



St Matthew with St Paul
Pilgrims on a journey

6 August 2017
The Transfiguration of our Lord

Welcome

A warm welcome to everyone, and especially if you are new or visiting. Do please stay on for drinks and to meet people after the 9.30 and 11.15 services and keep this welcome sheet for your prayers this week.

Prayer

- with the Anglican Communion we pray for the Episcopal Church in Puerto Rico; for Archbishop Justin; for Bishops Tim, Jonathan and David
- for the Sisters of St Andrew, near Taizé, among them Sister Katie Seal
- our mission giving: £450 for Winchester Churches Nightshelter, helping the homeless in our local area
- global warming predictions of deadly heat and humidity levels in South Asia by 2100
- all organisations locally that care for homeless and vulnerable people
- volunteers with Operation Hope (who we have supported financially) helping refugees at Maria Skobtsova House in Calais
- all, of any age, with no hope of a job/training or a future that offers a livelihood
- all whose work can be dangerous, and all injured/disabled due to their work
- those in despair or deep depression; those who have taken their own lives
- politicians during this summer holiday; space for reflection, perspective and rest
- giving thanks for the beautiful city we live in, and for our friends and families
- our architect Antony Feltham-King and his team drawing up detailed plans for *Building for Life* at St Paul's; a blessing on our Fund-Raising Appeal
- the unwell: Caroline, Polly Birch, Judy Golding, Julia Jones, Laura Liepins, Emma and Mark Miller, Kate Morgan, Sally Owens, Jean Reeder and Ruth Smith. All awaiting appointments or treatments
- those who have died recently, including Priscilla Elvin, Alison Jones and Peter Nash; all who live with the pain of untimely death; God's comfort for their families and friends and all who remember loved ones

Please feel free to put prayer requests on the board at the back of church or e-mail them to admin@stmatthewstpaul.org.
St Paul's Lady Chapel is set up for prayer, either alone or with one of the prayer ministry team, after the 9.30 parish communion service.

Services today, 6 August

8 am [BCP] Holy Communion

St Paul's

Readings: p. 169



9.30 am

Family Communion with DIY crèche

St Paul's

Order of service in cream booklet

Collect

God of glory, it is good for us to be here.

Reveal your Son to us now
in the message of the prophets
and the witness of the apostles,
that we may heed his voice
and receive him in faith.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son. Amen.

**Children's
song**

I am a city

I am a city on a hill
I am a light in the darkness
Jesus living in me can change the world
I am a city on a hill
I am a light in the darkness
Jesus living in me can change the world.

*Let my light shine, let my light shine, let my light shine
Let my light shine, let my light shine, let my light shine
If God is for me, who can stand against me?
Let my light shine, let my light shine, let my light shine
If God is for me, who can stand against me?
Let my light shine, let my light shine, let my light shine.*

We are a city on a hill
We are a light in the darkness
Jesus living in us can change the world
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*Let your light shine, let your light shine, let your light shine
Let it shine,
Let your light shine, let your light shine, let your light shine
If God is for us, who can stand against us?
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Reading***Luke 9: 28–36 [p. 1171]***

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah' – not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

**Post
Communion**

Holy God,
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:
may we who are partakers at his table
reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know
his power to change and save.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

11.15 am
St Matthew's

[BCP] Holy Communion

Readings***2 Peter 1: 16–19 [p. 1171]***

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased'. We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

Luke 9: 28–36 [p. 1171]

See above

Next Sunday, 13 August

The ninth Sunday after Trinity

8 am [BCP] Holy Communion
St Matthew's *Readings: p. 170*

9.30 am Parish Communion
St Paul's *Readings: Romans 10: 5–15; Matthew 14: 22–33 [p. 280]*

11.15 am [BCP] Mattins
St Matthew's *Readings: Romans 10: 5–15; Matthew 14: 22–33 [p. 280]*

12 noon Baptism of Freya Jones
St Paul's

Building for Life

Thank you to everyone who is praying for our *Building for Life* project. Kathleen Freeman offers a weekly guide of prayer needs locally and beyond via e-mail. Do please consider joining; Kathleen would really like to hear from you: klvfreeman@aol.com.

*God our Father,
we give you thanks for all the blessings
you have shown your people in this city and this parish.
We seek your continued guidance
on our journey as pilgrim people.
We ask that through your Holy Spirit
you will bless our efforts
to embrace the Building for Life campaign.
Open our hearts and minds
as we take these next steps
and so enable us to continually grow
as a community of believers. Amen.*

The week ahead

Mon 7, 2 pm	Faith Development group	St Paul's
4.30 pm	Evening Prayer	St Paul's
7 pm	Women's group	Roebuck Inn
Tues 8, 4.30 pm	Evening Prayer	St Paul's
7.30 pm	Christian meditation	All Saints'
Wed 9, 11 am	[BCP] Holy Communion	St Matthew's
4.30 pm	Evening Prayer	St Paul's
8.30 pm	Men's group	Roebuck Inn
Sat 12, 3.30 pm	Wedding of Sarah Brown and Phil Seal	Kidlington

Diary dates

August

Tues 15, 7.30 pm	Christian meditation	All Saints'
Sat 19, 11.30 am	Baptism of Jessica Willoughby	St Paul's
Tues 22, 7.30 pm	Christian meditation	All Saints'
Thurs 24, 8.30 am	<i>Building for Life</i> steering group	Parish rooms
Sat 26, 1 pm	Wedding of Carly Thompson and Craig Redfern	St Paul's
Sun 27, 12 noon	Baptism of Charlie Martell	St Paul's
Tues 29, 7.30 pm	Christian meditation	All Saints'
Wed 30, 7.15 pm	Finance committee	Orchard End

