

Today

Welcome to our Easter Sunday All-Age Worship and Communion Service.

We are very pleased to welcome Canon Alan Brown who will be leading our service today.

If you are new or visiting please make yourself known and feel welcome to join us for tea and coffee, before and after the service ▲

**“Christ is risen
- He is risen indeed...
Halleluiah!”**

New to or visiting St. Paul's? It's great to welcome you!

Our Sunday services are very simple. An opening hymn, a talk or sometimes DVD teaching, followed by a time of worship and prayers then (usually) we have Holy Communion (all welcome) and finally, a closing hymn. During the worship time we have an offering (look out for the little brown bag!) We welcome contributions but please don't feel obliged to give!

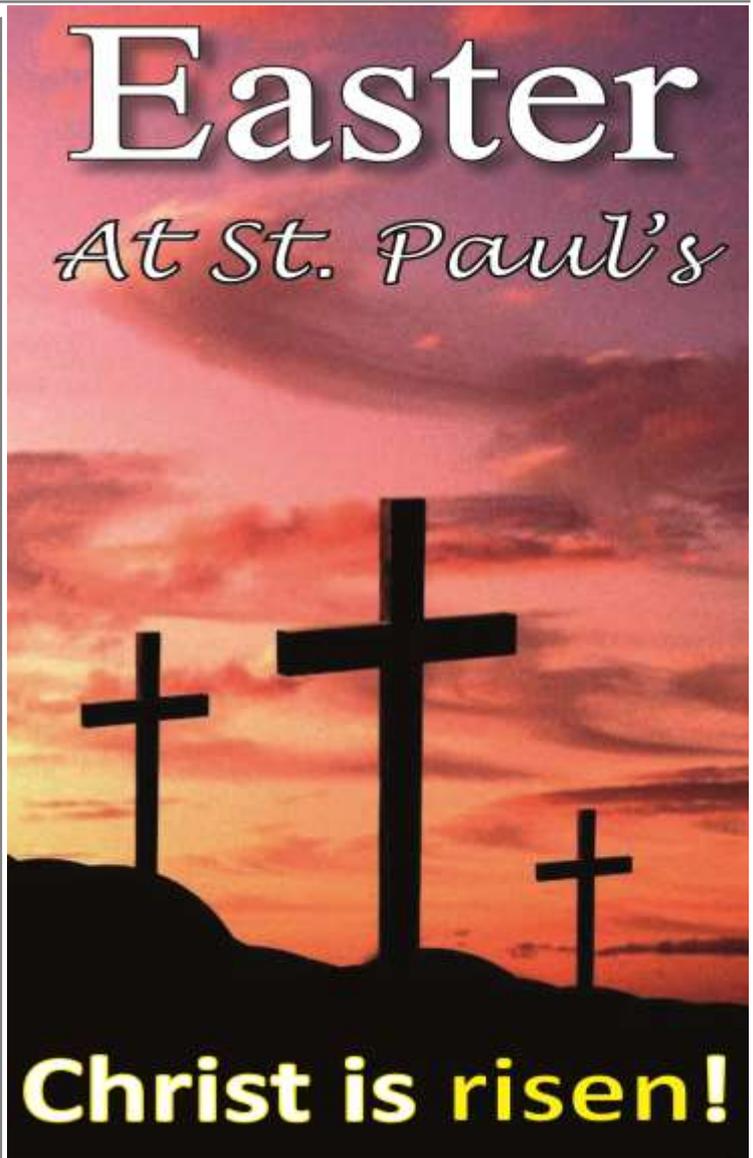


If you would like information about giving regularly either by standing order or using weekly envelopes please speak to Penny (at the back by the sound desk) or to Ian or Andrew our Churchwardens ▲

Electoral Roll

The St. Paul's Electoral Roll is now open for applications from new people wishing to join and closes after the service today. Forms can be found on the font and can be returned to Andrew ▲

News Following the recent wet weather the North West corner of the churchyard has again become waterlogged, in the past this area has become flooded creating a large pond! At the PCC meeting this week it was decided that this area (which is significantly clear of gravestones) would make an ideal location for an open air baptismal pool. If you would like to volunteer to help dig this out (or have a spare JCB digger to hand) please speak to Kevin. In the meantime we will be requesting Diocesan permission for the construction of changing rooms and a coffee shop ▲



Easter Sunday Collect
God of glory,
by the raising of your Son
you have broken the chains of death and hell:
fill your Church with faith and hope;
for a new day has dawned
and the way to life stands open
in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

There's lots to do! Could you contribute to the life of our church by: Offering lifts? (See Malcolm), Welcoming? (See Margaret), Making tea & Coffee? (See Michele), Cleaning? (See Liz C) Washing up? (The door to the kitchen at the back is always open!) Thanks ▲



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This week

Date	Time	Event
Wed 4th	10:15am	Holy Communion - Rev. Carol Smart.
Thu 5th	2:00pm	'Tea & Chat' - in the Christian Centre (2:00pm - 4:00pm). All welcome... bring a friend!
Sat 7th	9:00am	Prayer for Israel & the Middle East - in the church 9:00am - 10:00am.

