



ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS 17th October 2024



Sunday Worship – 20th October 2024 Trinity 21

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 – there will be no Morning Prayer on 23rd or 30th October. This will resume on 6th November.

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

Parish Diary:

Date & Time	Name of Event
Wednesday 23 rd October at 2:00pm	Gardening with the Gardening Team at St Paul's Church – all welcome
Sunday 27 th October 8:00am 9:45am 11:15am .	BCP Holy Communion – St Paul's Church Holy Communion – St Paul's Church Service of the Word at St Paul's, Hala
Thursday 24 th October at 1:00pm	Funeral of Kathleen Walker at St Paul's Church



*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: Eden Park. Hall Park

From our Church prayer diary: The Refreshment Team

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

All who mourn: Stephen Robey, Jean Glasgow, Kathleen Walker, Ernest Parker

Prayer for the Vacancy:

Loving God, we give you thanks for our church family here at St Paul's. Send your Holy Spirit amongst us at this time of uncertainty and change during the vacancy. Give us wisdom as we prepare to appoint a new vicar. May we be faithful in prayer for this process as we seek to find the next person called to lead us. Be with that person now preparing them for this place, that they would be able to lead us into greater knowledge and love of you, so that together we may discover your way for the future and see your kingdom grow here in Scotforth and Hala. Amen.

Collect for Sunday 20th October:

Almighty God,
in whose service lies perfect freedom:
teach us to obey you
with loving hearts and steadfast wills;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings for Sunday 20th October

Hebrews 5.1-10

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; ³and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. ⁴And one does not presume to take this honour, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵ So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you';
⁶as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.'

⁷ In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission.

⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Mark 10.35-45

³⁵ James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' ³⁶And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?'

³⁷And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' ³⁸But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?'

³⁹They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.'

⁴¹ When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴²So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

Post Communion Prayer for Sunday 20th October:

Father of light,
in whom is no change or shadow of turning,
you give us every good and perfect gift
and have brought us to birth by your word of truth:
may we be a living sign of that kingdom
where your whole creation will be made perfect
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Readings for next Sunday:

Isaiah 55:1-11; 2 Timothy 3.14-4.5; John 5.36b-end

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 approximately 11.15am, on the following dates:

October 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 rehearsals.

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

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:

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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: lifeevents@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.

Volunteer Roles – opportunities to support the work of St Paul's:

At our recent Giving Sunday service we talked about being able to support the ministry and outreach opportunities in our parish through time and talents. At the end of the service, for those who were at there that day, a booklet giving many varied opportunities to offer your time and talents was handed out. It's not too late to volunteer, a copy of the booklet is available on our website at: <https://stpauls-scotforth.org/fundraising/regular-giving-campaign/volunteering-opportunities/> and hard copies are still available from the back of church. Please prayerfully consider how you can give back to St Paul's Church.

School Admission and 'Green Card' System: We would like to remind parents about the 'green card' system that we operate at St Paul's, both in church and at our Hala Worship Centre. At the present time attendance for either primary or secondary school admissions is for "parent and/or child". This means if you attend a service without your child you should still get your card signed. If your child attends with another family member, e.g. grandparent, then the green card can be signed for your child's attendance however, if they attend without your child the card cannot be signed – your child has to be with them.

We would like to remind parents that when we sign supplementary forms (primary or secondary) either in-person or after being contacted by a school; we will need to see the green card to ratify and inform the completion of the requests.

We have been reminded in recent weeks the importance of parents understanding and reading the admission policy of the school chosen – it is not the responsibility of the church to ensure your understanding. We can only complete the information requested by the school following their guidance. If you have any queries about a specific school admission policy then you should contact the school directly.

If you have any additional questions then please talk to Jayne or email: lifeyvents@stpauls-scotforth.org

Songs of Praise - Sunday 20th October at 3:00pm

South Lancaster Churches Together are to hold a Songs of Praise service on Sunday 20th October beginning at 3:00pm. in Lancaster Methodist Church (formerly Greaves Methodist Church, Scotforth Road). Each church has asked two people to choose a hymn, and then be willing to talk for a few minutes about their choice, before we sing it. We have a varied and uplifting selection of hymns, which we should all enjoy singing, and it will be interesting to hear the reasons why they have been chosen. So do come along to the service, bring your family and friends, sing together with people from other churches; and stay for a cup of tea afterwards!

You are all invited.



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Donation to Roof Fund: This week our Churchwarden, Jayne, was delighted to receive a donation of £200 towards the Church Roof Appeal Fund from the Women's Fellowship raffle fundraising. Jayne thanked Margaret Ives, honorary president of Women's Fellowship, and all the members present at the meeting, and explained the current situation with the roof.



Scotforth St Paul's
Primary & Nursery School
Reception 2025

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Thursday 14th November 2024

1.30 pm - 3.00 pm

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