

Church Notices

Thank you

I feel as if I have been surrounded by a cuddle of love over the last few weeks. Thank you everyone for all your support and help, and for your donations to the Ellenor.
Love from Margery.

Away Giving Committee – Monday 21st November 8pm at 18 Lagonda Way Dartford.

MU Evening Meeting at Ann Hamon's Home – 4 The Rise

The Friends of St. Paulinus

The next event is the Coffee Morning on 25th November from 10 am to 12 noon at 5, Manor Close hosted by John and Lesley Holbrook.
Entry is £2.50.

The Crayford Group of the NSPCC are having a stall at St Anselm's Church, Dartford. Christmas Fair on the 2nd December from 2 p.m. Please could you donate any small items and small Christmas gift bags for this, please? Please give to Barbara Judge, Barbara Gray or Fiona Nyman

All Saints' Festival Choir and Orchestra
'Messiah'

The complete work by Handel
Saturday 25th November, 2017 at 7:30pm
All Saints' church, Bark Hart Road, Orpington
Tickets £12 (advanced booking £10, students £5)
Available from Lydia Gray 01322 551286
and Barbara Gray 01322 221732
Retiring collection in aid of the Yomelelani Trust supporting a school in South Africa



Ladies Breakfast

Yes, it's that time again Ladies.

Date this year is Saturday December 2nd, sit down at 8.30am.

'the list is at the back of the church for you to put your name, and choice of breakfast'...

Any queries: Brian 524328

Men's Group Christmas Meal

Tuesday 28th November 7.30/7.45 at Spice Fusion, Station Road, Crayford.
List at the back of church.
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TRADCRAFT STALL SUNDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

Thank you to everyone who ordered Christmas cards supporting Traidcraft and other charities. The next Traidcraft stall will be on Sunday 26th November after the 10am service, where individual Christmas cards will be available to purchase for 20p each or 6 for £1. Don't forget to bring your loose change!

ST PAULINUS CHURCH, CRAYFORD



Sunday 19th November – 2nd before advent

A warm welcome to newcomers and visitors.
We hope you enjoy worshipping with us today.

8am Low Mass & Homily

Celebrant: Fr Paul Prentice
Presentation: Des Scott - Church Army

10am Service of Remembrance

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Hymns: CE 131, 355, 818, 183

12.30pm Holy Baptism – Jacob Harding, Lacey Steer & Jayne Gadzorova

Season: Ordinary time

Monday 20 th November	
Tuesday 21 st November	
Wednesday 22 nd November Cecilia	9.30 Mass - School
Thursday 22 nd November	9.30 Toddler Church – In youth hall
Friday 23 rd November	9.15am Low Mass at Mollie Merritt 13 Iron Mill Lane.
Saturday 24 th November	
Sunday 25 th November Christ the King	8am Low Mass & Homily 10am Parish Mass & Procession

FIRST READING Zephaniah 1.7, 12–18

A reading from the book of the prophet Zephaniah.

7 Be silent before the Lord GOD!

For the day of the LORD is at hand;
the LORD has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his
guests.

12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,
and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their
dregs, those who say in their hearts,
'The LORD will not do good, nor will he do harm.'

13 Their wealth shall be plundered,
and their houses laid waste.
Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them.

14 The great day of the LORD is near,
near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is
bitter, the warrior cries aloud there.

15 That day will be a day of wrath,
a day of distress and anguish,
a day of ruin and devastation,
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,

16 a day of trumpet blast
and battle cry against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.

17 I will bring such distress upon people
that they shall walk like the blind;
because they have sinned against the LORD,
their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like
dung.

18 Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them
on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the
whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will
make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

PSALM 90.1–8, 12

**R Satisfy us by your loving-kindness;
so shall we rejoice and be glad.**

1 Lord, you have been our refuge
from one generation to another.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born,
from age to age you are God.

3 You turn us back to the dust and say,
'Go back, O child of earth.' **R**

4 For a thousand years in your sight
are like yesterday when it is past
and like a watch in the night.

5 You sweep us away like a dream;
we fade away suddenly like the grass.

6 In the morning it is green and flourishes;
in the evening it is dried up and withered. **R**

7 For we consume away in your displeasure;
we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.

8 Our iniquities you have set before you,
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance. **R**

12 So teach us to number our days
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom. **R**

SECOND READING 1 Thessalonians 5.1–11

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

1 Concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters,
you do not need to have anything written to you.

2 For you yourselves know very well
that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.

3 When they say, 'There is peace and security,'
then sudden destruction will come upon them,
as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman,
and there will be no escape!

4 But you, beloved, are not in darkness,
for that day to surprise you like a thief;
5 for you are all children of light and children of the day;
we are not of the night or of darkness.

6 So then let us not fall asleep as others do,
but let us keep awake and be sober;

7 for those who sleep sleep at night,
and those who are drunk get drunk at night.

8 But since we belong to the day,

let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love,
and for a helmet the hope of salvation.

9 For God has destined us not for wrath
but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,
10 who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we
may live with him.

11 Therefore encourage one another
and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

GOSPEL Matthew 25.14–30

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Jesus said to his disciples,

14 'The kingdom of heaven is as if a man, going on a journey,
summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them;
15 to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one,
to each according to his ability. Then he went away.

16 The one who had received the five talents
went off at once and traded with them,
and made five more talents.

17 In the same way,
the one who had the two talents made two more talents.

18 But the one who had received the one talent
went off and dug a hole in the ground
and hid his master's money.

19 After a long time the master of those slaves came
and settled accounts with them.

20 Then the one who had received the five talents came
forward, bringing five more talents, saying,
"Master, you handed over to me five talents;
see, I have made five more talents."

21 His master said to him,
"Well done, good and trustworthy slave;
you have been trustworthy in a few things,
I will put you in charge of many things;
enter into the joy of your master."

22 And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying,
"Master, you handed over to me two talents;
see, I have made two more talents."

23 His master said to him,
"Well done, good and trustworthy slave;
you have been trustworthy in a few things,
I will put you in charge of many things;
enter into the joy of your master."

24 Then the one who had received the one talent
also came forward, saying,
"Master, I knew that you were a harsh man,
reaping where you did not sow,
and gathering where you did not scatter seed;
25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground.
Here you have what is yours."

26 But his master replied,
"You wicked and lazy slave!
You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow,
and gather where I did not scatter?"

27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers,
and on my return I would have received what was my own with
interest.

28 So take the talent from him,
and give it to the one with the ten talents.

29 For to all those who have,
more will be given, and they will have an abundance;
but from those who have nothing,
even what they have will be taken away.

30 As for this worthless slave,
throw him into the outer darkness,
where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."