

Church Notices

NSPCC BEETLE DRIVE ON 19th September 2018 is now cancelled

The Friends of St. Paulinus Annual General Meeting

You are cordially invited to The Friends of St. Paulinus Annual General meeting. It is in the Youth Hall on Saturday 6th October at 3pm. There will be refreshments available. Come and hear about the Friends activities this year. All are welcome.

CHILDRENS SOCIETY BOXES - DUE FOR COLLECTION NOW

Just a reminder to all of you that have a Children's Society box, that it is due for collection **NOW**.

Please bring your box into Church when you can. If I am not in Church that day you can leave it with the Church Warden or the Steward that is on duty and they will put it in the safe for me to collect. Please **DO NOT LEAVE IT AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH**.

If you no longer wish to have a Children's Society box, then please return it with a note. I shall then remove you from my list and pass it onto someone that would like a box. Once again, thank you for your continued support.

Samantha Laing
St Paulinus Parish Children's Society Co-ordinator

Today is your last chance to give to the Monsoon proof Shelters for refugees. £75 buys a shelter – can you help towards this.

Saturday Prayer Breakfast

A great way to start the weekend with a light breakfast, prayer and chat together in the Vestry on the following days:
Saturday 22 September at 9am
Saturday 20 October at 9am
Saturday 10 November at 8.30am followed by Healing Service in the Lady Chapel at 10am
Saturday 8 December at 8.30am followed by Healing Service in the Lady Chapel at 10am
Be great to see you if you can make it.
Sue Corbett 0776 5514551

Date for your diary – family chuchyard work day to be reviewed

Charity CRiBS will benefit from funding from Waitrose, Sidcup during September. Through Waitrose's green token scheme shoppers can request a token at the checkout and pop it in the b:You box. Please support this work with local primary girls and ask others to do the same! You can find out more at www.cribsonline.org

5th Crayford Brownie Unit are in need of volunteer helpers for 2 hrs a week.

Tuesday evenings during school term time from 5.30pm and 7.30pm.

St Mary of the Crays church hall, Old Road, Crayford.
If you feel you could help us, please contact Sarah on 07958476464

ST PAULINUS CHURCH, CRAYFORD



Sunday 16th September

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

8am Low Mass & Homily

Celebrant: Fr Paul Prentice
Preacher: Roger Laing

10am Parish Mass & Sermon

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12.30pm Holy Baptism – Thea Lennon, Louie Batchelor & Alfie Rising

Season: Ordinary time

Monday 17 th September	
Tuesday 18 th September	
Wednesday 19 th September	9.30am Low Mass
Thursday 20 th September	9.30am Toddler Church
Friday 21 st September	9.15am Low Mass
Saturday 22 nd September	
Sunday 23 rd September	8am Low Mass & Homily 10am Parish Mass 2pm Wedding

TRADCRAFT STALL TODAY

After the 10am service. Not to be outdone by high street retailers, a selection of packs of Christmas cards will be on sale, many at half their original selling price. First come first served! Unfortunately, the Traidcraft stall will be packing up for the last time once all current stock has been sold. The stall has kept going thanks to the very loyal support of a small number of customers, but it is no longer sustainable. Traidcraft have changed the terms of their trading account, and we no longer meet the minimum purchase threshold.
Please don't abandon me just yet - there are still plenty of teabags, tissues and chocolate bars to sell!

FIRST READING Isaiah 50.4–9a

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

The servant of the Lord said:

4 The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he awakens –
wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

5 The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backward.

6 I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

7 The Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
8 he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?

Let them confront me.

9 It is the Lord GOD who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

PSALM 116.1–8

**R I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living.**

1 I love the Lord,
because he has heard the voice of my supplication,
because he has inclined his ear to me
whenever I called upon him.

2 The cords of death entangled me;
the grip of the grave took hold of me;
I came to grief and sorrow. **R**

3 Then I called upon the name of the Lord:
'O Lord, I pray you, save my life.'

4 Gracious is the Lord and righteous;
our God is full of compassion. **R**

5 The Lord watches over the innocent;
I was brought very low and he helped me.

6 Turn again to your rest, O my soul,
for the Lord has treated you well. **R**

7 For you have rescued my life from death,
my eyes from tears and my feet from stumbling.

8 I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living. **R**

SECOND READING James 3.1–12

A reading from the letter of James.

1 Not many of you should become teachers,
my brothers and sisters,
for you know that we who teach
will be judged with greater strictness.

2 For all of us make many mistakes.
Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect,
able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle.

3 If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them
obey us,
we guide their whole bodies.

4 Or look at ships:
though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive
them,

yet they are guided by a very small rudder
wherever the will of the pilot directs.

5 So also the tongue is a small member,
yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire!

6 And the tongue is a fire.

The tongue is placed among our members as a world of
iniquity;

it stains the whole body,
sets on fire the cycle of nature,
and is itself set on fire by hell.

7 For every species of beast and bird,
of reptile and sea creature,
can be tamed and has been tamed by the human
species,

8 but no one can tame the tongue –
a restless evil, full of deadly poison.

9 With it we bless the Lord and Father,
and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness
of God.

10 From the same mouth come blessing and cursing.
My brothers and sisters,
this ought not to be so.

11 Does a spring pour forth from the same opening
both fresh and brackish water?

12 Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters,
yield olives, or a grapevine figs?
No more can salt water yield fresh.

GOSPEL Mark 8.27–38

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

27 Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of
Caesarea Philippi;

and on the way he asked his disciples,
'Who do people say that I am?'

28 And they answered him,
'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah;
and still others, one of the prophets.'

29 Jesus asked them,
'But who do you say that I am?'

Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.'

30 And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about
him.

31 Then he began to teach them
that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering,
and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the
scribes,

and be killed, and after three days rise again.

32 He said all this quite openly.

And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

33 But turning and looking at his disciples,
he rebuked Peter and said,

'Get behind me, Satan!

For you are setting your mind not on divine things
but on human things.'

34 He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to
them,

'If any want to become my followers,
let them deny themselves and take up their cross and
follow me.

35 For those who want to save their life will lose it,
and those who lose their life for my sake,
and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.

36 For what will it profit them to gain the whole world
and forfeit their life?

37 Indeed, what can they give in return for their life?

38 Those who are ashamed of me

and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation,
of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed
when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy
angels.'