



ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS 1st August 2024



Sunday Worship – 4th August 2024 Trinity 10

8:00am - BCP Holy Communion at **St Paul's Parish Hall**

9:45am – Holy Communion at **St Paul's Parish Hall**

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

12:30pm – Holy Baptisms at **St Paul's Parish Hall**

*Morning Prayer is taking a break for summer, and will return on
Wednesday 11th September*

Thursday at 9:15am – Holy Communion at St Paul's Parish Hall

Parish Diary:

Date & Time	Name of Event
Saturday 3 rd August	Baptism of Ethan Peter <i>In the Parish Hall</i>
Sunday 4 th August	Baptism of Maggie Mae <i>In the Parish Hall</i>
Monday 5 th August at 2pm	Tea @2 in the Parish Hall
Wednesday 7 th August at 2:00pm	Gardening with the Gardening Team at St Paul's Church
Sunday 11 th August 8:00am 9:45am 11:15am 6:30pm	BCP Holy Communion - <i>In the Parish Hall</i> Holy Communion - <i>In the Parish Hall</i> Holy Communion at St Paul's Hala Centre Evening Prayer <i>In the Parish Hall</i>



*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: Bedford Place, Rutland Avenue, Gloucester Avenue

From our Church prayer diary: All Emergency Service Personnel

We pray for the parents, godparents and families of Ethan Peter and Maggie Mae who are to be baptised this week

Those who have asked for prayers for healing: Mary Wilson, Mary Smith, John Harding, Jonathan Easton, Brenda Alexander, Ian Smith, Kathleen Walker, Muriel Ellison, Martin Pearson, Marit Impey

All who mourn: Leonard Walker, Katie Beth Beattie

Church Roof Update: As we reported in the parish news last week; we are hoping that a temporary fix to the church roof is imminent and Keith and I have meetings in the coming week with contractors and our architects.

As our building is officially closed, please can we ask that anyone with a key to the vestry does not enter the church at any time – this is for insurance purposes. If it is an urgent matter of need then please talk to Keith, Catherine or myself.

If anyone would like to volunteer to help set up on a Saturday then please speak to either Keith or myself. We are, until we have more information later next week, looking at planning for setting up for August.

Jayne

Collect for Sunday 4th August:

Lord of heaven and earth,
as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer,
give us patience and courage never to lose hope,
but always to bring our prayers before you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings for Sunday 4th August

Ephesians 4.1-6; 11-13

⁴I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ.

John 6.24-35

²⁴So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. ²⁵ When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' ²⁶Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves.

²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' ²⁸Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' ²⁹Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' ³⁰So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then,

so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, “He gave them bread from heaven to eat.” ³²Then Jesus said to them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.’ ³⁴They said to him, ‘Sir, give us this bread always.’ ³⁵ Jesus said to them, ‘I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Post Communion Prayer for Sunday 4th August:

God of our pilgrimage,
you have willed that the gate of mercy
should stand open for those who trust in you:
look upon us with your favour
that we who follow the path of your will
may never wander from the way of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Readings for next Sunday:

2 Samuel 18.5–9, 15, 31–33; Psalm 130; Ephesians 4.25—5.2;
John 6.35, 41–51

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

Last chance to give a donation for a pew:

Last 1 remaining

After we removed the pews from the north aisle last year they have been in secure storage and then were recently moved to the vicarage garage. Some work has been undertaken on them to ensure they sit flat on the floor and we still have 2 beautiful pews available for sale. They are 6 foot long approximately.



The PCC have asked for donations. If you have any other questions, would like to view them or would like to purchase one then please talk to a Churchwarden.

Do you appreciate how beautiful our church gardens are?



We are desperate for more help to keep them well maintained. You don't have to have any gardening knowledge. It is surprising how quickly you learn to recognise the weeds. We could also do with more help cutting back the shrubs and

hedges. All tools are provided!

We meet every Wednesday from 2:00pm - 4.00pm but if you could only come for an hour or just once month it would be much appreciated. Of course if you are at work we realise that this is impossible. However, you could for example 'adopt' a small plot and just come when it's more convenient for you. If you feel you could lend a hand then please come along on a Wednesday at 2:00pm or contact me on 07531 285199.

Maureen Leach

Diocesan Job Opportunities:

There are a number of vacancies being advertised by Blackburn Diocese. Please follow this link:

<https://www.blackburn.anglican.org/general-vacancies> for more details and to apply.



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.

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● **VICAR:** We are currently in a period of vacancy – please contact a Churchwarden.

● **ASSOCIATE PRIEST:** *Rev Catherine Haydon: Tel: 07723 642973;*

● *Email: catherine@stpauls-scotforth.org*

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

● **CHURCHWARDENS:** Mrs Jayne Weatherill:

● Tel: 60597 or 07986 993007; Email: sjayneweatherill@gmail.com

● Mr Keith Weatherill:

● Tel: 60597 or 07986 993005; Email: keith.weatherill@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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St Paul's, Hala Centre

Volunteers Needed!

Have you got a couple of hours to spare on a Friday to go on our rota?

We need drivers, meet and greet, setting up help, clearing away help.



St Paul's, Hala Centre - Hala Square, Lancaster, LA1 4RW

Friday's - times vary according to volunteer role



St Paul's Hala Pantry is a food club which runs every Friday at St Paul's Hala. It sources food that would otherwise have gone to landfill. Members of Hala Pantry can help reduce food waste whilst topping up their weekly shop.

For more information, contact halapantry@stpauls-scotforth.org



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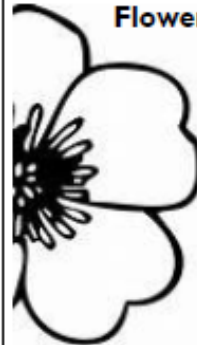
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