heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Readings for next Sunday:

**Jonah 3.1-5, 10; Psalm 62.5-end; Hebrews 9.24-end;
Mark 1.14-20**

Contactless Giving in Church is now available.

Our machine will be at the back of church so that on your way out, rather than giving a cash donation, you could consider giving by card.



People's Parade for Climate Action:



There will be a people's parade for climate action at Dalton Square from 13.00 this Saturday, 30th October; the day before COP 26 starts. A group from St Paul's and Hala will be joining the parade and will be leaving from church at 12.30. Please come along.

All Soul's Service on Monday 1st November at 6.30pm in Church:

November is traditionally a time of remembering, when we gather in church to think about those we have loved but see no longer, and then later in the month, we think of those who have died or been injured in active service. We will be reading out the names of people whose funerals we have taken in the last year. We hope you can join us and experience the love and peace of God at this special time of year.



Service Provision (8am & 9.45am) and Health and Safety:

- the church building will be sanitised before the start of each service;
- we have two seating options – the central aisles and side aisle (organ side) there is ‘open seating’ – please do sit anywhere you feel comfortable. The side aisle (as you come in by the font) is laid out so that you can choose to be socially distanced.
- You will be asked to use hand sanitiser on entering church.
- We encourage everyone to wear a mask whilst attending a service.
- You can pick up service materials on the way into the building from the table at the door; we ask that you return these to the table at the back on your way out.
- Our one-way system of movement around the church is still in place both for going up to take communion and entering and exiting the building. Please follow the direction of the steward or warden present. We will sign green cards at the back of church on the way out – please remember to get your card signed even if your child isn’t present attendance is based on parent and/or child.

Submissions for the Parish News:

The deadline each week is Tuesday at noon but we can always add contributions to the following week’s Parish News. We look forward to receiving your contributions and supporting each other in the Body of Christ during this time. Please email the parish office, leave a message on the answer machine for a telephone submission or post/leave an article for the Parish Office in the Parish Hall letterbox.

Children's Society Christmas Cards:

We haven't had any information from the Children's Society about their Christmas cards this year. However, we have found out how to order them online or from their catalogue.



The website is:

<https://www.charitycardshop.com/thechildrenssociety/>

Copies of the catalogue are available at the back of church, Hala and the office. Please order them direct yourselves.

Church Tower Appeal:



If you would like to make a donation but don't have access to the internet then you can send a cheque to the Parish Office, St Paul's Parish Hall, Scotforth Road, Lancaster, LA1 4TS – please write 'Tower Appeal' on the reverse of the cheque. Or if you contact us then we can let you have our bank account details to make a BACs transfer. Please tell your friends and family about our appeal. If you have any questions about how you can donate or the building project then please contact either Jayne or Tony via the Parish Office.

Word search:

As we're approaching Advent, a small seasonal word search.



ANGEL

ANTICIPATION

CANDLES

EMMANUEL

FOUR

HOPE

JESUS

JOSEPH

JOY

LIGHT

LOVE

MARY

PEACE

PINK

PREPARATION

PURPLE

REJOICE

SAVIOR

WAITING

WREATH



VICAR: Rev Dr Rebecca Aechtner –

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Rest day is Friday – if you have an urgent enquiry then please contact a Churchwarden.

PIONEER MINISTER: Rev Claire Cooke:

Email: Claire@stpauls-scotforth.org

Work days are Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday

WARDENS:

Mrs Jayne Weatherill:

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Mr Tony Walker:

Tel: 382397; Email: walkerar@hotmail.co.uk

PARISH OFFICE: The office is open Monday – Friday from 9.30am – 12 noon.

Tel: 01524 843135; Email: office@stpauls-scotforth.org

BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS: Booking enquiries - please contact the parish office

or

Email: lifeevents@stpauls-scotforth.org

CHURCH WEBSITE:

<https://stpauls-scotforth.org>

FACEBOOK: regular updates about life at St Paul's can be found:

@scotforthstpaulschurch

Paper boats:

We've all enjoyed the lovely boats the children made which are decorating our church. We've had enquiries about making them, so have included the instructions on the next two pages.

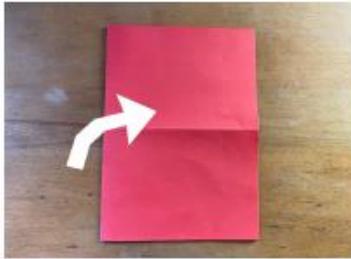
Step 2

Fold your piece of paper into a boat.

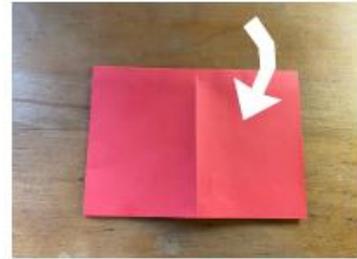
Here are our step-by-step instructions for folding your piece of paper into an origami boat.



