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Welcome to the Churches of St Paul's with All Saints' Willian



*We wish you a warm welcome.
If you are new here do make yourself known to one of the clergy team, we'd love to chat with you after the service - either during coffee in the church hall or at the back of church.*

Sunday 23rd December 2018

St Paul's 8.30am

Holy Communion
Led by Rev Jeni McQuaid.
Speaker Rev Jeni McQuaid.

St Paul's 10.00am

Family Communion
Led Mrs Sarah Richardson.
Speaker Mr Martin Hannon.

All Saints' 11.00am

Morning Prayer
Led by Mr Tony Glenn.
Speaker Mrs Jill Thomson.

*Readings for All Saints' & St Paul's - Hebrews 10:5-10 & Luke 1:39-45 [46-55]
Pages 1207 & 1026*

Prayer for today:

Eternal God, as Mary waited for the birth of your Son, so we wait for his coming in glory; bring us through the birth pangs of this present age to see, with her, our great salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please pray for...

Jeannette Jackson, Michele Parker, Jill & John Eve, Chris Jenkins, Dee Ford, Jeff Garner, Mary Smith, Andrew Middleton, Mark Field, Rodney, Caroline, Richard Joyanah, Julie and George Gorst, Rosemary Cowie and Monnay.

Home groups

There are home groups meeting on every weekday, where we can come together to share our lives and Christian experience, learn from the Bible, pray together and have fun. Details of who to contact are at the back of the church and on our website:

<https://stpaulslethworth.co.uk/welcome/small-groups/>

This week: Office Closed

Monday 24 December:

- Christingle Services: 4.00pm & 6.00pm at St Paul's Church. Please come dressed as an angel, shepherd or wise man.
- Midnight Communion: 11.30pm at St Paul's Church.

Tuesday 25 December:

- Altogether Communion: 10.00am at St Paul's Church.

Sunday 30 December:

- Joint Churches' Breakfast: 9.30am at St Paul's Church.
- Family Communion: 11.00am at St Paul's Church
- Parish Communion: 11.00am at All Saints' Church.
- **Next week: commencing 31 December: Office Closed**

Wednesday 2 January:

- Service of Holy Communion: 8.30am in St Paul's Church.

Saturday 5 January:

- Just Coffee: 10.30am in St Paul's Church.

Sunday 6 January:

- Service of Holy Communion: 8.30am at St Paul's Church.
- Altogether Service: 10.00am at St Paul's Church.
- Parish Communion: 11.00am at All Saints' Church.



Advent Candle Prayer: Fourth Sunday of Advent – Mary

We light this candle for all God-bearers,
Saying 'yes' to God's challenge
Accepting the pain and joy of an unknown future.
**God, as we wait for your promise,
Give light, give hope.**

What's happening soon...

Lifts to Church – We currently have 4 volunteers offering lifts to St Paul's on a rota basis, but we really need another 4. If you feel that you could do this, please contact Nigel Carrick or one of the church wardens.

Drivers needed for Luncheon Club: from January 2019. This involves transporting 2 people to the church hall and then returning them home, one Monday a month. Please contact Julie Goodwyn 686929 or jeremy.goodwyn@ntlworld.com.

Children and Families Worker post: Sadly for St Paul's, Claire's departure is fast approaching. The post has been advertised widely this week, with a closing date of 18th Jan and interviews on 30th Jan. Please pray for this process and please also feel free to tell anyone you know who may be interested. All information is on our website [hyperlink].

Christmas Collections at St. Paul's: The retiring Collections at our Christingle services will go to The Children's Society and at other services to The Letchworth Ark, the Sanctuary and North Herts Young Homeless, all supporting homeless and vulnerable people locally.

Foodbank: thank you for all the contributions so far. We still have the following shortages: Juice [Longlife], Milk [Longlife UHT] and Sponge Puddings.

Christingle Services: as usual we will be having services at 4.00pm and 6.00pm. The later one is always quieter so if you are undecided about which one to attend, please come along to the later one, and help us even out the congregations.

Please note there will not be a 8.30am Holy Communion on 26th December or 30th December.

Mothers' Union meeting & AGM: 9th January when Claire Harald will be speaking on her Journey to Ordination at 2.00 pm Upper Hall. All visitors welcome.

On 20th February the AGM will take place at the Vicarage at 2.00 pm

Deanery Synod: the next meeting will be at St Paul's, Letchworth at 8pm on Thursday 10th January 2019. All are welcome to the open meeting where the speaker will be David Norton, Diocesan Director for Education.

Toddlers crafts needs your help – we are needing 2 pint milk cartons (washed out please) and jam jar sized jars for this term craft. We would be grateful for your help in saving these for us. Please leave them in the front porch or pop into the office during the week.

PRAYING TOGETHER

"For to us a child is born..." (Isaiah 9:6a.)

Father, in the joy and bustle of Christmas, may we ask..

Lord, "What can I give You of me for Your birth day?" (Ann Graham Loth, from Lisa)

In our love for You, may we answer "Give my heart".....

