



ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS 26th SEPTEMBER 2024

Sunday Worship – 29th September 2024
Trinity 18 – Giving Sunday

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

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

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

Wednesday at 9:15am – Morning Prayer by telephone conference
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

Parish Diary:

Date & Time	Name of Event
Wednesday 2nd October at 2:00pm	Gardening with the Gardening Team at St Paul's Church – all welcome
Thursday 3rd October at 10:00am	Lay Pastoral Team Meeting in Church
Sunday 6th October 8:00am 9:45am 11:15am	BCP Holy Communion – St Paul's Church Holy Communion Service of the Word at Hala



***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: Devonshire Street, Franklin Street, Cheltenham Road, Victoria Avenue

From our Church prayer diary: The Churchwardens and Assistant Churchwardens

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

All who mourn: David Hoyle, Sarah 'Jenny' McEvoy, Dorothy Bolton

Message from Revd Catherine:

This Sunday, 29th September, marks the start of Generosity Week in the Church of England, and we will be dedicating that day as 'Giving Sunday'. There will be plenty more information available on the day, but we invite you to begin to prayerfully consider how God might be calling you to give to our church community, both through your time and talents as well as financially. Thank you.

Collect for Sunday 29th September:

Almighty and everlasting God,
increase in us your gift of faith
that, forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to that which is before,
we may run the way of your commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
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.

Readings for Sunday 29th September

Exodus 35: 4-19

⁴Moses said to all the congregation of the Israelites: This is the thing that the Lord has commanded: ⁵Take from among you an offering to the Lord; let whoever is of a generous heart bring the Lord's offering: gold, silver, and bronze; ⁶blue, purple, and crimson yarns, and fine linen; goats' hair, ⁷tanned rams' skins, and fine leather; acacia wood, ⁸oil for the light, spices for the anointing-oil and for the fragrant incense, ⁹and onyx stones and gems to be set in the ephod and the breastpiece.

¹⁰All who are skilful among you shall come and make all that the Lord has commanded: the tabernacle, ¹¹its tent and its covering, its clasps and its frames, its bars, its pillars, and its bases; ¹²the ark with its poles, the mercy-seat, and the curtain for the screen; ¹³the table with its poles and all its utensils, and the bread of the Presence; ¹⁴the lampstand also for the light, with its utensils and its lamps, and the oil for the light; ¹⁵and the altar of incense, with its poles, and the anointing-oil and the fragrant incense, and the screen for the entrance, the entrance of the tabernacle; ¹⁶the altar of burnt-offering, with its grating of bronze, its poles, and all its utensils, the basin with its stand; ¹⁷the hangings of the court, its pillars and its bases, and the screen for the gate of the court; ¹⁸the pegs of the tabernacle and the pegs of the court, and their cords; ¹⁹the finely worked vestments for ministering in the holy place, the holy vestments for the priest Aaron, and the vestments of his sons, for their service as priests.

Mark 12: 41-44

⁴¹He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴²A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. ⁴³Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.'

Post Communion Prayer for Sunday 29th September:

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast:
for here we receive you,
here the memory of your passion is renewed,
here our minds are filled with grace,
and here a pledge of future glory is given,
when we shall feast at that table where you reign
with all your saints for ever.

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Readings for next Sunday:

Job 1.1; 2.1-10; Hebrews 1.1-4; 2.5-12; Mark 10.2-16

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

Make a Joyful Noise:

If you enjoy singing, perhaps you would like to be part of a group to sing at our evening Christmas carol service on Sunday 22nd December. We are aiming to keep rehearsals few and short, and to have them immediately after the 9.45am services, until approx 11.15am, on the following dates: October 6th and 27th, November 17th and 24th, December 15th and 22nd.

You don't have to be able to read music, or feel that you have a brilliant voice. Remember that we are told to make a 'joyful noise'. Please let me know if you intend to sing, so that I can have words/music ready for the first rehearsal.

Christine Medd tel: 01524 64730; email arton.medd@btinternet.com

Would you like to know a bit more about the Society of Friends (Quakerism)?

For the first five weeks of this session beginning on Tuesday 1st October, the Tuesday morning house group are finding out about its founder, George Fox, his beliefs and how Quakerism developed in the northwest of England and across the world. We meet at 10.00am to read and discuss, followed at 11.00am by coffee. If you wish to join the group please contact us by phone

01524 64730 or email arton.medd@btinternet.com or see us after the 9.45 service.

Christine and Arton Medd, 65 Winchester Avenue, LA1 4HX.

Fresh Food Harvest Surplus

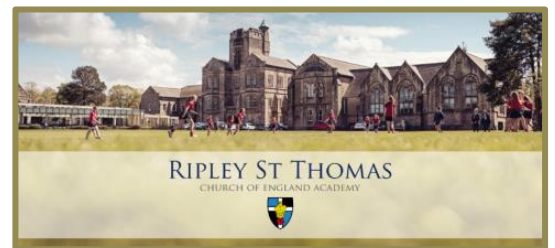
It was good to see the gifts of tins and dried foodstuffs for the Olive Branch at Sunday's Harvest Festival and to be reminded by Rev Catherine that there is always a collection box in church so that food can be supplied all year. All food banks and similar charities experience times of food shortage. If you are a gardener or allotment holder you may have surplus fruit and vegetables at harvest time and these will be welcomed by Lancaster and District Homeless Action Service (formerly Edward Street but now in Aalborg Place by the magistrates' court). LDHAS provide a cooked meal at lunchtime for their clients and welcome such donations.

Arton Medd

Secondary School Admissions

Meetings:

We are now taking bookings for Ripley St Thomas Church School Supplementary Forms to be signed. There will be two evenings – Tuesday 8th October and Thursday 10th October between 6.00pm and 7.30pm in the Parish Office. Please contact the office by telephone to make an appointment (9.30-12 noon Mon - Fri) or email: office@stpauls-scotforth.org



In order to make an appointment we will need the following information:

- Preferred date;
- Your name;
- Your child's name;
- Your child's school;
- Your contact telephone number.

If you email the office for an appointment you will receive a confirmation email stating the date and time of your appointment. Please remember that you will need to bring your school admission green card with you and the supplemental form you received in your RST prospectus pack. Please note, only one parent needs to attend the meeting in order to reduce any possible congestion in the Parish Hall.

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 SAFEGUARDING OFFICER: Mrs Jayne Weatherill:

Tel: 07986 993007; Email: safeguarding@stpauls-scotforth.org

PARISH OFFICE: Office hours are 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

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



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.

**Don't
Miss the
Sale!**

**Tote Bags
were £5
now only
£3**



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PARTY VENUE?

**St Paul's Parish Hall
and
St Paul's Hala Centre**

are available to hire

Check out our online booking
system at

<https://stpauls-scotforth.org>

Hiring our spaces tab or
use the QR Code



Parish Office: 01524 843135





**Scotforth St Paul's
Primary & Nursery School
Reception 2025**

OPEN DAY

Thursday 14th November 2024

1.30 pm - 3.00 pm