

St. Paul's News

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St. Paul's Barton - Sunday 23.01.22

Third Sunday of Epiphany

Welcome...

To our **All-Age Worship Service**. Today our speaker is Jane Shyvers our Reader in training.

Covid guidance re Omicron variant

Current information is available on the Diocese of Portsmouth website along with this summary...

"Face-coverings are now mandatory in churches, unless you have an exemption, or are leading worship.

You are legally allowed to remove face-coverings when singing in church, but the C of E's advice is to encourage congregations to keep them on".

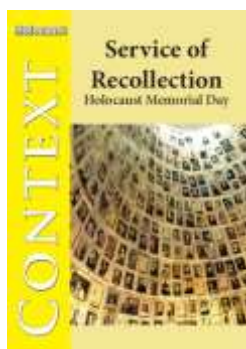
You can find out more information at the website below www.portsmouth.anglican.org/coronavirus/

Should you prefer a quieter service with no singing and more space in the building there is a service of Holy Communion on Wednesday mornings at 10:15am.

Latest...

Following the Health Secretary's announcement that England will return to Plan A from Thursday 27 January, The Bishop of London, Sarah Mullally, who leads the Church of England's Covid Recovery Group, said:

"We note the Government's announcement regarding the ending of Plan B measures from next week and will review our advice as soon as detailed guidance is published."



Holocaust Memorial Service

This evening at 6:30pm we will be holding a Holocaust Memorial Service using material from our friends at CFI (Christian Friends of Israel). Holocaust Memorial Day itself this year is on Thursday 27th January.

John

The funeral of our dear brother John will be held at St. Paul's on **Thursday 3rd February** at 10:30am. Please continue to remember all of the family in your prayers.

PCC News

The PCC met on Wednesday this week.

As we hopefully move into a less restrictive environment regarding Covid it has been agreed over the coming weeks to:

- Revert the communion format (and serving rota) to our pre Covid practice.
- Expand the Worship Team.
- Enjoy a 'Breakfast Church' again.
- Bring back use of the offering bag.
- Hold a 'Fellowship' Coffee Morning.
- Arrange a visit from Charlyne Boddie in April.

On the buildings front, the Churchwardens are working with John Q our Architect to project manage our 'problem' Buddleia and to survey the current state of the bell tower and church roof.

Finally, as is our custom, it was agreed to continue to support the charities listed below with our Tithe Offering which is 10% of the giving to St. Paul's for 2021.

Barnabas Fund
Christian Friends of Israel (CFI)
Church's Ministry among Jewish people (CMJ)
Compassion UK
Isle of Wight Foodbank
Isle of Wight Youth for Christ (YFC)
Revive Newport
Samaritan's Purse (Operation Christmas Child)
Wheels For The World

Each of the above will be receiving £570.

The PCC will be meeting again on **23rd March**.

Fellowship Coffee Morning

As mentioned above, **EVERYONE** is invited to join us for coffee, cake and fellowship in the Christian Centre on **Saturday 12th February** between 10:00am and 12:00pm. For further information speak to Penny.

Coffee Morning
Everyone Welcome



Experience the POWER of service in the kitchen!

How? Simple... Speak to Michele who will encourage your gifting using the elements of water, detergent and fine linen tea cloths. All are welcome!

Little Church

On Sundays, (except for 'All-Age' Services), there is provision, in the Christian Centre, for children (3 years to the end of Primary). Parents, Grandparents or



This week		
Date	Time	Event
Mon 24th	7:30pm	Monday Online Fellowship Group (Zoom) - For more information speak to Andrew.
Tue 25th	9:45am	Little Rascals Toddler Group - The group meets in St. Paul's Christian Centre from 9:45am to 11:30am each Tuesday in school term time.
Wed 26th	10:15am	Holy Communion BCP (Book of Common Prayer) - Rev. Dozie Moneme.
Thu 27th	2:15pm	Ladies Fellowship - Meets in the Christian Centre for fellowship and Bible study. More information from Mary or Margaret P.
Next week		
Sun 30th	10:00am	Word and Worship Service - Rev. Dozie Moneme.
Tue 1st Feb	9:45am	Little Rascals Toddler Group - The group meets in St. Paul's Christian Centre from 9:45am to 11:30am each Tuesday in school term time.
Wed 2nd	10:15am	Holy Communion BCP (Book of Common Prayer) - Rev. Dozie Moneme.
Thu 3rd	10:30am 2:15pm	Funeral - John Goddard. Ladies Fellowship - Meets in the Christian Centre for fellowship and Bible study. More information from Mary or Margaret P.
Fri 4th	12:30pm	Intercessory Prayer Meeting - In the church.
Sat 5th	10:00am	Prayer for Israel & the Middle East.
Dates for your diary		
Sat 12th	10:00am	St. Paul's - Fellowship Coffee Morning (10:00am - 12:00noon) in the Christian Centre.
Sun 27th	9:30am on	Breakfast Church (Bring & Share).

Guardians can bring them to the Centre just before 10:00am. **Please come and collect them at 10:40am to join the service in the church**

St. Paul's Intercessory Prayer Meeting

If you have a heart to pray and stand in the gap for our church, community, and nation, we have a new meeting that all are welcome to attend. It is from 12.30am to 1.30pm in the church, on the first Friday of each month.

Is God calling you to be part of this invaluable ministry in these crucial days? Fasting is preferred if able, and social distancing and all precautions will be in place for your safety.

If My people who are called by My Name, will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

2 Chron 7 v 14 NIV

Session 3 of Pam Yates's A Call to Prayer - "Seven Ingredients for Successful Intercession" is attached. You can find Session 1 "Why Pray" and Session 2 "What is Intercession" on the News & Events page of the church website.

Offering / Giving

Thank you for your giving to the work at St. Paul's. If you have not yet committed to regular giving, we would ask you to prayerfully seek God's will regarding this.

Ways to Give: You can put your offering in the offering bag or the plate at the back of the church.

Set up a Standing Order from your bank, you can request a form from Penny (our treasurer), or [download one from our website](#). Just fill it in and give (or post) it to her or phone her for more details or to arrange for your form to be collected.

If you use online banking, you can give to St. Paul's by **Bank Transfer or by setting up a Standing Order**. Details of the church bank account are:

Bank: **NatWest Newport Isle of Wight** Account Name: **Parochial Church Council of St. Pauls, Barton Parish** Sort Code: **54-10-34** Account Number: **92513263**

If you are a tax payer and have not filled in a **Gift Aid Form** these are available from Penny or [on the church website](#).

New to St. Paul's? You are very welcome...

Our usual Sunday services are very simple - an opening hymn, a time of prayer and confession, a talk, followed by a time of worship and prayers then (twice a month) we have Holy Communion (all are welcome) and finally, a closing hymn.



There is an offering plate at the back of the church, we welcome contributions but please don't feel obliged to give! If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian speak to Rev. Dozie or Andrew and Josephine our Churchwardens.

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