



ST PAUL'S PARISH CHURCH, HOOK

*Our mission is to worship
God, to grow as disciples,
to love and care for all,
and to reach out with the
good news of Jesus Christ.*

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Notices for Sunday 30th November – 1st Sunday of Advent

Our Church Warden for 30th Nov is Simon.

Our Bible Readings for 30th November are: Isaiah 2: v1-5 & Matt 24: v36-44

SERVICES - NEXT 2 WEEKS

27th Nov - Thurs HC with Jen
Sun 30th Nov - 10am Communion service
4th Dec - Thurs HC with Carolyn
Sun 7th Dec - 8.45am said HC with Carolyn
-10am All Age Worship

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

16th: Angie Jones. 17th: Chloe is 5! 22nd: Joy.
25th: Cassandra. 27th: Jeanne is 95

CHRISTMAS CARD LEAFLETS

**WELL DONE TO ALL. WE SUCCESSFULLY
DELIVERED TO EVERY HOUSE IN THE
PARISH....OVER 4,000. EVERYONE
PULLED TOGETHER TO ACCOMPLISH
THIS, INCLUDING STAFF AND PUPILS AT
ST PAUL'S PRIMARY AND
SOUTHBOROUGH HIGH SCHOOLS.**



Winter Fair – Sat 22nd Nov

Well done to everyone who helped in any way to help make the Fair an absolute success. It was well attended despite the weather! And there was a lovely atmosphere throughout. It raised approx. £1400 after deducting expenses. Well done Natalie and all the volunteers.

Advent – The four Sundays and Themes of Advent

Advent 1 (purple) – The Patriarchs & Matriarchs / Hope

Advent 2 (purple) – The Prophets / Peace

Advent 3 (pink) – John the Baptist / Joy

Advent 4 (purple) – The Virgin Mary / Love

Christmas Day (white) – The Christ



Future Dates

Sat 29th Nov - St Paul's Primary School Christmas Fair, 12-3pm.

Mon 1st Dec - NO KNIT AND NATTER

Sat 6th Dec - 9.30am-12.00 - Decorate the Church, followed by Soup & Roll lunch (12 - 1.30pm) in memory of Ian Reid - All welcome.

Mon 8th Dec - 9.15am - School Christmas Dress Rehearsal (followed by refreshments) All welcome. Please let Church office know if you would like to attend, but you can just turn up on the day too.

Sun 14th Dec - We will be holding our **Nativity Service**, which will be *written and directed by our young people*. We would love to encourage as many children & young people to be involved in acting, singing, being part of the ensemble, or helping to make props. If you know a child (family, friend or neighbour) who might be keen to be involved, they just need to be able to commit to coming along on the 3 preceding Sundays (23 Nov, 30 Nov & 7 Dec) and to the **Nativity play on 14th Dec during our 10am service**. We would love to see some new faces! For more info, or to let us know of a child who might like to take part, *please let Jen or Alison F know, or email the office*.

Sun 14th Dec - MIDDAY - There will be a short Holy Communion service after the Nativity and refreshments.

Sun 14th Dec - 6.30pm - Community Carol service.

16 days Activism Against Gender-Based Violence & Abuse – This is an annual United Nations international campaign which takes place from 25th November until 10th December, calling for prevention and elimination of violence against women & girls. Mothers' Union (MU) joins with organisations worldwide in this campaign. MU in Southwark supports this initiative by supporting the **Red Chair Project** whereby we reserve a chair in a place where we can all see it. It highlights the project and acts as a visual symbol of those no longer with us, the partners, mothers, sisters, daughters & friends lost to gender-based violence. You will see our **Red Chair** at the very front of Church by the Lectern. Please pray for this campaign.

Marion Puttock - Our dear friend Marion has moved to Leatherhead, to be nearer her daughter. Marion has given permission for her new contact details to be in these notices, so her St Paul's family can keep in touch: **14 Birchgrove, Christ Church Apartments, Epsom Road, Leatherhead, KT22 8ST.**
Tel: 01372 851119 / 07986 158734.

St Paul's Church Emergency Contact List - We are following our Team Churches in compiling a list of all our members and an emergency name and number for every member. There are forms at the back of Church for you to fill out with details of your next of kin, or someone close. A compiled list will be created and kept in a safe, accessible place for wardens to access in an **emergency situation only**. They **WILL NOT** be on display anywhere for all to see, keeping in line with GDPR rules. **PLEASE FILL ONE IN.**
WE ONLY HAVE 29 FORMS - WE NEED ONE FOR EVERYONE.

LOST BIBLE - In Church we have found an A5 size Bible with leather cover with flower on front. It has the name **JENNY OLIVER** inside. Please claim if it is yours.

Archive Anecdotes – November 1980.

Grace

It was an important occasion for the Sunday School. The Archbishop was coming to see the children and they were told if they spoke to the Reverend gentleman, they must say "Your Grace". When the Archbishop arrived, he patted a little girl on the head, and before he could ask her name, she stood up and solemnly said: "For what I am about to receive, may the Lord make me truly thankful. Amen."

Click [HERE](#) to read online the Diocese of Southwark November Edition of The Bridge.

Foodbank - The donation box is available at the **BACK OF CHURCH**. Kingston Foodbank would also appreciate any money donations via their website: <https://kingston.foodbank.org.uk> **MANY THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT.**

- **KCAH** - helping the homeless or those in danger of becoming so. To donate visit:
<https://www.kcah.org.uk/can-you-help-us/donate-money/>
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Chessington & Hook Voluntary Support urgently needs volunteer drivers. They have been providing transport assistance to the elderly and less mobile members of our community for over 40 years, enabling them to continue to attend medical, social and other essential appointments where they have no other source of help. Can you help? If so please phone 020 8397 6298. The office is open at the Hook Centre from 9am-12pm, Monday-Friday, if you would like to call in and find out more.

The King's Storeroom (Christian books & cards) at the Richard Mayo Centre United Reform Church, Eden St, Kingston KT1 1HZ Tel: 020 8390 5400 online: www.the kingsstoreroom.org

Some of our services, will now be available on our YouTube channel. You can find this by doing a search for "St Paul's Church, Hook" or follow this link: <https://www.youtube.com/@stpaulschurchhook>
Please make sure you are looking at our new channel with the cross logo.



WE HAVE THREE WAYS OF 'GIVING' TO ST PAUL'S CHURCH:

- Directly through our bank account. Sort Code: 60-21-05 Account No: 96897856 Account Name: PCC of St Paul's Hook.
- Through 'Paypal' via our website www.stpaulschurchhook.org.uk and click on the
- 'donate to St Paul's link' or using the QR Code
- Through contactless card payments using the machine by the main church doors.

Please also complete a Gift Aid form, available at the back of church or from the Parish Office, if you are a taxpayer. YOUR SUPPORT IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.

