



ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS



29th June 2023

Sunday Worship – 2nd July 2023 Trinity 4

8:00am - BCP Holy Communion at St Paul's, Scotforth Road

9:45am – Holy Communion at St Paul's, Scotforth Road

12:30pm – Holy Baptisms at St Paul's, Scotforth Road

11:15am – Service of the Word at St Paul's, Hala

Wednesday at 9:15am – Morning Prayer

Please contact Margaret Ives if you would like to join the telephone conference

Thursday at 9:15am – Holy Communion at St Paul's, Scotforth Road



***Worshipping God,
Growing in Faith,
Serving the Community.***

FOR OUR PRAYERS

Our mission Partners: For Stephen and Marit Impey's work with Wycliffe Bible Translators International.

From our Parish prayer diary: Wellington Road, Newsham Place, Roseberry Avenue, Newsham Road

From our Church prayer diary: The work of the Olive Branch

We pray for the parents, godparents and family of: Laurence Daniel and Dorothy Rainbow Moira

Those who have asked for prayers for healing: Mary Wilson, Eunice Parkinson, Reg Wollington, Mary Smith, Dorothy Camm, Lee Phillips, Denis Thorpe, Joan Guenault, John Harding, Irene Harper, Jacqui Lennox

All who mourn: Frederick Charles Tyson, Olive Hudson

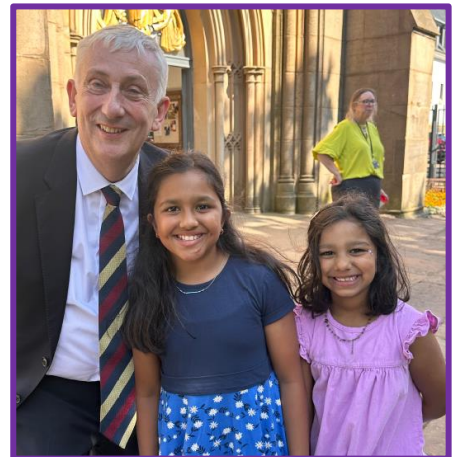
Parish Diary for the coming week:

Date & Time	Name of Event
Sunday 2 nd July at 12:30pm	Baptism of Laurence Daniel and Dorothy Rainbow Moira
Monday 3 rd July at 2:00pm	Tea@2 in the parish hall

A Messy Church Installation by Sundiya Jeremiah:

On Saturday Amali and I (and our parents) went to Blackburn Cathedral for Bishop Philip's 'installation' as the new Bishop of Blackburn. He was the Bishop of Burnley and was 'installed' on the 'Cathedra' (bishop's chair) in the Cathedral. The kids went down to the crypt for a fun messy church. We decorated our own bishops' mitres (the pointy hats bishops wear) and acted out when Mary went to see her cousin Elizabeth. We also made Bishop Philip a special cloak out of prayers and pictures that he wore down the aisle when we all processed back into church wearing our mitres.

It was an interesting experience. After the service I spoke with Sir Lindsay Hoyle, the Speaker of the House of Commons. I told him all about what Year Six at Scotforth St Paul's school learnt about Parliament. He was very kind and really interested in what I was learning.



Bishop Philip then came down to the crypt and told us to be loud in our churches.

Collect for Sunday 2nd July:

Gracious Father,
by the obedience of Jesus
you brought salvation to our wayward world:
draw us into harmony with your will,
that we may find all things restored in him,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Readings for Sunday 2nd July:

Romans 6.12-end

¹² Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. ¹³ No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. ¹⁴ For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵ What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶ Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷ But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, ¹⁸ and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹ I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

²⁰ When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹ So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²² But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. ²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Matthew 10.40-end

⁴⁰ 'Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹ Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴² and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these

little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.'

Post Communion Prayer for 2nd July 2023:

Eternal God,
comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken,
you have fed us at the table of life and hope:
teach us the ways of gentleness and peace,
that all the world may acknowledge
the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Readings for next Sunday:

**Genesis 24.34-38, 42-49, 58-end; Romans 7.15-25a;
Matthew 11.16-19, 25-end**

Support your Church to serve your local community:

Many people might be surprised to know that St. Paul's is entirely self-funded and does not get any financial support from the Church of England, the Government or the Diocese of Blackburn. We also fund our own running costs and maintenance.

If you would like to learn more about supporting your church by monthly Bank Standing Order as an easy and convenient way instead of via the collection plate, then please talk to the Churchwarden or a member of the welcome team to get more information. Alternatively, you can always email the church office (office@stpauls-scotforth.org) for more information



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.



Submissions for the Parish News: The deadline each week is **Tuesday at 11:30am**, 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. 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 letter box.

Women's Fellowship

Just a reminder to Women's Fellowship members who have signed up for the afternoon tea on the 10th July. If anyone is unable to attend, please let me know before Friday 7th so that the numbers can be adjusted with the caterer.

Jean Mount

Garden Party:



On the afternoon of **Saturday 19th August** we are planning to hold a garden party or possibly church party if wet. I am looking for a few volunteers to help with advertising and on the day serving refreshments as well as people to help on cake, plant, books and bring and buy stalls and to run a raffle.

