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Dear Friends

I write this letter just a few days before Fr Pete is ordained a priest in God's church by the Bishop of Edmonton. By the time you read this letter he will, God willing, be exercising this priestly ministry among us. It is a wonderful moment not only for him, but for all of us as, we rejoice in God's call on his life.

At the beginning of the liturgy of ordination, the Bishop will tell us that

Priests are ordained to lead God's people in the offering of praise and the proclamation of the gospel. They share with the Bishop in the oversight of the Church, delighting in its beauty and rejoicing in its well-being.

I'm not sure that I've ever really taken notice of this line about the church's beauty and well-being. Quite often – and remember that we're talking about the church as the people here, not the building! – the church doesn't appear to be very beautiful, particularly when we lament over our own Church of England's failings in the areas of safeguarding and racial justice. Quite often its well-being isn't very good either, especially when we read about the decline in churchgoing in the UK and the West more generally.

It's important then that priests take to heart not only the call to lament over failings, to challenge injustice, and to make new disciples, but also, where beauty and well-being are to be found, to delight and rejoice in them. My prayer for Fr Pete is that his ministry may be characterised by delighting in the church's deep, holy beauty, and rejoicing in a well-being that belongs both to the institution and to its members. There is much to delight and rejoice in here at St Paul's, so he's off to a good start.

I also pray that this may be something which all of us can do. It's easy to be glass-half-full about the life of the church, or to be nostalgic in such a way that prevents us from celebrating the present. I know only too well that I can be guilty of this. But God calls us to be people of hope, constantly looking to a future which is better and brighter. This is the Christian way! May we, with Fr Pete, find new delight in the beauty of the church, and rejoice in its well-being.

With love and prayers Fr Daniel

Services in July 2023



Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer are said publically Monday-Thursday at 9am and 5pm

The church is open for private prayer Monday-Thursday from 9am to 5.15pm

Day	Date	Observance	Time	Services	Prayer Intention
S	I				Victims of addiction
S	2	The FOURTH SUNDAY after TRINITY	8am 9.15am 10.30am	Said Eucharist Joyful Noise Eucharist Sung Eucharist	Our parish and its people
М	3	St Thomas the Apostle	9am	Eucharist	Sarah, our Bishop, and Jonathan, Acting Bishop of Edmonton
Т	4				The appointment of the next Bishop of Edmonton
W	5		12.30pm	Eucharist	St Michael and All Angels, Negage
Т	6		9am	St Paul's School Eucharist	Our school
F	7				Refugees
S	8		1		The bereaved
S	9	The FIFTH SUNDAY after TRINITY	8am 9.15am 10.30am 12noon	Said Eucharist Joyful Noise Sung Eucharist Holy Baptism	Our parish and its people
М	10			, ,	General Synod
Т	11	St Benedict			The Order of St Benedict
W	12		12.30pm	Eucharist	Our MP and councillors
Т	13		12.30pm	Funeral	Farming and agriculture
F	14		· ·		Interfaith dialogue
S	15	St Swithum			Meteorologists
S	16	The SIXTH SUNDAY after TRINITY	8am <u>10am</u>	Said Eucharist All-Together Eucharist	Our parish and its people
М	17			-	Our Ministry Team
Т	18		6pm	St Paul's School Leavers' Service	Those leaving school, college or university
W	19	St Gregory and St Macrina	12.30pm	Eucharist	Ecumenism
Т	20				The Mothers' Union
F	21				Peace in Ukraine
S	22	St Mary Magdalene	10am 12noon	Eucharist Wedding	Women's rights
S	23	The SEVENTH SUNDAY after TRINITY	8am 9.15am 10.30am 12noon	Said Eucharist Joyful Noise Sung Eucharist Holy Baptism	Our parish and its people
М	24				Those travelling
Т	25	St James the Apostle	9am	Eucharist	Pilgrims
W	26	St Anne and St Joachim	12.30pm	Eucharist	Grandparents
Т	27				The medical profession
F	28				Family life
S	29	Ss Mary, Martha and Lazarus	1		Our volunteers
S	30	The EIGHTH SUNDAY after TRINITY	8am 9.15am	Said Eucharist Joyful Noise Eucharist Sung Eucharist	Our parish and its people
			10.30am	Sung Eucharist	Parish staff

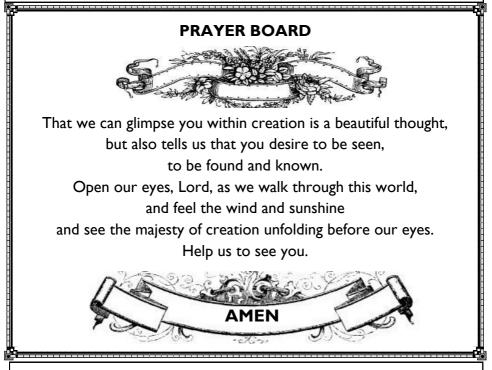
Services times are subject to change. Please contact the Parish Office for details.

Contact the clergy if you would like to speak to someone regarding your spiritual life, or to make use of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession)

JULY 2023 FLOWER ROTA

8 th July	Adele Houldsworth
I 5 th July	Sally Shearman
22 nd July	Elaine Bunce
29 th July	Sharon Saunders

Our Flower Arranging Organizer, Adele Houldsworth, would be pleased to hear from anyone who would like to join the team, both experienced flower arrangers and people who would like to develop their skills. To contact Adele ring 020 8360 3676.



