



NEWS FROM THE BENEFICE

The Church of The Holy Cross, Sarratt and St Paul's Church, Chipperfield

OUR CHURCH SERVICES AND OPENING TIMES

Holy Cross is open each day between 9am and 5pm.

St Paul's is open each day between 10am and 4pm.

These arrangements are kept under review and any changes will be posted on the benefice website [hcsp.net](https://www.hcsp.net)

Our YouTube Channel link is <https://www.youtube.com/c/HCSP-Online>

Sunday 16 January **2nd Sunday of Epiphany**

9am	Holy Communion - Holy Cross <i>Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Terence Russoff</i> <i>(Isaiah 62: 1 - 5; John 2: 1 - 11)</i>
10.30am	Family Service - St Paul's <i>Leaders: Anne Stickland and All Age Team</i> <i>Direct Link https://youtu.be/FVbz4oW2xpA</i> <i>(as 9am)</i>

Sunday 23 January **St Paul's Patronal Festival**

9am	Holy Communion – St Paul's <i>Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Diane Fitzgerald Clark</i> <i>(Acts 9: 1 - 22; Matthew 19: 27 - end)</i>
10.30am	Morning Service – Holy Cross <i>Leaders: Angela Coakley and Bridget Smith</i> <i>(as 9am)</i>
Midday	Messy Church – St Paul's Parish Room <i>Leaders: Angela Coakley and Messy Church Team</i>

Everyone is welcome to attend services in the Benefice.

Unless exempt from doing so, please wear a face-covering in church, and follow the directions of the sidespeople. Thank you

Collect Prayer

Almighty God,
who called your Church to witness
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,
and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God, giver of love and power,
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:
confirm us in this mission,
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

VERSE OF THE WEEK

The nations will see your righteousness,
and all kings your glory;

Isaiah 62: 2a

SERVICES IN JANUARY & FEBRUARY following on from those shown on page 1

Sunday 30 CANDLEMAS Presentation of Christ in the Temple

(Sunday nearest 2 February)

10.30am 5th Sunday Service - St Paul's Parish Room

6pm Choral Evensong - St Paul's

Sunday 6/2 Accession of Queen Elizabeth II 4th Sunday before Lent

9am Morning Service - Holy Cross

10.30am Holy Communion - St Paul's

Sunday 13/2 3rd Sunday before Lent

9am Morning Service – St Paul's

10.30am Holy Communion – Holy Cross

PRAYER POINTS

Please pray for:

THE CHURCH

- For your church throughout the world to speak out the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ that will draw more people into His love.
- For our Benefice to meet the needs of our young people and their families to bring them into a living faith. We pray for Messy Church and ongoing plans to reach out to our young people.
- For Michele, the churchwardens, the PCC's and all who work to support and grow our church.

THE WORLD

- For peace in all nations remembering especially the situations in Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Yemen and Tigray.
- Asylum seekers and refugees, for all of them to find a welcome and safe place to live and prosper.

OUR NATION

- For our Government to lead our nation with justice and wisdom
- All who suffer from the pandemic, from its medical, financial and sociological effects.
- For a fair and tolerant society that all may be safe on our streets.

OUR COMMUNITIES

- For all in our communities and known to us who are struggling with ill health and ongoing problems, remembering Connie A'len and Alex McClelland.
- For Chris Smith and Joan Dredge who have died. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.
- For all who mourn, especially Pat Smith and her children Alistair and Nicola; Revd David Dredge and his children Diane, Barbara, and Michael. For Gareth Morris for the loss of his father. May they know God's love and comfort with them at all times.
- For all those on our church electoral rolls, including Sue Walker of Chipperfield parish and Daphne Tyler of Sarratt parish.
- For all who live and work in our villages, including the residents of Sarratt Hall Area in Sarratt and Scatterdells Lane & Stoney Lane in Chipperfield.

THE GOSPEL READING FOR THE 2nd SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY
Sunday 16 January

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
chapter 2: verses 1 - 11

Glory to you, O Lord

On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, ²and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, 'They have no more wine.'

⁴'Woman, why do you involve me?' Jesus replied. 'My hour has not yet come.'

⁵His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.'

⁶Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from eighty to a hundred and twenty litres.

⁷Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water'; so they filled them to the brim.

⁸Then he told them, 'Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet.'

They did so, ⁹and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realise where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside ¹⁰and said, 'Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now.'

¹¹What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ

MESSAGES FROM REVD MICHELE AND YOUR CHURCHWARDENS

FUNERAL OF CHRISTOPHER SMITH

Chris's memorial service will take place on Friday 28 January at 2.30pm in St Paul's, Chipperfield, followed by refreshments in the Parish Room.

Chris's family have requested that donations in his memory are made to Leukaemia UK

To help with catering numbers Pat would be grateful if you could please email holycrossstpauls@outlook.com if plan to attend the memorial service.

FUNERAL OF JOAN DREDGE

Some of you may remember Joan Dredge, the wife of Revd David Dredge who came to Sarratt in 1990, when David became Priest in Charge, of Holy Cross, he was priest for approx. 5 years. Joan was very much involved in the life of the church and parish. She died on the 30 December 2021. Her funeral will take place on **Wednesday 26 January at 2.15 at St Joseph's Church, Merry Hill, Wolverhampton**. The family advise that the service will be on-line via St Joseph's Church Facebook page. Please contact Sonya if you would like to contact Revd David.

