

Church Notices

ST PAULINUS CHURCH, CRAYFORD

Friends of St Paulinus Quiz

Time to get your thinking caps on.
Saturday 24th May 2025 at 7.30 pm
(Doors open 7.00 pm).
St. Paulinus Church Hall, Manor Road, Crayford.
£8.00 per person.
Tickets available from Kelly/Lisa in the Church Office

RSMG Gardening Day 24th May 9-11am

Please come and lend a hand to the upkeep of our memorial garden.

Sunday School

We are currently reviewing our Sunday School.
There will be a date in the future for you to attend and participate in the future of our Sunday School – watch this space for details.

Relax into Prayer

Monday 12th May at 104 Old Road, Crayford 7.45pm.
Queries to Denise 01322 527372.

Upcoming School Events

St Paulinus Friends & Family inflatable fun day

Saturday 14th June 12 to 5pm.
Wristbands £10
To book:
www.pta-events.co.uk/stpaulinuspta

St Paulinus Mothers' Union: Come along and meet our new Diocesan Chaplain, the Rev. Michael Payne who will be our speaker for our evening meeting on Wednesday 14th May at 8.00pm in the Main Hall. We are very privileged to have him so, it would be lovely to have a full house on this evening. Entrance £3.00 which includes refreshments.

Lent Collection – Thank you all who gave to Spadeworks for our Lent Collection approximately £503 was raised.



Sunday 11th May 2025
Easter 4

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

8.00am Low Mass & Presentation

Celebrant: Fr James Butler
Presentation: Christian Aid

10.00am Parish Mass & Presentation

Celebrant: Fr Paul Prentice
Presentation: Christian Aid
Hymns: 208, 827, 691 & 221

Please let the churchwardens know when you arrive if you are reading on Sunday.

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



The church will be open as follows from Monday 12th May:

Monday: 9.15am Toddler Praise – Youth Hall

Wednesday: 9.30am Low Mass

Friday: 9.15am Low Mass

Saturday: 10am Church closed

Sunday: 8am Low Mass & Homily (Walsingham)

10am Family Worship

FIRST READING Acts 9.36–43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. 36 In Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. 37 At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. 38 Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' 39 So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. 40 Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. 41 He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. 42 This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. 43 Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

PSALM 23

R The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want. 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters. **R**

3 He revives my soul and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake. 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. **R**

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over. 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. **R**

SECOND READING Revelation 7.9–17

A reading from the book of Revelation.

9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. 10 They cried out in a loud voice, saying 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne,

and to the Lamb!' 11 And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, 12 singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.' 13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' 14 I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. 15 For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. 16 They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; 17 for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

GOSPEL John 10.22–30

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

22 At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, 23 and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. 24 So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' 25 Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; 26 but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. 27 My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. 28 I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. 29 What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. 30 The Father and I are one.'