If you think you can help in any way please contact me on 07531285199 or even better come along to **20 Newlands**

Road on Tuesday 11th July at 7.00pm. All proceeds raised will go to church funds.

Maureen Leach

Tote Bag Challenge: A couple of weeks ago Rebecca issued a challenge to see where in the world our tote bag could be photographed. Want to send your 'Where in the World' photograph? Please email your photo with a short description to the parish office.



My lunch tote has been out and about this week, and found its way up Ingleborough. And here's another picture showing the Ribbleshead Viaduct in the background .

Ian Mitchell

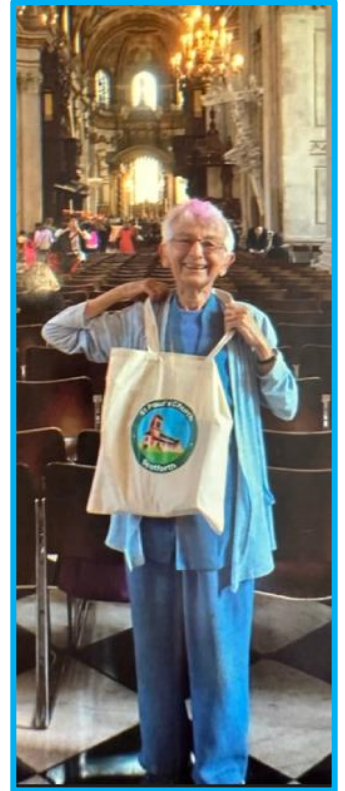




I went to London a fortnight ago to see my sister-in-law and two of her grand-children were over from Switzerland with their two young children who had a great time exploring the childrens' play area on Hampstead Heath. They wouldn't let me use the slide, so I just sat at the bottom of it....

And this is me at 'the other' St Paul's in London ...

Margaret Ives



And the tote bag has reached St Matthew's Glass Church on Jersey, Channel Islands.

Judith Threlfall

SLCT Prayer Walk/Drive: Thursday 6th July

If you haven't been on one of our previous prayer walks, perhaps you are wondering what happens!

We will meet in St Paul's church garden at 6:45pm on Thursday 6th July, where a short prayer will be said and we will sing a hymn before setting off on our leisurely walk towards St Paul's school. There is no rush, but there is plenty of chatting as we walk along!

At each stopping point, we listen to another prayer, and if we are at a church, we sing a hymn.

Our prayers are led by various people, are very short, and are appropriate to each area.

This year, Arton and I will be part walking/part driving the route, so if anyone feels they would rather not walk the next stage, you will be able to have a lift in the car. There are various seats around the route.

Please feel able to join, or to leave, at any point; but do come and enjoy the walk and the talk as we pray for our community and the area where we live and worship.

Approximate timings: 7:30pm St Bernadette's church; 8:15pm Trinity UR church; and 8:45pm Lancaster Methodist church - where there will be refreshments!

Christine Medd

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- **VICAR:** Rev Dr Rebecca Aechtner: Tel: 749693;
 - Email: vicar@stpauls-scotforth.org
 - Rest day is Friday – if you have an urgent enquiry then please contact a Churchwarden.
 - **ASSISTANT PRIEST:** Rev Catherine Haydon: Tel: 07723 642973;
 - Email: catherine@stpauls-scotforth.org
 - Rest day is Tuesday – if you have an urgent enquiry then please contact Rev Rebecca or a Church warden.
 - **CHURCHWARDEN:** Mrs Jayne Weatherill:
 - Tel: 60597 or 07986993007; Email: sjayneweatherill@gmail.com
 - **PARISH OFFICE:** The office is open Monday to Friday from 9.30am – 12 noon.
 - Tel: 01524 843135; Email: office@stpauls-scotforth.org
 - **BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS:** Booking enquiries - please contact Jayne Weatherill through the parish office or Email: lifeyvents@stpauls-scotforth.org
 - **CHURCH WEBSITE & HOW TO HIRE OUR ROOMS:**
 - <https://stpauls-scotforth.org> then visit the Hiring our Spaces area at the top of the page.
 - **FACEBOOK:** regular updates about life at St Paul's can be found:
 - @scotforthstpaulschurch
 - **INSTAGRAM:** @scotforthstpauls
 - **PASTORAL CARE TEAM:** Our Clergy and Pastoral Care Team are here to listen and to pray. You can contact them by either emailing pastoral@stpauls-scotforth.org or telephoning Irene on Tel: 64701.
 - **Scotforth School:** Headteacher – Mrs Katie Walsh – Tel: 01524 65379
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Parish Walk:

The June Parish Walk was a visit to Warton Open Gardens. After a picnic lunch on Warton church grounds we headed for the allotments and gardens on show – full of produce and plants all grown in difficult weather conditions this year. We were made very welcome and chatted to a few garden owners who described the history of their own garden starting from bare plots and resulting in beautiful roses, honeysuckles, sweet peas, potting sheds, summer houses, even recycled farm machinery. And all under the watchful eyes of lifesize scarecrows. And there is always one garden with tea and cake which we found of course! Before we returned home we made a quick visit to Warton Cragg Nature Reservewhere we spotted a peregrine falcon high up on the crag – a surprise ending to a lovely afternoon.

Arlene Hunter

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