WELCOME to the Benefice of Sarratt and Chipperfield

Holy Cross Church, Sarratt, & St Paul's Church, Chipperfield
Everyone is welcome to attend any of the services in our churches
Benefice Office: 01923 264377

YOU CAN FIND US ON 'A CHURCH NEAR YOU' achurchnearyou.com

Sunday 6 April – 5th Sunday of Lent – Passiontide begins					
9am	Morning Worship – Holy Cross				
10.45am	Benefice Eucharist – St Paul's				
Monday 7 April					
1.30pm	'Inspire Group' St Paul's Parish featuring 'Companion Voices'				
Sunday 13 April – PALM SUNDAY – Holy Week begins					
9am	Morning Worship – St Paul's – Philip Waine				
10.45am	Benefice Eucharist – Holy Cross – Revd Anne Lovegrove				
Thursday 17 April -MAUNDY THURSDAY					
6.30pm	Service for Maundy Thursday with washing of feet – Holy Cross				
Friday 18 April - GOOD FRIDAY					
2pm	Mary's Way of The Cross – Holy Cross				
6pm	Tenebrae – St Paul's – with organist				
Saturday 19 April - HOLY SATURDAY					
Both churches open all day for quiet reflection with prayer stations					
Sunday 20 April – EASTER DAY ALLELUIA, CHRIST IS RISEN!					

5.30am	Easter Sunrise Service – outside of St Paul's Followed by refreshments in the Parish Room after the service. Likely to be bacon sandwiches and hot cross buns etc			
9am	All Together Family Eucharist – Holy Cross			
10.45am	All Together Family Eucharist – St Paul's			
Sunday 27 April – 1st Sunday after Easter Day				
9am	Morning Worship – St Paul's			
10.45am	Benefice Eucharist – Holy Cross			
Sunday 4 May – 2nd Sunday after Easter Day				
9am	Morning Worship – Holy Cross			
10.45am	Benefice Eucharist – St Paul's			
	Sunday 11 May – 3rd Sunday after Easter Day			
9am	Morning Worship – St Paul's			
10.45am	Benefice Eucharist – Holy Cross			
12.30pm	Benefice Lunch – St Paul's Parish Room			
Monday 12 May				
1.30pm	1.30pm 'Inspire Group' - St Paul's Parish Room			

NEW CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLLS - REMINDER

Deadline to be entered on for the new electoral roll for your parish -

St Paul's: Sunday 20 April. Holy Cross: Tuesday 22 April.

Registration forms are available in each church and completed forms should be placed in the boxes provided there.

Our bible readings for the 5th Sunday of Lent 6 April

Philippians chapter 3 verses 4b - 14

^{4b} If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for righteousness based on the law, faultless.

⁷ But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith.

¹⁰ I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

and

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, chapter 12 verses 1 - 8

Glory to you, O Lord

Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. ² Here a dinner was given in Jesus' honour. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at the table with him. ³ Then Mary took about a pint of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.

⁴ But one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, who was later to betray him, objected, ⁵ "Why wasn't this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? It was worth a year's wages." ⁶ He did not say this because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it.

⁷ "Leave her alone," Jesus replied. "It was intended that she should save this perfume for the day of my burial. ⁸ You will always have the poor among you, but you will not always have me."

This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you O Christ**

LILLIES IN ST PAUL'S

"St Paul's will be decorated for Easter and a donation would be much appreciated. If you would like to donate a lily in memory of a loved one to be included in the displays please let me know. The cost will be £3.50 each. Thank you from Jenny Laurie jennylaurie@icloud.com or 01923 275292"

BENEFICE OFFICE

The office will close on Thursday 3 April at 2.45pm and reopen on Monday 21 April at 9.15am.

BENEFICE GRAND RAFFLE

Tickets are now on sale for our Benefice Grand Draw. All proceeds will be split 50/50 between Holy Cross and St Paul's. Our 1st prize is a £150 gift card which can be spent at a large selection of places. If you would like tickets for yourself, or are happy to sell more to family and friends, please contact Sonya at holycrossstpauls@outlook.com or 07855487342. Thanks for your support.

https://www.one4all.com/

Holy Cross Church, Sarratt & St. Paul's Chipperfield 0071

Benefice Grand Draw

1st Prize: £150 "One4All" Gift Card

2nd Prize: Consultation with "Style By KPA"

3rd Prize: Afternoon Tea for 2 at Shendish Manor

4th Prize: Print by the artist Susan Gray

plus many more exciting prizes to be won!

