

Church Notices

Young pilgrims course for 12–18-year-olds

The Young pilgrims' course will run on the following dates: 20th & 27th June and 4th & 18th July.

These will be held on Saturdays at midday until 1.30pm at the Rectory.

If you are interested, please let Fr Paul or the office know.

Adult Baptism Course

This will be held on Thursday evenings on the following dates 11, 18, 25 June & 2nd July from 7pm until 8.30pm in the Rectory.

If you are interested in attending this, please let Fr Paul or the office know.

MU Mini Summer Fayre

Saturday 20th June 12-2pm in the church.

This is to raise money for the 150th anniversary Rochester Diocesan Fund.

There will also be Tea & Cake served as part of the fayre and cake donations would be welcome before midday in the Youth hall.

There will be a grocery raffle, any donations would be gratefully received. There is a board at the back of the church for your donation suggestions.

Everyone welcome.

Christian Aid Collection

The total raised for Christian Aid was £258.50, made up of £171 cash and a £50 cheque made out direct to Christian Aid. Plus £37.50 on gift aid forms. Many thanks.

Relax into Prayer

Monday 15th June 7.45pm in church. Queries to Denise 01322 527372.

Parish Office Opening Times

Please note from Monday 8th June to Friday 19th June the parish office will only be open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9am to 12pm. Please send any emails to office@stpaulinus.co.uk

MU St Paul's 150th Celebratory Service

This will be live streamed in church on Wednesday at 5pm.

Thank you

Belated thanks for all your cards and good wishes for my birthday last week. Barbara.



Sunday 7th June 2026
1st after Trinity

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

8.00am Low Mass & Homily

Celebrant: Fr James Butler
Preacher: Richard Demuth

10.00am Parish Mass & Sermon

Celebrant: Fr Paul Prentice
Preacher: Richard Demuth
Hymns: 613, 772, 453, 584

12.00pm Holy Baptism - Louie



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 or use the QR code

Thank you for your support.

The church will be open as follows from Monday 8th June:

Monday: 9.15am Toddler Praise Youth Hall

Wednesday: 9.30am Low Mass

5.00pm MU Live Stream St Pauls Service

Thursday: 7.30pm Low Mass (BCP)- Barnabus

Friday: 9.15am Low Mass

Saturday: 10.00am Healing Service

Sunday: 8.00am Low Mass & Homily (BCP)

10.00am Family Worship

12.00pm Holy Baptism

Parish Giving details.

To set up a direct debit for regular giving to St Paulinus Church choose website www.parishgiving.org.uk Click on Give and from drop down menu Find Your Parish Search by town -Crayford and parish name St Paulinus Click on Give Now Options for regular giving or a one-off gift will appear or please telephone PGS on 0333 002 1271

FIRST READING Hosea 5.15 – 6.6

A reading from the book of the prophet Hosea.

Hear the word of the LORD, O people of Israel:

15 I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favour: 1 'Come, let us return to the LORD; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. 2 After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. 3 Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth.' 4 What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. 5 Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgement goes forth as the light. 6 For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt-offerings.

Psalms 50.7–15

R The Lord will show his salvation to the upright.

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak: 'O Israel, I will bear witness against you; for I am God, your God. 8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; your offerings are always before me. **R** 9 I will take no bull-calf from your stalls, nor he-goats out of your pens; 10 For the beasts of the forest are mine, the herds in their thousands upon the hills. 11 I know every bird in the sky, and the creatures of the fields are in my sight. **R** 12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the whole world is mine and all that is in it. 13 Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats? 14 Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows to the Most High. 15 Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you and you shall honour me.' **R**

SECOND READING Romans 4.13–25

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

13 The promise that Abraham would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. 14 If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. 15 For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. 16 For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, 17 as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations') Abraham believed in the presence of the God who gives life to the dead and

calls into existence the things that do not exist. 18 Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations,' according to what was said, 'So numerous shall your descendants be.' 19 He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. 20 No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, 21 being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. 22 Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.' 23 Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him,' were written not for his sake alone, 24 but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in God who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, 25 who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

GOSPEL Matthew 9.9–13, 18–26

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. 9 As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him. 10 And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. 11 When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' 12 But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. 13 Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.' 18 While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, 'My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.' 19 And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. 20 Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, 21 for she said to herself, 'If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.' 22 Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, 'Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.' And instantly the woman was made well. 23 When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute-players and the crowd making a commotion, 24 he said, 'Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. 25 But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. 26 And the report of this spread throughout that district.