

## Sunday 23 November 2025

## **CHRIST THE KING**

**Welcome!** If you here for the first time please introduce yourself to a member of the clergy or welcome team, and email us at welcome@spwh.org

## **Today's services**

8am Said Eucharist				
Celebrant	Mthr Lyanne Beckerson			
Preacher	Mthr Lyanne Beckerson			

9.15am Joyful Noise Eucharist				
Celebrant	Alison Perera			
Preacher	Fr Daniel Sandham			
Texts for this service are on the screen				

10.30am Sung Eucharist					
Celebrant	Fr Daniel Sandham				
Preacher	Mthr Lyanne Beckerson				
Entrance hymn	223 All hail the power of Jesu's name				
Offertory hymn	227 Crown him with many crowns				
Anthem	O pray for the peace of Jerusalem - Sir John Goss (1800-1880)				
Communion hymn	489 From heaven you came				
	164 You are the king of glory				
Recessional hymn	hymn 617 Come, sing the praise of Jesus				
Organ postlude	Morceau Symphonique, Opus 75/2 - Alexandre Guilmant (1837-				
	1911)				

I2pm Holy Baptism	
Lucia Godfrey	

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## Today's readings

#### Joyful Noise

Matthew 25.31-40 The Son of Man will come again in his great glory. All his angels will come with him. He will be King and sit on his great throne. All the people of the world will be gathered before him. Then he will separate them into two groups as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. The Son of Man will put the sheep, the good people, on his right and the goats, the bad people, on his left. Then the King will say to the good people on his right, 'Come. My Father has given you his blessing. Come and receive the kingdom God has prepared for you since the world was made. I was hungry, and you gave me food. I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink. I was alone and away from home, and you invited me into your house. I was without clothes, and you gave me something to wear. I was sick, and you cared for me. I was in prison, and you visited me.' Then the good people will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and give you food? When did we see you thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you alone and away from home and invite you into our house? When did we see you without clothes and give you something to wear? When did we see you sick or in prison and care for you?' Then the King will answer, 'I tell you the truth. Anything you did for any of my people here, you also did for me.'

#### Said and Sung Eucharist

Jeremiah 23.1-6 Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. 2 Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. 3 Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. 4 I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. 6 In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'





The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

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God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble; Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains tremble in the heart of the sea;

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Though the waters rage and swell, and though the mountains quake at the towering seas. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place of the dwelling of the Most High.

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God is in the midst of her; therefore shall she not be removed; God shall help her at the break of day. The nations are in uproar and the kingdoms are shaken, but God utters his voice and the earth shall melt away.

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Luke 23.33-43 When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.' And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

#### **Notices**

ADVENT SUNDAY The church's season of Advent starts on Sunday 30 November:

- + All-Together Eucharist at 10am replaces our usual 9.15am and 10.30am services.
- + Advent Carol Service at 6pm is a special liturgy including a procession of light, beautiful Advent readings, and lovely music.

KEEPING ADVENT Advent is a season of preparation and expectation infused with the hope which Christ brings. Here at St Paul's we have:

- + An Advent Quiet afternoon I-4pm on Saturday 6 December, in the church. It will include meditations, prayers, songs and some quiet activities. Light refreshments will be available from I2.30 and you are also welcome to bring a sandwich with you. Please bring your journal and a blanket if you get cold. This event is not suitable for children. Please book your place by emailing pastoral@spwh.org
- + Lectio Divina on Wednesdays 3, 10 and 17 December at 12pm, in church, preceding our 12.30pm Eucharist. (See poster.)

Also in the area:

- + Enfield Deanery is holding Advent Conversations on Tuesdays in Advent 7.30pm-8.30pm, both in person at St Peter's, Edmonton, and on Zoom. Contact our Parish Office for more details.
- + St Peter's, Grange Park, is hosting an Advent Quiet Day on Saturday 29 November, 10.30am-3.30pm. More details on their website.

NEW TREASURER NEEDED Alison Atkins will step down from the role of PCC Treasurer in May 2026. This is a vital volunteer role at St Paul's. It could be done by one person, or by two or three people splitting up the various parts of the role. If you have accountancy, bookkeeping or financial experience and are interesting in serving the parish in this way, please get in touch with Fr Daniel at vicar@spwh.org and/or Alison at treasurer@spwh.org

CHRISTMAS 2025 At Christmas we celebrate the birth of Jesus, God's gift of himself to the world! Make sure all these dates are in your diaries, and invite your families, friends and neighbours to encounter the love of Christ. See posters for details.

CAROLS ON THE GREEN Wednesday 17 December at 5.30-6.45pm. One of the highlights of the St Paul's year, this event attracts hundreds of people and raises funds for both Crisis and All People All Places. If you are able to volunteer at this event please contact Mthr Lyanne.

# This week's diary

Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer are usually said publicly in church Monday-Thursday at 9.10am and 5pm. Everyone is welcome. The church is normally open every day for prayer, reflection and visitors.

Day		Observance	Time	Service/event	Prayer intention
Sunday	23	CHRIST THE KING	8am 9.15am 10.30am	Said Eucharist Joyful Noise Sung Eucharist with Sunday school Holy Baptism	Our parish and its people
Monday	24				Those suffering with dementia
Tuesday	25		9am	School Eucharist	St Paul's School
Wednesday	26		12.30pm 1.30pm	Eucharist Toddler Group	Victims of slavery
Thursday	27				Local businesses
Friday	28		7.30pm	Choir practice	Our fundraising efforts
Saturday	29				Victims of poverty
Sunday	30	ADVENT SUNDAY	8am <u>10am</u> 6pm	Said Eucharist All-Together Eucharist Advent Carol Service	Our parish and its people