

St. Paul's News

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St. Paul's Barton - Sunday 27.02.22
Sunday next before Lent

Welcome...

To our **Word & Worship Service** today. Our speaker is Andrew Day.

Covid Update...

The Bishop of London has responded to the announcement made on 21st February by the Prime Minister setting out the Government's plans including lifting remaining Covid-19 restrictions.



Bishop Sarah Mullally, who chairs the Church of England's Covid Recovery Group, said: "The Prime Minister's announcement that Covid-19 restrictions are being lifted holds out the hopeful prospect of the end of the pandemic but will nonetheless raise concerns for some.

"The last two years have challenged us again and again but also taught us how we can do many things differently and heightened our awareness of how we transmit disease.

"People have made huge sacrifices and I would like, again, to say thank you to our NHS and front-line workers, our clergy, parish volunteers and congregations for

all you have done.

"Your actions - whether noticed or unnoticed, big or small - have been the glue which has held our communities and our nation together during this time of great need.

"I recognise the pandemic has had a major impact on people's well-being, and the need to look out for each other is as great if not greater than ever.

"Although the legal restrictions are being lifted, there may be good reason for us to take some measures as individuals and as local churches. I am conscious that some people with medical conditions will be more fearful now that compulsory isolation for those who are likely to be infectious is ending and we should not lose our focus on the most vulnerable.

"We've much to be thankful for - not least the vaccines which have been a real answer to prayer. They are more vital than ever, both here and around the world."

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The Bishop of London

New Sermon Series - Galatians

Next week will be starting a new Spring Sermon series looking at the New Testament book of Galatians. This teaching will be complemented with studies on the passages in our Monday, Tuesday, Ladies and Friday Fellowship Groups.

Sunday 6th March

The start of our study of Galatians
Study 1 - Galatians 1:1-9.

Sunday 13th March

Study 2 - Galatians 1:10-24.

Sunday 20th March

Study 3 - Galatians 2:1-10.

Sunday 27th March

Study 4 - Galatians 2:11-21.

Sunday 3rd April

Study 5 - Galatians 3:1-14.

Sunday 24th April

Study 6 - Galatians 3:26-4:7.

Sunday 1st May

Study 7 - Galatians 5:16-25.

For more information speak to Rev. Dozie.



Fellowship
Coffee Morning
Saturday 12 March



10am to 12noon
In the Christian Centre
Join us if you can!

Church Finance

Following Rev. Dozie's sermon talking about money last Sunday and an update on our church finances from Penny our Treasurer, you will find more information about this attached.

Details of our budgeted expenditure along with information about Parish Share payable to the Diocese of Portsmouth (65% of our expenditure) are included.

If you would like to know more or have any questions do speak to Penny.

Your giving to the Lord's work through St. Paul's is much appreciated and details of how you can make your offerings are set out below. With the re-introduction of the offering bag circulating in our services, a reminder that envelopes for weekly giving are available from Penny if you wish to make your offering in this way.

General fund - expenditure budget 2022

	£	
Giving (excluding tithe for last year)	300	0.60%
Parish Share to Diocese	32,290	65.07%
Ministry	1,600	3.22%
Mission and outreach	500	1.01%
Home groups, children and young people	400	0.81%
Costs of services	1,000	2.02%
Piano and organ tuning	400	0.81%
Sundry expenses and training	600	1.21%
Administration and licences	2,300	4.64%
Equipment	500	1.01%
Church building - electricity, water and insurance	3,922	7.90%
Church building - cleaning and maintenance	1,500	3.02%
Use of St Paul's Christian Centre	3,000	6.05%
Professional fees	1,310	2.64%
Total expenditure for the year	49,622	100.00%

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](#).

World Day of Prayer

Praying for England, Wales & Northern Ireland
In the church at St. Paul's.

"A Service for Everyone"

Friday 4th March at 10:30am

For more information speak to Margaret P.



World Day of Prayer
England, Wales, & Northern Ireland

St. Paul's Intercessory Prayer Meeting

**Revised date for intercessory prayer meeting:
Friday 11th March 12:30pm to 1:30pm in the church.**

Young People's Bible Study

There will be a Young People's Bible Study in the Christian Centre on the **first Wednesday of each month between 7:30pm and 8:30pm**. Rev. Dozie with the assistance of parents and Gisele will be hosting and leading.

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 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

New *New* *New*

Friday Fellowship Group

There will be a new weekly "in person" study group starting on **Friday 11th March at 10:30am** in the Christian Centre led by Margaret N.

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.

This week		
Date	Time	Event
Tue 1st	9:45am	SHROVE TUESDAY 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	10:15 7:30pm	ASH WEDNESDAY Holy Communion - Rev Dozie Moneme. Young People's Bible Study - Christian Centre.
Thu 3rd	2:15pm	Ladies Fellowship - Meets in the Christian Centre for fellowship and Bible study. More information from Mary or Margaret P.
Fri 4th	10:30am	World Day of Prayer (Praying for England, Wales & Northern Ireland) in the church at St. Paul's. "A Service for Everyone" For more information speak to Margaret P.
Sat 5th	10:00am	Prayer for Israel & the Middle East - In the church 10:00am - 11:00am.
Next week		
Sun 6th	10:00am	All-Age Worship - Rev. Dozie Moneme. The start of our study of Galatians - Ch1:1-9.
Mon 7th	7:30pm	Monday Fellowship Group - For more information speak to Andrew.
Tue 8th	9:45am 7:30pm	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. Tuesday Fellowship Group - For more information speak to Rev. Dozie.
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Thu 10th	2:15pm	Ladies Fellowship - Meets in the Christian Centre for fellowship and Bible study. More information from Mary or Margaret P.
Fri 11th	10:30am 12:30pm	***NEW*** Friday Fellowship Group (Weekly 10:30am - 12:30pm in the Christian Centre). For more information please speak to Margaret N. Intercessory Prayer Meeting - In the church 12:30pm - 1:30pm.
Sat 12th	10:00am	Fellowship Coffee Morning - in the Christian Centre 10:00am - 12:00pm.
Dates for your diary		
Wed 16th	7:00pm	Isle of Wight Deanery Synod Meeting - Newport Minster. Our Reps are Di & Kevin.
Wed 23rd	7:30pm	PCC Meeting.
Sun 27th		MOTHERING SUNDAY

THE COLLECTION

WHAT SHOULD YOU PUT IN?



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