



St Matthew with St Paul
Pilgrims on a journey

17 March 2024

*The Fifth Sunday of Lent
Passiontide begins. St Paul's: Baptism*

A warm welcome to all

Today's services

9.30 St Paul's

Holy Communion

Hymns

538 O the deep, deep love of Jesus!

448 Meekness and majesty

302 I bind unto myself today *[omit verse 3]*

503 O Jesus, I have promised *[omit verse 2]*

Readings

Hebrews 5:5-10; John 12:20-33

11.15 St Matthew's

Mattins

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Hebrews 5:5-10; John 12:20-33

5.30 St Paul's

Youth group (for school years 3-6 and 7-11)



Services & contact details

For services and clergy contact details see our website www.stmatthewstpaul.org

The Parish Office is staffed every day by Katy Palacio (admin@stmatthewstpaul.org) / Claire Thompson (comms@stmatthewstpaul.org) – 01962 844878

Safeguarding

Taking safeguarding seriously is one way in which we fulfil Jesus' command to love our neighbours. If you have any concerns or questions please contact Liz Stuart our Safeguarding Officer (07754 687530; safeguarding@stmatthewstpaul.org).

Prayer

- Dear Lord, as we approach Holy Week, please help us to prepare for Easter, and tarry with you. Remembering all you sacrificed, and looking forward to the glory of your resurrection. Thank you for the new life we have in you.
- Beyond Ourselves – [Barnabas Aid](#). Bethlehem has been cut off since the conflict erupted in October 2023. Pray for those who once earned a living through tourism, including many Christians, who have lost their income and desperately need support.
- Remember the unwell in prayer: Chris Walker, George Hicks, Mark Miller, Jean Garabette and Andrew Maltster; among the long-term unwell, John Williams and David Wilson.

Are you new to St Matthew's or St Paul's? If so, we would love to say hello. Please don't leave today without filling in a welcome card, or completing one online [here](#).

Notices

Sunday singing group Sun 17 Mar 7.30-8.30pm at St Paul's Relaxed, informal singing of beautiful, straightforward music, ancient and modern. All welcome!

Prayer for our children & youth ministry Join us on Wednesday mornings at St Paul's from 9.20am (straight after morning prayer has been said) for a short period of intentional prayer for our children and youth ministry.

The Bitter and the Sweet, free exhibition Fri 22 & Sat 23 March at St Paul's A moving exhibition in mixed media, about the bitter and the sweet of life, from Helen Jesty and Becky Shaylor. With a Joyful Jazz concert on the Saturday, 1pm-2.30pm. Book concert tickets (£10, to include a light lunch) and free exhibition tickets [here](#).

Winchester Stations of the Cross Walking Trail, Mon 25 March 10 am Weather permitting! [Click here](#) or call the office to sign up. This is a wonderful reflective trail. Meet at the Law Courts at 10 am for a slow, prayerful walk around the city. Back to St Paul's at approx. 11.30am for drinks and biscuits.

Easter singing 26 March 2 pm at Tegfield House Join Mary for Easter singing at [Tegfield House](#). With the residents, we will be remembering the Easter story, complete with music and readings. Please contact Jan Walley (janpwalley1@hotmail.co.uk) if you would like to take part.

Knitting for Mission to Seafarers Thank you to all the knitters! Please bring your knitted hats, balaclavas, mufflers and fingerless mittens to the parish office by Sun 31 March. This is so Jeanette Batt can get a package in the post at the end of the month. Another parcel will be sent in November, so do keep knitting throughout the year!

Plants for Community Day, Sat 18 May It's time for the green-fingered out there to be dividing and potting up perennials from your garden for the plant stall. Please also think about what seeds you'd like to grow for us to sell – vegetables as well as flowers would be appreciated. Any questions to Ursula Payne, rubar.payne@gmail.com

Parish visitors – support and training We have in our parish a team of committed volunteers who visit those who need some extra support – or just company. If you would like a parish visitor, or if you would like to join the team, please contact Jo Page: jo.symons@virgin.net The next diocesan (BCM) training scheme for pastoral care is planned for this April (Tuesday evenings and two Saturdays).

Wednesday Coffee Pot – help required We need more volunteers to join our friendly team and help at this monthly pop-up café on the second Wednesday of the month, 9.30am-12.45pm. There are different ways to help: moving chairs/tables, serving coffee, washing up, baking etc. Come and see what's involved at the next Wednesday café on 10 April! To discuss options or for more information, please contact Harriet Hide 07790 957990 or harrietbush@doctors.org.uk Thank you!