#### **Church Notices**

St Paulinus School Summer Fete 30<sup>th</sup> June from 11am - All funds being raised go to Mrs Andrew memorial sensory cabin

26<sup>th</sup> June - Churches together in Crayford AGM at St Mary's, Old Road at 7.45pm.

26<sup>th</sup> June - Bird College Concert, Bexley Choir and Bexley Light Orchestra at Christ Church Bexleyheath at 8pm.

### **Chris Bacon – Funeral**

Chris' funeral will be at Eltham Crematorium on 19<sup>th</sup>

June at

1pm followed by a wake at 55 Glebelands, Crayford.

#### **Prayer Meeting**

21st June 10.30am 13 Iron Mill Lane Contact Mollie on 556856

#### Mother's Union

Mother's Union - Outing to Sheppey OI Time Music Hall

September 27<sup>th</sup>. Booking forms and details from Barbara Gray

To be sure of your seat on the coach outing in September you must reserve your place(s) by the end of this month. If you hope to go – Do it this week please.

Thank you Barbara

MU Quiet Day at North Cray. Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 9.30 – 2.30pm. Open to all. Please see Barbara today or phone 221732 a.s.a.p so transport can be arranged.

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> – MU Archdeaconry service at Bromley 7.30pm.

Please see Pat/Barbara if able to come. (2 new members for our bramnch to be enrolled – please support them with your prayers)

### Wine Tasting

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 7.30pm for 8pm start.

See Sam laing for tickets

Leaver's Service 24th June at 10am.

This is a yearly service to say goodbye to the outgoing Y6 and celebrate their time with us.

As a special request we will be donating anything given at this service to Mrs Andrew's Sensory Garden collection. Many thanks.

# ST PAULINUS CHURCH, CRAYFORD



# Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June – Trinity 3 Stewardship Sunday Happy Father's Day

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

#### 8am Low Mass & Homily

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Paul Prentice

# 10am High Mass & Sermon

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Hymns: 506, 786, 584, 821

# 12.30pm Holy Baptism – Freya Danson, Andrew Brody-Woodstock, Aurora Jeffries & Emma Arbour

# Season: Ordinary time

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Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	9.30am Low Mass – Y2
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	9.30am Toddler Church
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	9.15am Low Mass
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	3.45pm Wedding
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	8am Low Mass & Homily
John the Baptist	10am Leaver's Eucharist
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Fr Paul will be off duty from 29<sup>th</sup> June until 16<sup>th</sup> July inc.

#### FIRST READING Ezekiel 17.22-24

A reading from the book of the prophet Ezekiel.

22 Thus says the Lord GOD:

I myself will take a sprig

from the lofty top of a cedar;

I will set it out.

I will break off a tender one

from the topmost of its young twigs;

I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain.

23 On the mountain height of Israel

I will plant it,

in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit,

and become a noble cedar.

Under it every kind of bird will live;

in the shade of its branches will nest

winged creatures of every kind.

24 All the trees of the field shall know

that I am the LORD.

I bring low the high tree,

I make high the low tree;

I dry up the green tree

and make the dry tree flourish.

I the LORD have spoken:

I will accomplish it.

#### PSALM 92.1-4, 11-14

# R It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord.

1 It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord, and to sing praises to your name, O Most High; 2 To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning and of your faithfulness in the night season; **R** 

3 On the psaltery and on the lyre and to the melody of the harp.

4 For you have made me glad by your acts, O Lord; and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.

11 The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.

12 Those who are planted in the house of the Lord

shall flourish in the courts of our God; R

13 They shall still bear fruit in old age;

they shall be green and succulent:

14 That they may show how upright the Lord is, my rock, in whom there is no fault. **R** 

# SECOND READING (2 Corinthians 5.6–10, (11–13), 14–17

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Brothers and sisters,

6 we are always confident;

even though we know that while we are at home in the body

we are away from the Lord -

7 for we walk by faith, not by sight.

8 Yes, we do have confidence,

and we would rather be away from the body

and at home with the Lord.

9 So whether we are at home or away,

we make it our aim to please him.

10 For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ.

so that each may receive recompense

for what has been done in the body,

whether good or evil.

[ 11 Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord,

we try to persuade others:

but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences.

12 We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us,

so that you may be able to answer those

who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart.

13 For if we are beside ourselves,

it is for God:

if we are in our right mind,

it is for you. ]

14 The love of Christ urges us on,

because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died.

15 And he died for all,

so that those who live might live no longer for themselves.

but for him who died and was raised for them.

16 From now on, therefore, we regard no one

from a human point of view;

even though we once knew Christ

from a human point of view,

we know him no longer in that way.

17 So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

### GOSPEL Mark 4.26-34

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Such a large crowd gathered around Jesus that he got into a boat and began to teach them using many parables.

26 Jesus said,

'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground,

27 and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow,

he does not know how.

28 The earth produces of itself,

first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the

29 But when the grain is ripe,

at once he goes in with his sickle,

because the harvest has come.'

30 Jesus also said,

'With what can we compare the kingdom of God,

or what parable will we use for it?

31 It is like a mustard seed,

which, when sown upon the ground,

is the smallest of all the seeds on earth;

32 yet when it is sown it grows up

and becomes the greatest of all shrubs,

and puts forth large branches.

so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

33 With many such parables he spoke the word to them,

as they were able to hear it;

34 he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.