



ST PAUL'S PARISH NEWS

6TH AUGUST 2026

Sunday Worship – 9th August 2026

TRINITY 10

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

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

Please note: there will be no Fun Church over the summer holidays

- it will restart on Sunday 6th September

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

6:30pm Evening Prayer at St Paul's Church, Scotforth Road

Wednesdays – Morning Prayer by telephone conference is taking a break in August and September, and will resume in October

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

Parish Diary:

Date & Time	Name of Event
Wednesday 12th August at 2:00pm	Gardening with the Garden Team at St Paul's Church – all welcome
Sunday 16th August 8:00am 9:45am 11:15am 12:30pm	BCP Holy Communion at St Paul's, Scotforth Holy Communion at St Paul's, Scotforth Service of the Word at St Paul's, Hala Baptism at St Paul's, Scotforth



*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

From our Parish prayer diary: Warwick Avenue, Chester Place, Durham Avenue

From our Church prayer diary: Wednesday Morning Prayer Group Members

Those who have asked for prayers for healing: Mary Wilson, Mary Smith, Ian Smith, Irene Harper, Bill Haworth, Jennie Webster, Heather Richardson, Richard Impey

All who mourn: Scott Walker, John Harding, Marion Parker

Our 150 Prayer

Loving God, we thank you for 150 years of worship here at St Paul's, Scotforth. We give thanks for all who have gone before us, whose faith and devotion built this community. As we celebrate the past, guide us into the future. Renew us with your Spirit, that this church may continue to be a place of hope, welcome and love. Walk with us as we follow Jesus in the footsteps of St Paul, now and in the years to come. Amen.

Collect for Sunday 9th 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 9th August:

Romans 10.5–15

⁵ Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' ⁶But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?"' (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷or "Who will descend into the abyss?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸But what does it say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that

we proclaim); ⁹because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' ¹⁴ But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? ¹⁵And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

Matthew 14.22-33

²² Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. ²⁵And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. ²⁶But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. ²⁷But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' ²⁸ Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' ²⁹He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. ³⁰But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' ³¹Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' ³²When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

Post Communion Prayer for Sunday 9th 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 week:

Romans 11.1–2a , 29–32; Matthew 15.[10–20] 21–28

Collections/donations:

Your offerings for the work and ministry of this parish are gratefully received. Please place your donation in the collection plate at services, or on a plate at the back of church. Please use 'Gift Aid' if you are able to, using and completing a green envelope, these are in the pews with a pen.



We also have a contactless giving station at the back of church, or use the QR code in the pews or in this article. Many of our regular givers do this by standing order. If this is something you would be interested in there are forms for this available at the back of church or speak to Rev Catherine or Jayne.

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.



We're off to the beach!

This Saturday 8th August, from 12 noon, we're having a fun trip to Morecambe beach. Bring a picnic, or there's fish and chips (and ice cream!) nearby. We'll meet at the clock tower, at the top of Queen Street, and head onto the main bit of beach there. Bring a picnic blanket, frisbee, football, bucket and spade! Dogs aren't allowed on this part of the beach during the summer unfortunately. Pray for good weather, and come along for a fun afternoon, all are welcome.

Rev Catherine

Boundary Walk

Our Boundary walk this week will be held on **Sunday 9th August** leaving church at 1:00pm. The full walk past both reservoirs is just over five miles but it can be shortened if so wished by meeting us at the Fox and Goose. It has



some lovely views but it will involve walking on both roads and footpaths. As usual, various points of historical interest will be pointed out along the route.

Maureen Leach



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

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PARISH OFFICE: Office hours are Monday to Friday from 9.30am –12 noon. We are closed on weekends and Bank Holidays.

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BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS: Booking enquiries - please contact Jayne Weatherill through the parish office or Email: lifecvents@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 Jayne on Tel: 07986993007.

Scotforth School: Headteacher – Miss K O'Donnell – Tel: 01524 65379

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ST PAUL'S PARISH
BOUNDARY WALKS
SCOTFORTH

Explore the beauty of our parish with our series of guided boundary walks.

Enjoying fellowship & fresh air.

19th April
14th June
9th August
4th October

Lancaster University
Stodday
Blea Tarn Reservoir
Burrow Heights

All walks begin at St Paul's Church, 12:45 for a 13:00 start

FIND OUT MORE

Following Jesus in the Footsteps of St Paul

- 4-5 mile loops.
- Expect mud, uneven ground and some stiles!
- No dogs as some walks encounter livestock.
- Water bottle recommended

Further details contact:
Maureen Leach - 07531285199

Advanced date for your diary:



Let's do Coffee Morning

Do your bit for better cancer care

Come along and help us do whatever it takes
to support people living with cancer.

Place: St Paul's Church, Scotforth
Date: Friday 25th September 2026
Time: 10.30am - 12 noon
Contact: Parish Office
Tel: 01524 843135
E: office@stpauls-scotforth.org



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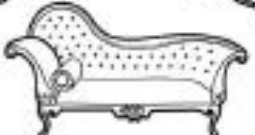
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