

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

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Toddler Praise

The last day of Toddler Praise will be Monday 16th December and will return on Monday 13th January.

Relax into Prayer

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

Any queries to Denise Morgan



Sunday 8th December 2024
Advent 2

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

8am Low Mass & Homily (BCP)

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr James Butler

10am Christingle

Leader: Fr Paul Prentice

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 9th December:

Monday: 9.15am Toddler Praise – Youth Hall
11.30am Funeral – Norman Pearson
Wednesday: 9.30am Low Mass
Friday: 9.15am Low Mass
Saturday: 9.30am Church open
Sunday: 8am Low Mass & Homily
10am Parish Mass & Sermon

FIRST READING Malachi 3. 1-4

A reading from the book of the prophet Malachi. Thus says the LORD God: 1 See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. 2 But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; 3 he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. 4 Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

SECOND READING Philippians 1.3-11

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians. My brothers and sisters, 3 I thank my God every time I remember you, 4 constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, 5 because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. 6 I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. 7 It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. 8 For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. 9 And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight 10 to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, 11 having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

GOSPEL Luke 3.1-6 (BCP ONLY)

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

1 In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, 2 during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. 3 He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, 4 as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

5 Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; 6 and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

GOSPEL Luke 2. 8-20 (Christingle only)

⁸ In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹ Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: ¹¹ to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹² This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.' ¹³ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, ¹⁴ 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!'

¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.' ¹⁶ So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Upcoming Events & Services for Advent & Christmas

19th December 7pm – Penny Farthing Carols

21st December 9.30am – Family Breakfast Service

22nd December 6.30pm – 9 Lessons & Carols

24th December 4pm – Nativity

6pm – Carols by Candlelight

11.30pm Midnight Mass

25th December 10am – Family Toy Service