5TH SUNDAY SERVICE 30TH JANUARY (CANDLEMAS)

A bring and share service around the theme of light and revelation.

This is the day the church celebrates *The Presentation of Christ in the Temple*. Simeon greets the infant and proclaims him to *be a light for the Gentiles and for the glory of Israel*. If you are planning to attend the service, please give some thought and prayer to what you might **bring to share around the theme of light and revelation** – it can be anything, a poem, prayer, experience, hymn, picture, image, object. Yes, I agree it does feel risky, but it is something we are doing together aided by the spirit. In the weeks leading up to the service, please pray for each other and yourself.



Messy Church

New to the Sarratt and Chipperfield Benefice

*23rd January 2022 in St Paul's Parish Room
&
Sunday 27th February in Sarratt Village Hall*

12noon to 1.30pm

Messy Church helps people encounter Jesus: it is for all-ages, especially primary and nursery school-age children.

The session involves **CREATIVITY** - craft/activities, **HOSPITALITY** - food and **CELEBRATION** - worship.

Parents and carers will need to stay and join in with their children for the whole session.

Please contact Sonya Tolmie at holycrossstpauls@outlook.com or 01923 264377 to RSVP or get more information

DENS

The **DENS** food bank has now settled in to new but temporary premises in Hemel Hempstead, Dacre House, opposite Asda near the Hemel Hospital and are ready to receive donations of food / cleaning / toiletries. Please bring any donations to the **All Age Service** this Sunday in St Paul's where they can be left at the back of the church and collected and taken to DENS later in the week. DENS much appreciate all the donations from Chipperfield.

MORE LATERAL FLOW TESTING KITS AVAILABLE IN CHURCH

We hope you have found it convenient to be able to access testing kits from both St Paul's and Holy Cross. The aim of having the kits in church is to provide a convenient, quick and accessible way for you to obtain them. Another 60 kits will be sent to us from www.communities1st.org.uk in approx. 10 days. Please do continue to pick kits up and use them.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR CHURCHES FINANCIALLY

If you are able to help with the financial running of our churches, we are always extremely grateful.

HOLY CROSS CHURCH, SARRATT

The Donate Button on the Benefice Website

<https://www.hcsp.net/Groups/334320/Donate.aspx>

Bank details: Sarratt PCC Holy Cross, sort code 40-52-40, account number 00019785. Cheques payable to "Sarratt PCC Holy Cross" posted to or put through the door of Colin Plummer (Hon. Treasurer), Greenhill Cottage, Dimmocks Lane, Sarratt, WD3 6AR.

ST PAUL'S CHURCH, CHIPPERFIELD

The Donate Button on the Benefice Website

<https://www.hcsp.net/Groups/334320/Donate.aspx>

Bank details: Sort code 40-52-40, account number 00032404, account name: PCC St Paul's Chipperfield. Cheques payable to "PCC St Paul's Chipperfield" posted to or put through the door of Fay Dent (Hon. Treasurer), 'Anderlea', Croft Lane, Chipperfield, WD4 9DX.

WHAT'S ON AT ST ALBAN'S ABBEY

Each year St Alban's Abbey has a programme of interesting events. Below are a few to whet your appetite. There is likely to be much more at the Abbey which will be of interest to you, use this link ['What's On'](#) to see what else is on offer.

[Dream Country: An Adventure in Creative Writing](#)

Saturday 22 January, 10.30am - 12.30pm

Tickets £15

There is also a [BFG Family Workshop](#)

Sunday 23 January, 1.30pm - 2.30pm and 3.00pm - 4.00pm.

£6 per child under 16. Free admission for accompanying adults.

Use the links to find out more or to book the event.

[THEOLOGY, PRAYER AND CINEMATIC ART](#)

Monday 17 January, 7.30-9pm

Standard Tickets £10. Student Ticket £6.00

A talk exploring the relationship between theology and the arts, focussing particularly on the connection between theology, cinematic art and prayer.

The talk will be held on line via Zoom. Click the link above to book

Classical Evenings at St Paul's



Piano Duet Recital

Tuesday 22nd February, 7.30pm

Tickets: Adults £20, Children £8

To celebrate the new piano at St Paul's Church, Chipperfield, director of music **BEN ATKINSON** teams up with one of London's finest jazz pianists, **LIAM DUNACHIE**, for an evening of piano duets. The programme will include some of the most famous works written for piano duet including the dramatic *Fantasie in F Minor* by **FRANZ SCHUBERT**, the beautiful *Petite Suite* by **CLAUDE DEBUSSY**, and an exciting arrangement of *Rhapsody in Blue* by **GEORGE GERSHWIN**. Please join us for this next concert in our popular *Classical Evenings at St Paul's* series for an entertaining musical evening not to be missed!

Tickets can be reserved by emailing: holycrossstpauls@outlook.com
Refreshments will be served in the interval.

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