The draw will take place at Holy Cross Church Sarratt on Sunday 8th June 2025 at 11.45am

You need to be over 18 to buy a ticket

Registered under The Gambling Act 2005 with Three Rivers District Council Licence No: 21/00552/GALLOTT Promoter: S Tolmie, c/o The Benefice Office, Sarratt Village Hall, WD3 6AS

TICKET £1.00



PREPARATION OF NEW CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL Notice is hereby given

* The new roll must be completed at least 15 days, but no mare than 28 days, before the Annual Parachial Church Meeting. that under the Church Representation Rules a new Church Electoral Roll* is being prepared. Every person who wishes to have his or her name entered on the new Roll, whether it is entered on the present roll or not, is requested to apply for enrolment not later than the

22nd day of **April** 2025.

The new roll will take effect on 27th April 2025 .

The New Roll will be published by the Parochial Church Council [method of publication to be specified here] for at least 14 days and a copy of the Roll will be available for inspection on a reasonable request being made to the Council.

Under the Church Representation Rules any lay persons are entitled to have their names entered on the roll if the person is—

- (a) is baptised,
- (b) is aged 16 or over, and
- (c) has made one of the following three declarations and duly applied for enrolment.

The first declaration is that the person is a member of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with it and is resident in the parish.

The second declaration is that the person is a member of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with it, is not resident in the parish, but has habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding six months.

The third declaration is that the person is a member in good standing of a Church which is not in communion with the Church of England but subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity and is also a member of the Church of England and has habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding six months.

Application Forms for enrolment can be obtained from the Church Electoral Roll Officer. In order for a person to be entitled to attend the annual parochial church meeting and to take part in its proceedings, an Application Form for enrolment must be returned by earlier of the dates shown above.

Any error discovered in the Roll should at once be reported to the Church Electoral Roll Officer.

At least 14 days notice
must be given.

Dated this	13th	day of	Mourch	_2025
Signed Stou	Uton Electoral Roll Officer	Adda	ress_7 Alexand	ira Road, Sarratt
Email (optiona	/) alan.poul	ton@talkta	alk.net	



PREPARATION OF NEW CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

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At least 14 days notice must be given.

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20th day ofApril 2025.					
The new roll will take effect on 4th May2025.					
The New Roll will be published by the Parochial Church Council [method of publication to be specified here] for at least 14 days and a copy of the Roll will be available for inspection on a reasonable request being made to the Council. have their names entered on the roll if the person is— (a) is baptised, (b) is aged 18 or over, and (c) has made one of the following three declarations and duly applied for enrolment.					
The first declaration is that the person is a member of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with it and is resident in the parish.					
The second declaration is that the person is a member of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with it, is not resident in the parish, but has habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding six months.					
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Dated this18th day of day of 2025					

Signed _____A V Waine_ Address:_Strawplait Barn, Tulip Close, Chipperfield WD4 9DN Church Electoral Roll Officer

Email (optional) _ann.waine@gmail.com



SARRATT FLOWER FESTIVAL IS BACK! FRIDAY 27 – SUNDAY 29 JUNE 2025

BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS, SCRUMPTIOUS TEA, COFFEE AND
CAKES THROUGHOUT THE WEEKEND

PLUS OPENING AFTERNOON - CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES,
PIZZAS, BBQ AND LIVE JAZZ AND BLUES



URGENT FOODBANK APPEAL FROM DENS

If you are able to help with any of the items listed below, please leave at St Paul's Church as normal and the items will be taken to DENS. Many thanks.

An urgent appeal from the Foodbank



We are running critically low on the essential items, listed below, that go into our emergency food parcels:

- Rice
- Long life juice/squash
- Tinned ham
- · Tinned vegetables
- Jam

If you're able to help, please drop off your donations to our Foodbank at Dacre House, 19 Hillfield Road, Hemel Hempstead, HP2 4AA – Monday-Friday 10am-1pm. Additional hours on Wednesdays 4pm-6pm.



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DO IT FOR DENS Helping Rebuild Lives

WATFORD FC SLEEPOUT



FRIDAY 28TH FEBRUARY

DENS MAKE A WILL MONTH



THROUGHOUT MARCH

BERKO HALF MARATHON



SUNDAY 2ND MARCH

LONDON MARATHON 2026



APPLICATIONS OPEN IN SPRING

ST ALBANS INFLATABLE



SATURDAY 26TH APRIL

DENS WALK



SATURDAY 21ST JUNE

THE LONDON 10K



SUNDAY 13TH JULY

LONDON T100 TRIATHLON



SAT 9TH - SUN 10TH AUGUST

DENS HILLBUSTER



SUNDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER

ROYAL PARKS HALF



SUNDAY 12TH OCTOBER

DENS SLEEPOUT



NOVEMBER DATE TBC

BUNGEE JUMP



VARIOUS DATES

VOLUNTEER AT EVENTS



VARIOUS DATES

SET UP A REGULAR GIFT



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St Paul's Director of Music:

Position vacant

Holy Cross Organist:

Position vacant

St Paul's Hall Bookings: 01923 263182