

## Church Notices

ST PAULINUS CHURCH, CRAYFORD

### WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE 2025

The pilgrimage to The Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham  
Friday 16th May to Sunday 18th May 2025  
£265 total (£80 coach, £185)

Please note that your deposit of £60 is due by the 26th January 2025  
(full balance by 27th April 2025)

**Cash or bank transfer preferred,**  
but if cheque please make it payable to Janice Algar

#### **NEW BANK DETAILS –**

**Payable to Janice Algar,**

**Account Number 79054862 Sort code 51-70-14**

If you need any further information then please contact

Janice Algar on 07904416909 or  
[janice.algar1976@gmail.com](mailto:janice.algar1976@gmail.com)

### Relax into Prayer

The next meeting will be on Monday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 7.45pm at 104 Old Road, Crayford.

Any queries to Denise Morgan

### Family Christmas Card

The Family Christmas card for you to send to other members of the church family is at the back of church. Please sign today and give a donation to the Childrens Society by way of the glass jar.



**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2024**  
**Advent 4**

***Our common values are:***  
***Openness, Compassion, Love, Tolerance & Growth***  
***We are a dog friendly church.***

#### **8am Low Mass & Homily**

Celebrant: Fr James Butler

Preacher: Fr Paul Prentice

#### **10am Parish Mass & Healing**

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Paul Prentice

Hymns: 51, 452, 85, 437 & 394

#### **6.30pm Nine Lessons & Carols**

**If you would like to donate via our tap and go rather than the collection plate, please use the tap and go machine at the back of church. Thank you for your support.**

**Or use the QR code below:**



**The church will be open as follows from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December:**

**Tuesday – Christmas Eve**

**4pm Nativity**

**6pm Carols by Candlelight**

**11.30pm Midnight Mass**

**Wednesday – Christmas Day**

**10 am Christmas Toy Service**

**Thursday: 10am Low Mass**

**Friday: 10am Low Mass**

**Saturday: 10am Low Mass**

**Sunday: 8am Low Mass & Homily**

**10am Parish Mass & sermon**

**The office will be closed from Christmas Day & Boxing day and Monday 30<sup>th</sup> December until Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January.**

### **FIRST READING Micah 5.2–5a**

A reading from the book of the prophet Micah. The LORD says to his people: 2 But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. 3 Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labour has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. 4 And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; 5 and he shall be the one of peace.

### **CANTICLE Luke 1.46b–55**

#### **R My spirit rejoices in God my Saviour.**

46 My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; 47 My spirit rejoices in God my Saviour. 48 For he has looked with favour on his lowly servant, from this day all generations will call me blessed. 49 The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. **R**

50 He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. 51 He has shown the strength of his arm; he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

**R**

52 He has cast down the mighty from their thrones and he has lifted up the lowly. 53 He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. **R**

54 He has come to the help of his servant, Israel, for he has remembered his promise of mercy. 55 The promise he made to our forebears; to Abraham and his children for ever. **R**

### **SECOND READING Hebrews 10.5–10**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews. 5 When Christ came into the world, he said, 'Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; 6 in burnt-offerings and sin-offerings you have taken no pleasure. 7 Then I said, "See, God, I have come to do your will, O God" (in the scroll of the book, it is written of me).' 8 When Christ said, 'You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings' (these are offered according to the law), 9 then he added, 'See, I have come to do your will.' He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. 10 And it is by God's will that we have

been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

### **GOSPEL Luke 1.39–45**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. 39 Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, 40 where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. 41 When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit 42 and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. 43 And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? 44 For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. 45 And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

### **Upcoming Events & Services for Advent & Christmas**

**22<sup>nd</sup> December 6.30pm – 9 Lessons & Carols**  
**24<sup>th</sup> December 4pm – Nativity**  
**6pm – Carols by Candlelight**  
**11.30pm Midnight Mass**  
**25<sup>th</sup> December 10am – Family Toy Service**  
**26<sup>th</sup> December Low Mass 10am St Stephen**  
**27<sup>th</sup> December Low Mass 10am St John**  
**28<sup>th</sup> December Low Mass 10am Holy Innocents**  
**29<sup>th</sup> December Low Mass 8am**  
**Parish Mass 10am**  
**30<sup>th</sup> December Blue Christmas 12pm**  
**31<sup>st</sup> December Seeing out 2024 Eucharist 11am**  
**1<sup>st</sup> January New Year's Day Walk 12pm**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> January Compline 8pm**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> January Low Mass 9.15am**  
**4<sup>th</sup> January Family Breakfast Service 9.30am**  
**5<sup>th</sup> January Low Mass 8am**  
**High Mass 10am**  
**6<sup>th</sup> January Morning Prayer for Epiphany 9am**