



ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS 18th April 2024



Sunday Worship – 21st April 2024 Easter 4

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

9:45am – Joint Service of the Word
Including our Annual Meeting (APCM) at St Paul's Scotforth Road

11:15am – St Paul's, Hala
There is no service today. Everyone is very welcome to attend the Service and Annual Meeting at St Paul's, Scotforth Road at 9.45am

12:30pm – Holy Baptisms

Wednesday at 9:00am – Morning Prayer is taking a short break and will restart on Wednesday 1st May.

Thursday at 9:15am – Holy Communion

Parish Diary:

Date & Time	Name of Event
Sunday 21 st April at 12:30pm	Baptisms of Lyra Ella and Reggie Gordon
Sunday 28th April: 8:00am 9:45am 11:15am	BCP Holy Communion Holy Communion Service of the Word at St Paul's, Hala

FOR OUR PRAYERS

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

From our Parish prayer diary: Beck View

From our Church prayer diary: The Walking Group

We pray for the parents, godparents and family of Lyra Ella and Reggie Gordon who are to be baptised this week

Those who have asked for prayers for healing: Mary Wilson, Mary Smith, John Harding, Jonathan Easton, Tony Walker, Brenda Alexander, Hilary Jones, Ian Smith, Kathleen Walker

All who mourn: Barbara Beetham

Message from Rev Rebecca:

We invite our St Paul's family to join with us virtually for Anderson's consecration at Canterbury Cathedral on the Feast of St Mark the Evangelist this April 25th at 11am.

The Consecration Service will be live-streamed via the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/aXh8z0x7ZPQ?feature=shared>

Annual General Meeting - 21st April 2024 at 9.45am

St Paul's Church - AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the APM held on 23rd April 2023
- THE MEETING OF PARISHIONERS**
3. Election of Churchwardens
- ANNUAL PAROCHIAL MEETING**
4. Electoral Roll
5. Presentation of the Accounts
6. Report on the Fabric of the Church
7. Report on the dealings of the Deanery Synod
8. Safeguarding Report
9. Election of the Church Council
10. Appointment of Independent Examiner

Collect for Sunday 21st April:

Risen Christ,
faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep:
teach us to hear your voice
and to follow your command,
that all your people may be gathered into one flock,
to the glory of God the Father.

Readings for Sunday 21st April:

Acts 4.5-12

⁵ The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, ⁶with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' ⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, ¹⁰let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. ¹¹This Jesus is "the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone."

¹²There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

John 10.11-18

¹¹ 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. ¹³The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. ¹⁴I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will

be one flock, one shepherd. ¹⁷For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

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Readings for next Sunday:

Acts 8.26–end †; 1 John 4.7–end; John 15.1–8



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

Electrics in church: We are pleased to say that the remedial work started on Monday 11th March and will take approximately 10-12 weeks to complete, if everything goes according to plan. The final week of work will be the only week we won't be able to offer services at all as all the new wiring will be finally connected into all the new circuit boxes and the electric supply will have to be switched off for this. We will keep everyone posted about when this final week will be as we will have to cancel the Thursday morning service that week.



Help for Ukraine:



We are collecting Wax for Ukraine – it will be turned into trench candles that warm up the soldiers in the trenches. Trench candles are an essential source of heat for them.

Please donate an old or new candle or some candle stubs. I have placed a box in the church porch for any donations of wax.

All the candle wax will be taken to Chorley, from where it will be transported to Ukraine, where volunteers will turn them into trench candles. See 'Chorley and District Support for Ukraine' Facebook page. Thank you for your support.

Update: I would like to say a very big Thank You to ALL the people who have so generously donated wax candles. The need is ongoing so the box will remain in the church porch.

Jean Mount

Recycling Opportunities: Many of you use our recycling facilities for batteries, ink cartridges, postage stamps – thank you. This is just a note to say that we can longer collect spectacles and we will be removing this box as Second Sight for World Vision are no longer operating this scheme.



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• **VICAR:** Rev Dr Rebecca Aehtner: 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: sjaynewweatherill@gmail.com

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