

St Paul's Church, Slough

Advance Notices #37

IMPORTANT :
SERVICE STARTS
AT 10am
Please arrive early
to be seated

**Sunday Services will now be held at
10.00am in the Church or join us LIVE on
You Tube, online [click here](#)**

**AT CHURCH SERVICES PLEASE WEAR A FACE COVERING AND
READ THE SERVICE GUIDELINES - SEE INSIDE**

SUNDAY 13th September: 2nd Sunday

Theme	The Wicked Tenant Mark 12: 1 –12
Preacher	Ian
Leaders	Helen
Prayers	Ray

Our Sunday service is available from 2pm on any of the following

Website at <https://stpaulsslough.org.uk/> and follow the link.

YouTube Account at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/StPaulsChurch1906>

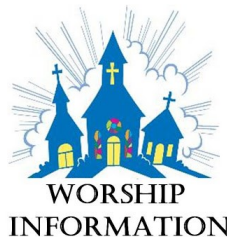
Facebook account at: <https://en-gb.facebook.com/stpaulsslough/>

Can we politely remind you

We can only listen to recorded songs, **no singing is allowed** during worship
in the church

After the service please **do not stay chatting** in the church or car park.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR CHURCH SERVICES DURING CORONOVIRUS



Our arrangements are based on guidelines issued by the Government and the Church of England and so it is **important that we all follow them.**

Out of respect for the Law, the Church leadership and in consideration of the health and safety of your friends at this meeting, we therefore seek your full cooperation in complying with the following:

- **2 metre social distancing** is mandatory so only **up 50 people**, plus those taking part, are allowed to assemble in the Church.
- Please provide a name and contact details (kept confidentially for 21Days).
- Please follow the marked one-way system in and out of Church and leave progressively at the end of the meeting as directed to avoid congestion, and keep socially distanced at all times, in the church, the foyer and car park.
- Please do not go anywhere or touch anything you don't need to!
- Remember the service starts at 10am. Arriving late is disruptive to the service and the congregation, and we may have to turn you away if the places are all taken. Remember there will not be the opportunity to socialise afterwards.
- Walk to the event if you can and do not use the car park unless you have to. The car park gate may be closed when it is full.
- **Please wear a face covering, over mouth and nose** – This is now compulsory in enclosed spaces unless you have a good reason.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR CHURCH SERVICES DURING CORONAVIRUS

- **Hand sanitiser will be available and must be used** on entering and leaving.
- We only listen to recorded songs, **no singing or raised voices are permitted.**
- There will be **no food or refreshments.**
- After the service **please do not stay chatting in the building or car park.**
- Subject to technical issues we hope to make on-line recordings available.
- No collection bag will be passed around - offerings may be put in a box.

- **If you are ill in any way at all, please stay at home.** Certain groups of people may be at increased risk from COVID-19, including people who are aged 70 or older, regardless of medical conditions. Individuals in these groups are advised to stay at home as much as possible and, if they do go out, to take particular care to minimise contact with others outside of their household. If you are in these groups, the decision to attend is yours alone.

Thank you

VICAR HOMEMAKER APPEAL

Thank you to those who have donated furniture and contributed to the Appeal Fund and to all the volunteers who helped with getting the vicarage ready for Tim's arrival.

The Appeal Fund is still open if you would like to contribute to the cost of equipping and decorating the Vicarage, and although the Oxford Diocese is paying for some of this, we will need to pay the difference.

You can help by contributing to our Vicar Appeal Fund for all this. Ways to contribute are:

- **Bank Transfer** using the church bank details below and stating 'Vicar Appeal' as the payment reference.
- **By Cheque:** made out to 'St Paul's Parish' and put it in an envelope marked 'Vicar Appeal' and either put in the collection on Sunday or post to the Parish Administrator, St.Paul's Church, 130 Stoke Road, Slough, SL2 3AS
- **By Cash:** Put in an envelope in the collection on Sunday or post it by hand through Nadeem's letterbox at 132 Stoke Road – PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH THROUGH THE POST. Write "Vicar Appeal" on the front of the envelope.



If you are a taxpayer please Gift Aid your donation, write 'Gift Aid' on the envelope with your name or email parishadmin@stpaulsslough.org.uk saying you wish for your donation to be Gift Aided and say how much you donated and when.

Any money left from the Appeal after purchasing all the items that are needed, will be put towards the cost of other Vicar related items and work.

Thank you for your anticipated generous response.

SERVICE OF INSTITUTION



The service of Institution for our new Vicar the Rt Revd Timothy Wambunya was held last Monday 7th September 2020 by Zoom Video Conference. The image above is an extract from the call.

The service was led by Archdeacon of Buckingham Guy Elsmore (3rd row 2nd from right) with the presentation and address by Revd Canon John Dunnett (General Director of the Church Pastoral Aid Society) (top RH corner) as Patron.

A recording of the service is on the St Paul's YouTube Channel at <https://youtu.be/Pp8cn4xhxVc>

We are delighted that Bishop Tim is now licenced as our Vicar and we look forward to him getting into the swing of things in the parish in the weeks once his quarantine ends.

Giving is Worship
GIVING BACK TO THE ONE WHO FIRST GAVE

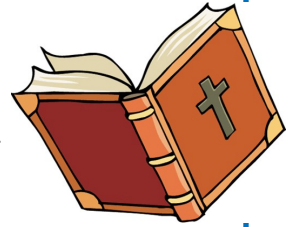
St. Paul's Church bank account
Sort Code: 60-19-28
Account number: 01814605
<https://www.give.net/20187976>
Thanks

Deanery Learning Opportunities - Presentation Skills

Presentation Skills 2 day course with Christina Walker

September 16th & 23rd at 3 pm via Zoom.

