



# ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023

## Sunday Worship – 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2023 Trinity 7

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

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


11:15am – Holy Communion at St Paul's, Hala

### Wednesday at 9:15am – Morning Prayer

Please contact Margaret Ives if you would like to join the telephone conference  
*Morning Prayer will then break for summer, and return in October*

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

### Parish Diary for the coming week:

Date and time	Event
Saturday 22nd July at 2:00pm 	Wedding of Alice and Aidan
Wednesday 26th July 7:00pm at the Boot & Shoe	Refresh Ladies' Drinks evening



*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:** Palatine Avenue,

**From our Church prayer diary:** 9<sup>th</sup> Lancaster Guides

**Those who have asked for prayers for healing:** Mary Wilson, Mary Smith, Dorothy Camm, Denis Thorpe, Joan Guenault, John Harding, Irene Harper, Jacqui Lennox, Kath Beck

**All who mourn:** Jean Brown, Eunice Parkinson

### **Collect for Sunday 23rd July:**

Generous God,

you give us gifts and make them grow:

though our faith is small as mustard seed,

make it grow to your glory

and the flourishing of your kingdom;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Readings for Sunday 23rd July:**

#### **Genesis 28.10-19a**

<sup>10</sup> Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran. <sup>11</sup>He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. <sup>12</sup>And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. <sup>13</sup>And the Lord stood beside him and said, 'I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; <sup>14</sup>and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. <sup>15</sup>Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.' <sup>16</sup>Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!' <sup>17</sup>And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.'

<sup>18</sup> So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. <sup>19</sup>He called that place Bethel; but the name of the city was Luz at the first.

## **Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43**

<sup>24</sup> He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; <sup>25</sup>but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. <sup>26</sup>So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. <sup>27</sup>And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" <sup>28</sup>He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" <sup>29</sup>But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. <sup>30</sup>Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn."

<sup>36</sup> Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' <sup>37</sup>He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; <sup>38</sup>the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, <sup>39</sup>and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. <sup>40</sup>Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. <sup>41</sup>The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, <sup>42</sup>and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup>Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

### **Post Communion Prayer for 23rd July 2023:**

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,  
ever giving himself that the world may live:  
may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion  
that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love;  
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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### **Readings for next Sunday:**

**Genesis 29.15-28; Romans 8.26-end; Matthew 13.31-33, 44-52**

**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.

**Tote Bag Challenge:** Recently 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. We are sure that your bags will be going on holiday with you somewhere.



Two pictures of Muriel Ellison with tote bag at Richmond Castle and Lodore Falls Hotel taken by Christine Campbell



### **'HYMNS OLD AND NEW' BOOKS**

The music copies in church of 'Hymns Old and New' are now down to two in number, both of which are looking the worse for wear. If you have a St Paul's copy at home, perhaps one you used when singing with the Scotforth Singers or the Hosanna Singers, please could you return it to church? Maybe you have your own copy which you no longer use and could think about donating or lending it to church.

The instrumentalists who have volunteered to lead the music at our services would really appreciate having a music copy of the hymn book. With many thanks in anticipation of a good response.

***Christine Medd (on behalf of St Paul's music groups)***

**Raffle prizes and bric-a-brac needed** - we are looking for raffle prizes and bric-a-brac for the church garden party on August 19th. If you have anything suitable please leave in the box at the back of church, or hand in to the office or contact Maureen on 07531285199



### **Parish Walk:**

The next parish walk will be a 4 mile wander round the Silverdale shore line this Sunday **July 23rd**. We will meet outside at the back of church at 12:15pm for a short picnic lunch before setting off. Transport can be shared and offered. Bring your binoculars. Please contact Maureen on 07531 285199 for further information.

### **Garden Church:**



This half term we have been running Garden Church for 20 students from St Paul's school on a Monday evening. We've had lots of fun exploring the church garden, planting seeds, creating raised beds, and learning how much God loves us. We also painted pebbles with things that remind us of God's love-look out for them in the church garden! We can't wait to see how our carrots and lettuce have grown, and hopefully there might be a willow den in September too. Thanks to Robin Long for his help and gardening knowledge!

***Rev Catherine***

### **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.



## Supporting the Church Roof fundraising whilst doing your online shopping:

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

• **ASSISTANT PRIEST:** Rev Catherine Haydon: Tel: 07723 642973;

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• ***Rest day is Tuesday – if you have an urgent enquiry then please contact Rev Rebecca or a Church warden.***

• **CHURCHWARDEN:** Mrs Jayne Weatherill:

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

• Tel: 01524 843135; Email: [office@stpauls-scotforth.org](mailto:office@stpauls-scotforth.org)

• **BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS:** Booking enquiries - please contact Jayne Weatherill through the parish office or Email: [lifeyvents@stpauls-scotforth.org](mailto: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](mailto:pastoral@stpauls-scotforth.org) or telephoning Irene on Tel: 64701.

• **Scotforth School:** Headteacher – Mrs Katie Walsh – Tel: 01524 65379

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SCOTFORTH, ST PAUL'S  
**GARDEN PARTY**

**SATURDAY**

**AUG. 19th**

**2.00 - 4.00pm**

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