Church Notices

Remembrance Sunday Flowers
If you would like to make a donation for the flower arrangement on Remembrance Sunday please put money in an envelope & leave in Church box for Nicola or give to her in person.

Upcoming Church Social Events

Social event – Kings Head followed by Istanbul Kitchen – Friday 27th November. *Please book with the Parish Office*.

Upcoming Events
Advent Retreat at St Paulinus Friday 4th December 9am – 2pm

Ladies Breakfast

The Ladies Breakfast is being held on Saturday 12th December in the Youth Hall at 8.30am. The cost will be £11. Please book with the Parish Office.

Craft Club

We meet in the YOUTH HALL on the last Tuesday of the month, 10.30am-12.00pm. All welcome.
Our next meetings is:
Tuesday 24th November making Christmas decorations.
All materials are provided.

Relax into Prayer
Monday 9th November
7.45pm in church
Queries to Denise Morgan

All Saints' Festival Choir
Concert celebrating St. Cecilia.
Including works by Purcell, Britten and Howells.
Saturday 14th November 7:30pm
All Saints' church, Barkhart Road, Orpington, BR6 0QD
Tickets £16 adult (£14 in advance), £6 under 18's
For tickets and further information contact Lydia on 07426 807758.

Charity for November
The Manna Society (charity reg 294691) based in London, provides food and shelter and other forms of Christian care for the homeless. Please support this charity by donating cash into the blue bucket at the back of church.

ST PAULINUS CHURCH, CRAYFORD

St Paulinus Church Crayford

Sunday 8th November 2026
Remembrance Sunday

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

8.00am Low Mass & Homily (BCP)
Celebrant: Fr Paul Prentice
Preacher: Richard Demuth

10.00am Remembrance Day Service
Celebrant: Fr Paul Prentice
Preacher: Richard Demuth
Hymns: 579, 635, 746, 579 & 623

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 9th November
Monday: 9.15am Toddler Praise – Youth Hall
Wednesday: 9.30am Low Mass
Friday: 9.15am Low Mass
Saturday: 10.00am Healing Service
2.00pm Service of the Faithfully Departed
Sunday: 8.00am Low Mass & Homily (BCP)
10.00am Family Worship

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 Wisdom of Solomon 6.12–16

A reading from the book of Wisdom.
12 Wisdom is radiant and unfading,
and she is easily discerned by those who love her,
and is found by those who seek her.
13 She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her.
14 One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty,
for she will be found sitting at the gate.
15 To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding,
and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care,
16 because she goes about seeking those worthy of her,
and she graciously appears to them in their paths,
and meets them in every thought.

PSALM 70

R **You are my helper and deliverer.**
[O Lord, make haste to help me.]
1 Be pleased, O God, to deliver me;
O Lord, make haste to help me.
2 Let those who seek my life
be ashamed and altogether dismayed;
let those who take pleasure in my misfortune
draw back and be disgraced. **R**
3 Let those who say to me 'Aha!'
and gloat over me turn back,
because they are ashamed.
4 Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you;
let those who love your salvation say for ever,
'Great is the Lord!' **R**
5 But as for me, I am poor and needy;
come to me speedily, O God.
6 You are my helper and my deliverer;
O Lord, do not tarry. **R**

SECOND READING 1 Thessalonians 4.13–18

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.
13 We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters,
about those who have died,
so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope.
14 For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again,
even so, through Jesus,
God will bring with him those who have died.
15 For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord,
that we who are alive,
who are left until the coming of the Lord,
will by no means precede those who have died.
16 For the Lord himself, with a cry of command,
with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet,
will descend from heaven,
and the dead in Christ will rise first.
17 Then we who are alive, who are left,
will be caught up in the clouds
together with them to meet the Lord in the air;
and so we will be with the Lord for ever.
18 Therefore encourage one another with these words.

GOSPEL Matthew 25.1–13

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Jesus spoke this parable to the disciples:
1 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this.
Ten bridesmaids took their lamps
and went to meet the bridegroom.
2 Five of them were foolish, and five were wise.
3 When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them;
4 but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps.
5 As the bridegroom was delayed,
all of them became drowsy and slept.
6 But at midnight there was a shout,
"Look! Here is the bridegroom!
Come out to meet him."
7 Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps.
8 The foolish said to the wise,
"Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out."
9 But the wise replied,
"No! there will not be enough for you and for us;
you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves."
10 And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came,
and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet;
and the door was shut.
11 Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying,
"Lord, lord, open to us."
12 But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you."
13 Keep awake therefore,
for you know neither the day nor the hour.'