

Today

Welcome to St. Paul's this Sunday. Today we have Breakfast Church, Worship and a DVD presentation from Archbishop Justin Welby.

This morning also sees the start of **'Ignite'** our new work with young people - please remember our children and young people and their leaders in your prayers. Their programme and activities run from 9:45am in the Christian Centre until 10:30am when they will join us in church. The leaders have information leaflets and registration forms.



If you are new or visiting please make yourself known, feel free to join us for breakfast and do stay for tea or coffee after the service. Why not take this newsletter home with you and use it as a prayer reminder during the week▲

For young people:

9:45am Ignite - Christian Centre
Crèche - facilities in the back room▲

ANNUAL MEETING

Thank you to everyone who attended our APCM on Wednesday. It was good to reflect on the past year and also to look forward to what God has in store for the future.

We are very grateful to Andrew and Leigh who have agreed to continue as Churchwardens for a further year - they were duly and unanimously re-elected!

Joining the PCC for the first time are Michele and Kate. Liz D and Josephine were re-nominated and continue. Finally, Di and Kevin were nominated and will continue to serve as our Deanery Synod Representatives for the next 3 years. Thank you to everyone who has served the church on the PCC in the last year.

The PCC meets next Wednesday (3rd May) for prayer at 7:30pm and for business at 8:00pm in the church. This meeting will confirm the roles and responsibilities of the members for the coming year▲



Collect

Almighty Father,
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord:
give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

How do you like your coffee?



We now have decaffeinated filter coffee if you would prefer this. This will also be available in the Christian Centre

for use by homegroups who want to sleep afterwards!

Help give someone a Bible...

Some of you may have picked up from Howard's talk last week that someone in his position is still able to distribute Bibles at school.

This reference serves as a timely reminder about the work of The Gideons.



Did you know that Mary is the St. Paul's contact for this organization?

A number of the congregation support this work by saving 2p pieces in tubes or by putting aside small change. When added together and sent off this all helps make scripture available for distribution, often to those who would not normally come across a Bible. Please speak to her if you would like to help with this▲

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This week

Date	Time	Event
Mon 1st		May Day Holiday.
Tue 2nd	9:45am	Little Rascals Toddler Group (9:45am-11:30am) - Christian Centre
Wed 3rd	10:15am 7:30pm 8:00pm	Holy Communion - Rev. Carol Smart. Evening Prayer. P.C.C. Meeting.
Thu 4th	2:00pm+ 7:00pm 7:00pm	Tea & Chat - (2:00pm - 4:00pm) - Christian Centre. Worship Team Practice. Deanery Lay Pastors Course - Christian Centre.
Sat 6th	9:00am	Prayer for Israel & The Middle East.

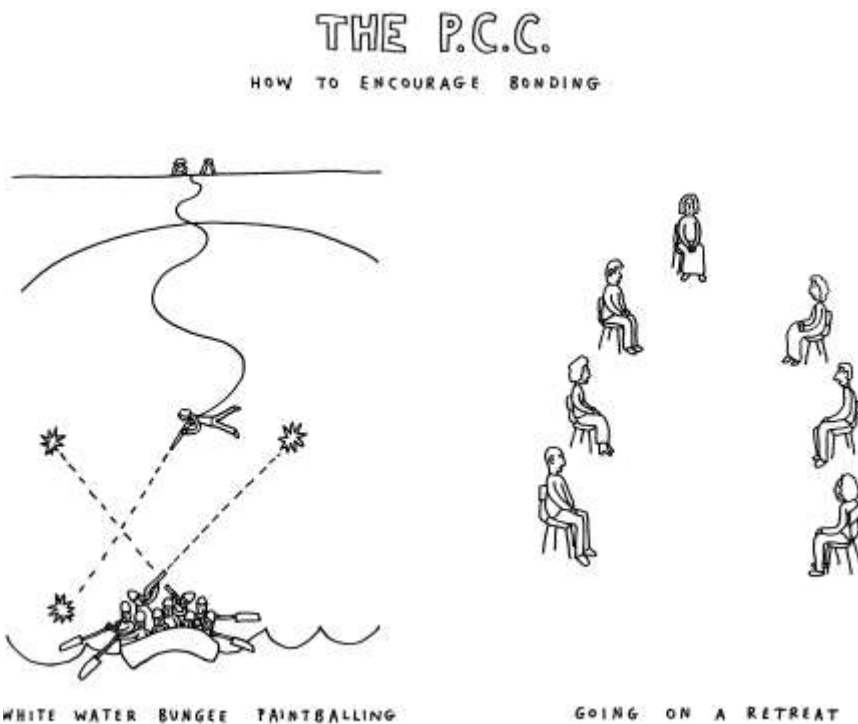


Looking ahead: Dates for your diary...

Date	Time	Event
Sun 7th	10:00am	All-Age Worship - Speaker: Phil Dixon. <i>Phil Dixon is undergoing training at Queens Foundation Ecumenical College to be a Minister with the Methodist Church and is the Leader of 1st Newport Boys' Brigade.</i>
Sun 14th	9:45am 10:00am	Ignite - Igniting God's Spirit in Young People. Christian Centre. <i>Ignite is for Young People aged 4 - 16 Sundays 9.45 - 10.30am (except the 1st Sunday of each month). Worship, Prayer, Craft, Bible study and fun!</i> Worship & Communion Service - Rev. Carol Smart. Speaker: Mary Prangnell.
Tue 16th	7:00pm	IW Deanery Synod Meeting - Christ Church, Sandown.
Sat 20th	3:00pm	Messy Church at St. Paul's!



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<https://uk.icej.org/uk-events>

50th Anniversary
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Prophetic Teaching - Anyone interested in the upcoming event being held at VLC for the Prophetic Teaching Course please speak to Leigh for further details▲

Deanery News... At the first meeting of the new triennium we need to elect the officers for a 3 year period - we will need a lay chair, secretary, chair of finance

committee and a deanery treasurer. Sadly after many years of service Peter Blake has decided to stand down as deanery treasurer – please do consider if you or someone from your parish might be willing to serve in this role (it is not a difficult task – far easier than being a parish treasurer!) From: Revd. Allie Kerr, Area Dean and Mission Development Advisor for the Isle of Wight and Vicar St. John, Newport▲ For more information please see Kevin!