Looking ahead - Dates for your diary...

Date	Time	Event
Sun 8th	10:00am	Worship & Communion Service - Rev. Dennis Lloyd.
Sun 15th	10:00am	Worship & Communion Service - Rev. Carol Smart. Speaker Mary Prangnell.
Wed 25th	7:30pm	Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM).

prayer & fasting

Ahead of the next stage of the process of seeking a new Vicar for St. Paul's, the PCC have asked all who are able to join in 24 hours of personal prayer and fasting as we seek God's will over an appointment. Please pray for wisdom and discernment for all those involved. This will run from sundown on Friday 20th April to sundown on Saturday 21st. We appreciate that not everyone can fast or pray for the whole time but do join us in seeking God's will for our fellowship ▲

Christian Centre Improvements

It was good to have a busy day with the Community Payback team recently who worked very hard to clear the overgrown area next to the centre. We still need to do some ground clearing work so look out for a work party opportunity soon!

During the week Monday 9th April to Friday 13th April the windows and doors of the Centre are being replaced. It's school holiday time so this should be a good opportunity to get the work done.

If you have a group using the Centre during the daytime that week can you please contact Kevin to check availability!

The Centre has 8 sets of curtains that need to be taken down and washed ("Spring cleaned", if Spring ever arrives!). If you could help by taking a pair or two to wash it would be very much appreciated. Again, speak to Kevin ▲



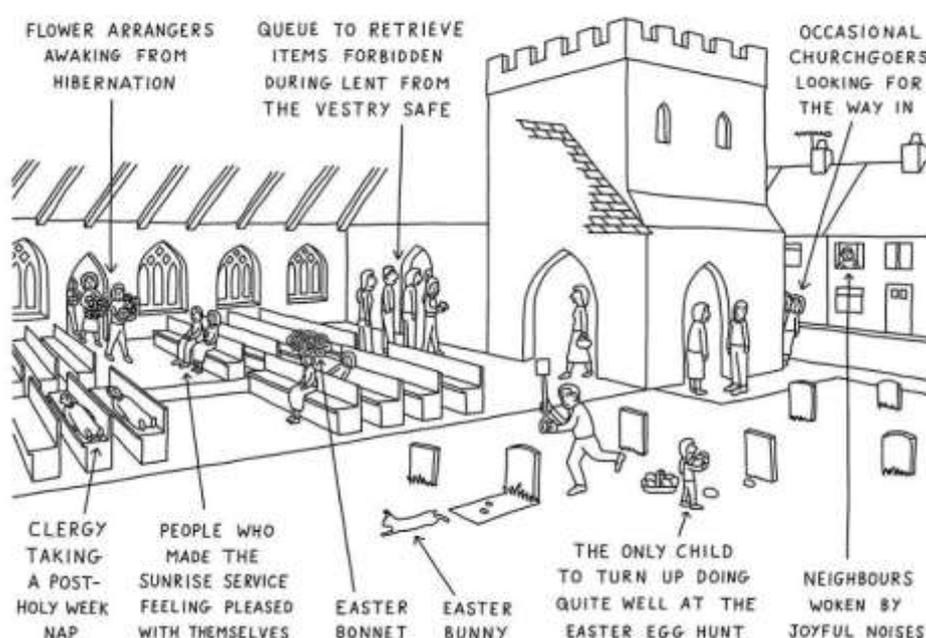
Night Shelter Meals Last Thursday saw the last of our meals in the Christian Centre for the homeless (and yes, everyone got an Easter Egg!). It has been a real privilege to partner with the Salvation Army over the last five months in this new initiative. A big 'Thank You' to everyone who has helped with this by cooking, set-up and clearing and befriending.

Cally's table decoration (right) was a fitting finish for our meal!



Easter Blessings

THE EASTER SERVICE



Giving a helping hand...



Pat Trevett's son, Andrew, will be taking on the challenge of the London Marathon this year in aid of Ovacome, a charity supporting those with and informing others about ovarian cancer.

The run is on Sunday 22nd April. If you'd like to sponsor him speak to Pat or you can visit Andrew's Donation Page at:

<https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/andrewovacome2018>

ovacome
ovarian cancer charity