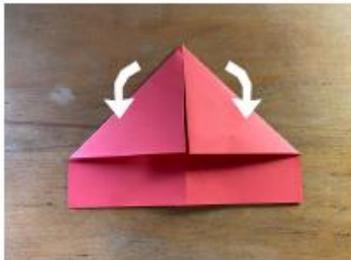
1. Take your sheet of paper and fold it in half length-ways, then open it up again.



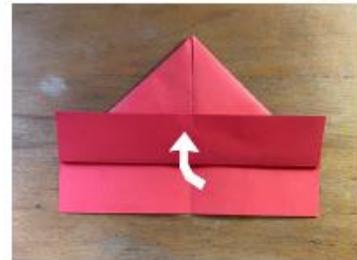
2. Fold your sheet of paper in half width-ways. Leave folded.



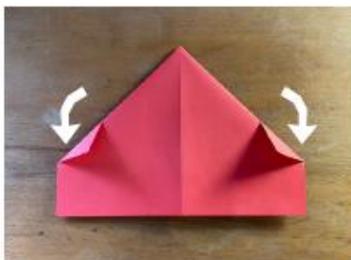
3. Rotate your piece of paper so the long, folded side is at the top.



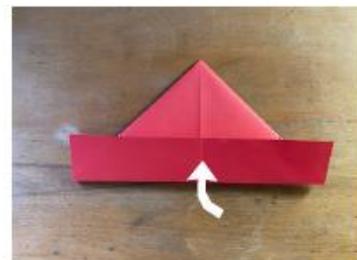
4. Take each of the top corners and fold them downwards, lining each edge up with the centre fold. You should now have a triangle shape with a rectangle underneath it.



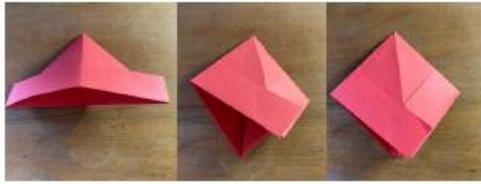
5. Take one layer of the bottom flap and fold it upwards.



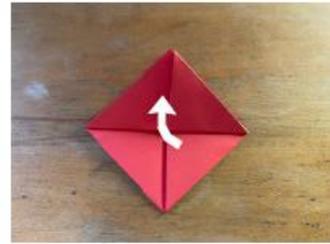
6. Flip the folded paper over. There should be two little flaps showing behind the triangle shape. Fold those little flaps over diagonally.



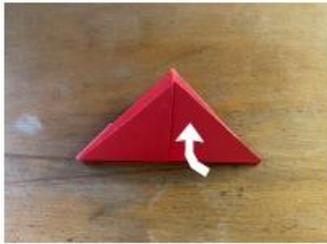
7. Take the remaining bottom flap and fold it upwards. It should now look a bit like a hat!



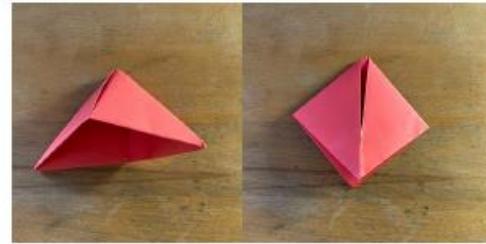
- 8.** Place your thumbs into the opening at the bottom and slowly open it up. Keep pulling until the paper is flat again. It should be a square shape. Run your fingers along all of the folds, pressing to make sure it is flat.



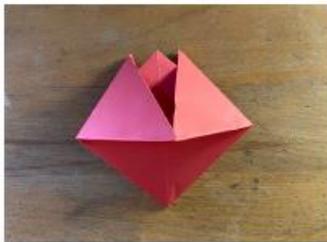
- 9.** Rotate the paper so it looks like a diamond shape with the opening at the bottom. Starting at the bottom point, take one layer of the folded paper and fold it up to meet the top point, making sure all of the edges line up. Press along the edge to make a fold.



- 10.** Flip the paper over and do the same again.



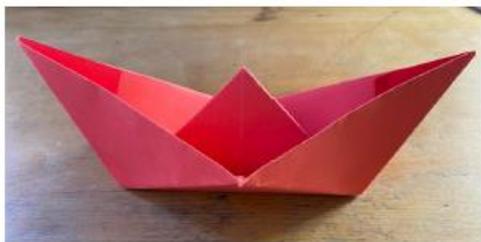
- 11.** Place your thumbs into the opening at the bottom and slowly open it up. Keep pulling until the paper is flat again. It should be a square shape. Run your fingers along all of the folds, pressing to make sure it is flat.



- 12.** Pick up the folded piece of paper. At the top point, pull the two sides of folded paper outwards. As you pull it apart, it should open up into a boat shape.



- 13.** Adjust the paper if needed to make sure it's boat-shaped, then pinch along the bottom edges to make a fold on each side.



- 14.** Your paper boat is complete!

Struggling to fold your boat?

You can watch a demonstration at onelittleproject.com/how-to-make-a-paper-boat or on our website at caid.org.uk/rise. Alternatively, you can use our boat template at the back of this pack or draw one yourself.