HALL HIRE

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Traditional Summer Buffet catered by Cooking Champions

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Side Salmon with dill & lemon mayonnaise Slow cooked pulled pork with homemade apple sauce

Homemade sausage rolls Selection of different quiches (v) Herbed potato salad (vegan) Seasonal coleslaw (v)

Roasted vegetables and lemon orzo (vegan) Broccoli salad with mature cheddar cheese & bacon

Rainbow heirloom tomato tart (v) Honey & whole grain mustard sausages



Dessert

SERVICE OF BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION AND RECEPTION INTO THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

During his last visit to St Paul's on 11th June, and before taking up the position of CEO of the charity The Church Urban Fund, the Bishop of Edmonton presided at all three of our Sunday services.

The last service that day was our annual service of Baptism, Confirmation and Reception into the Church of England. During this service, one member of our congregation was baptised, eighteen were confirmed and seven were received into the Church of England.



It was wonderful to witness so many members of our church community confirming their Christian beliefs as part of their journey of faith.







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These are some reflections from members of the adult Confirmation Group this year:

'Being a part of confirmation has taught me so much. Much more than I expected. A journey I want to continue and share with people. It honestly has been the most beautiful six months of my life and I cherish each moment that I have spent. Sunday is a day I will always remember. I look forward to continuing my journey.'

'My experience was very good. I enjoyed the fellowship, the wisdom of the teachers and the content too. It was a good summary of what it means to be a Christian.'

'My reflection on preparing for confirmation: Peaceful, purposeful, an ability to connect with Jesus, the calendar of Jesus and the church. It was joyful and strengthened me as a Christian, giving me a greater understanding.'

'The day exceeded my expectations and the service was beautiful and Powerful. I felt closer to my faith and it was a great beginning to my journey.'

'Community, beginning, peaceful, happy.'

'I have found the whole confirmation experience incredibly insightful, rewarding and enjoyable. Taking the time out each week to learn and deepen my spiritual understanding, along with a great group of people, is something I will always look back upon very fondly. The day itself felt really special and was the perfect culmination of all of our hard work.'

'Confirmation has been a wonderful experience for me. I have genuinely looked forward to the classes. They have helped me make sense of a world I found confusing and frightening. I am so grateful to those who organised it.

ST PAUL'S CHURCH Parent & Toddler Gr

Wednesday 1:30 to 3pm St Paul's Church on Church Hill

Outside water play in hot weather Last session this term 19th July

3 PEAKS CHARITY CHALLENGE

On Saturday 17th June, Alison and Sam Perera, together with their friends Greg and Yuri Mayor, took on the National Three Peaks Challenge to raise money for a very important charity, PAPYRUS (Prevention of Young



Suicide). Suicide is the biggest killer of young people under the age of 35 in the UK.

This was truly a challenge as it involved climbing Ben Nevis, Scafell and Snowdon, all within 24 hours!! Well, they did it!! They climbed Ben Nevis in 5 hours 30 mins, Scafell Pike in 3 hours 30 mins and Snowdon in 4 hours, and spent 11 hours travelling between the peaks in a bus. Of the 49 people who began the challenge, only 22 finished, including our four intrepid adventurers.

It is not too late to support this fundraising event for PAPYRUS by either giving a donation direct to Alison or Sam or online via <u>https://www.justgiving.com/page/alison-perera-1685786157525?</u> <u>utm_term=qj7VykzdR&fbclid=lwAR3ZS3wfTpoWhl2EwOgOoCL2Cr</u> N4X5mm84GkqUajGk15CX668_ryqh-WEpU

DEMENTIA AWARENESS

The Pastoral Team has invited the Enfield Admiral Nurse from Chase Farm Hospital to come and talk to us about the symptoms of dementia and how to support it at its next meeting on Monday 17th July at 7pm in the Paulin Room. This meeting is open to anyone who would find this helpful. Please email <u>pastoral@spwh.org</u> or talk to Jane Reed if you would like to attend.

ENFIELD DEANERY SYNOD

The next Deanery Synod Meeting will be at St Peter and St Paul Enfield Lock EN3 6AB on Thursday 6th July at 7 pm. Everyone is invited to attend Deanery Synod meetings.

JUNE NEWS FROM THE MOTHERS'UNION



June was a busy month for the MU. Some members attended the MU Festival Service at St Paul's Cathedral on 14th June and Dawn Foyle carried our branch banner in the recessional procession for us. The next day a group of members and friends had an outing to Forty Hall where we had a very interesting guided tour of the house followed by refreshments in the café.

And finally, we had a Coronation-themed fellowship lunch on 22nd June with over thirty guests.



MOTHERS' UNION DIARY JULY 2023

MONDAY 10TH JULY

MOTHERS' UNION WAVE OF PRAYER SERVICE IN CHURCH AT 9.30AM.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO READ A PRAYER IN THE SERVICE, PLEASE CONTACT SUE CHAMBERS (0208 360 6437).

THE SHORT SERVICE WILL BE FOLLOWED BY COFFEE ON THE GREEN.

THURSDAY 20TH JULY - SUMMER GARDEN PARTY

AT 46 CRANLEIGH GARDENS N21 IDS AT 2 PM.

All welcome so please come along and enjoy afternoon tea, good company and quizzes (for those who like them).

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