If you would like to improve your presentation style (in-person and online), reading & speaking in public. Christina Walker, a professional voice & singing coach, and long-time Christian & experienced church-goer, is offering this 'open' workshop on a variety of topics.



Participants are asked to think about what they would like to improve and what bothers them in worship!

Please contact Revd Sue Lepp if you are interested.

Tel: 07930520562

Email: revdsuelepp@gmail.com

Stoke Poges Men's Group

Bring your own Bacon

Men's Breakfast on Saturday

26th September commencing at 9:00am.



The speaker at this month's meeting will be Michael Cooper, the National Director of Christian Vision for Men (CVM), the organisation that our men's group is affiliated to.

Michael has had a varied career initially in RAF Air Defence Systems and then in 'civvy street' where he enjoyed a number of technical, managerial and commercial roles in IT and Business Continuity.

Further details about him can be found in the breakfast flyer

Contact Tony Shortman to book your place and obtain details on how to join the meeting by web link or phone.

Tel: 01844 350014

Email: tony-mavis@shortman.eclipse.co.uk

CAMPAIGNERS

We are part of a National Christian Organisation (The Campaigners England & Wales) where our main aim is to lead the children & young people to a faith in Jesus Christ.

We have 4 age groups that meet during school term time only in the Gilliat Hall on the following days:

Mondays 7.00 - 8.00pm Crosstrax School years 6 - 8 Delta School years 9 - 13	Thursdays 6.15 - 7.15pm Eagles Age 4-end of School Year 1 Junos School years 2 - 5
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Both groups will only meet for an hour and social distancing arrangement will be in place.

We have lots of activities relevant to the particular age group.

You are welcome to take your child to the relevant age group.

If you want any more information please ring Maureen Cottrell on 01753 512243 or 07901 710204.

A MESSAGE FROM WAYNE DIXON...

...for anyone interested in reaching out to the 95 - that's the 95% of children and young people who have no contact whatsoever with church.

...You are invited to: "REVEALING JESUS"

- Wednesday 14th October 2020
- 7.30pm
- Online & Free

" We're launching a brand new mission framework to help the church connect and journey with the 95 "

Details: www.su.org.uk/revealingjesusevent



ST. PAULS CHURCH
SLOUGH



ANNUAL PAROCHIAL MEETING 2020
SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER

PLEASE CHECK YOUR DETAILS
ON THE LIST DISPLAYED IN THE CHURCH

IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO COME TO THE CHURCH,
PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE TO CHECK
OR TO ASK FOR AN APPLICATION FORM WHICH
WE CAN SEND TO YOU.

An updated list must be published by 20 September so please
check or apply before then.

Thank you

Contact: Judy, 01753 531022 or
parishadmin@stpaulsslough.org.uk

GIVING TO THE CHURCH

A message from Ray

Firstly, thank you to all of you who continued with your giving whilst we could not hold services either by using online banking or the giving facility on the church website.

Although we are now able to attend church services again, I would encourage those who have used online banking to continue to do so – rather than reverting to cash or cheques placed in the collection at church. It reduces the administration and also saves money on our bank charges, because the fee the bank imposes is less than their handling cash or cheques! Even better, why not set up a Standing Order – just contact Judy in the church office and she will send you the form to use.

If you cannot use online banking and are unable to attend a Sunday service, then please do use the website facility rather than just saving up the cash to give at some future date. A regular flow of money into the church is important to keep things ticking over smoothly.

Handling cash & cheques presents both an administrative burden and H&S issues, particularly during the Covid crisis as it could aid passing on infection and also someone has to queue at the bank (who are operating limited hours and till positions) which exposes that person to further risk.

Having said that, should you have been saving up your giving, are unable to use online or the website and intend to come to church on Sunday, please do bring it with you as there will be a collection box in church which you can put it in. A cheque is preferable to cash (which could have been handled by many people).

As ever, if you need any help or advice please do speak to myself, Chris, Kevin, or Judy and we will do our best to assist you.

Ray Lewis
Treasurer

PATHWAYS MAGAZINE

The latest edition of *Pathways* is out now. Issue 5 focusses on the climate emergency and it's a digital-only edition, [download the PDF](#) or [read the articles online here](#).

Pathways is published by the Oxford Diocese for its church members. If you are unable to read it online and would like one, please contact me in the office. 01753 531 022.



Private prayer in church

You are welcome to come to the church for private individual prayer in the Prayer Room.

The church will be open on Wednesdays between 10 and 11. Nadeem will be here to welcome you.

If you prefer please contact him on Tel 07578 200784 or email nazam05@hotmail.co.uk



RESOURCES FOR PRAYER AND WORSHIP

In addition to our own online service on Sunday, the Advance Notices and the Prayer Email there are many other resources to help us worship and pray. Here are just a few.

[OXFORD DIOCESE](#) website has many resources to help us pray and worship in our homes. Please visit their website for the full list, Here are few of the ones available.

[OXFORD SUNDAY SERVICES](#) - to join the live streamed worship for the Diocese on Sundays .

Visit other churches in the Diocese that are streaming services, including ours at St Paul's [here](#).

Find online or other information from churches nearby (including St Paul's) at A Church Near You [here](#).

[DAILY PRAYER](#) from The Church of England.

[DAILY SERVICES](#) from The Church of England.

[BBC Radio 4](#) - Daily broadcast at 9.45am of Christian music and worship. (You will need to sign up for a BBC account)

[UCB Radio](#) - Music-based radio with news, current affairs, short talks, features and the latest Christian hits. A team of presenters also talk about faith in everyday life.

Bible Reading Resources

There are many online resources, and these are the ones that Helen recommends

[Scripture Union](#)

[Bible Reading Fellowship](#)

[Crusade for World Revival](#)

[United Christian Broadcasters](#)