September

Fri 1–Sun 3, all day	Parish camping	Avon Tyrrell
Wed 6, 2.30 pm	<i>Beyond Ourselves</i> committee	Parish rooms
Thurs 7, 9.30–11.30 am	Toddler group restarts	Parish rooms
6.30 pm	Reformation lecture series starts	University
Sat 9, all day	Ride + Stride	Both churches
Sun 10, 10 am	Tom Simpson's ordination	Exeter Cathedral
Tues 12, 7 pm	Women's group	Roebuck Inn
7.45 pm	Children's work team	Vera's home
Wed 13, 7.45 pm	PCC meeting	Parish rooms
Tues 19, 7.30 pm	<i>Building for Life</i> fund-raising group	St Paul's
Wed 20, 7 pm	St Matthew's planning group	Westley Close
Thurs 21, 2 pm	Wheeler Jones Trust	St Barnabas'
Sat 23, 8 am	Peter Seal's Clarendon Way walk	Cathedral
6.30 pm	Young musicians' concert	St Matthew's
Sun 24, 11.15 am	Patronal Mattins followed by drinks	St Matthew's
Wed 27, 7.30 pm	Music committee	St Paul's
Fri 29–Sat 30, all day	Craft exhibition	St Matthew's
Sat 30, 9.30 am–1 pm	PCC mission action planning	

October

Sun 1	Harvest Festival/Bring & share lunch	
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Coming up

Christian meditation During August, please note that this is held at All Saints' Church, Highcliffe – all are welcome (Tuesdays, 7.30 pm).

A message from Phil Seal Sarah and I will be getting married at St Mary's, Kidlington, OX5 2BB, on Sat 12 August at 3.30 pm. We would be delighted if anybody from St Paul's or St Matthew's would like to come and be with us on our happy day. If you would like to be in touch about directions or other details, my e-mail is pjmseal@gmail.com.



Camping in the New Forest The 2017 parish camp will be on 1–3 September at Avon Tyrrell in the lovely New Forest. This is a fun event for all ages to get to know each other better and relax in peaceful surroundings; you can attend part time! Further details from miriam.trebacz@btopenworld.com.



Peter Seal's Clarendon Way walk Sat 23 September – Peter would be delighted if you could join him for a keep-fit challenge (24 or 12 miles) through beautiful countryside. All sponsorship towards *Building for Life* at St Paul's.

Always reforming: the continuing impact of the Reformation An autumn series of lectures, starting with a free event bookable via www.eventbrite.co.uk:

Thurs 7 September, 6 for 6.30 pm, King Alfred Campus, University of Winchester
Prof. Tom Greggs, *'The God who is transcendent in our midst' (Bonhoeffer): Divine and creaturely action according to the Reformation*

Subsequent lectures on 18, 20, 25, 26 September, 7 pm, at the Wessex Centre in the Cathedral Close, £5 each or £16 for the series. Tickets from the cathedral box office in person or online, or telephone 857200.

Craft exhibition at St Matthew's Fri 29 and Sat 30 September, 10 am–4 pm – an exhibition of exquisite and interesting crafts of all sorts.

Calling all jigsaw puzzlers! Would you like to spend a sociable morning or afternoon together at St Matthew's, in teams of three, completing a 500-piece puzzle in two hours? Planned for some time in September/October – for further information please contact Gary Ruffell, 881513, gary.ruffell@btinternet.com.

Notices

New prayer group to support homeless hostel West View is a hostel in Hyde Gate for single homeless people, including some with drug, alcohol and mental health issues. If you might be interested in forming/attending an ecumenical prayer group to support West View, please contact Alys Blakeway, alys_blakeway@yahoo.co.uk.

Thank you for your support Valerie Anderson would like to thank everyone who encouraged and supported her Thames Path walk on 29 July to raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support. She set off from Windsor at 9 am and reached Cookham for lunch before pressing on to Henley to arrive just after 6 pm – ‘tired and emotional’! After walking past five wedding receptions and a regatta as well as countless narrow boats, launches, rowing boats, swans, cygnets and geese, there were a few tender toes and blisters, but she is grateful that she had the opportunity to do this. Thank you again to all those generous people who donated to the appeal – which is, of course, still open! www.justgiving.com/fundraising/valerie-anderson-macmillan.

Seeking volunteer Christian Aid teachers Christian Aid is recruiting individuals with experience in the education system to go into primary schools to tell people about a new accreditation system launching in 2018 in partnership with the Church of England Education Office. It will see schools recognised for their work in helping pupils grow into global citizens, motivated to free the world of poverty. Please visit www.jobs.christianaid.org.uk/vacancy.

Accommodation request Churches Together in Winchester has forwarded a request from the Lewes Group in Support of Refugees and Asylum Seekers, for accommodation that might be offered by a single person at low cost to a Turkish woman in her 30s. Previously an asylum seeker, she now has leave to remain and will be studying Archaeology at Winchester University from mid-September. If you could help, or know someone who could, please contact Dorothy Lusmore, dotlusmore@gmail.com.

Magazine delivery We are most grateful to the two people who have recently taken on delivery rounds.

Trinity Centre Donations of men’s and women’s casual clothes and shoes required. Warm items also needed, please; contact lucy@trinitywinchester.org.uk.

Nightshelter Grateful for black bin bags, tin foil, loo rolls, biscuits, tins of custard and squash. Please leave in the box at the back of St Paul’s. These small gifts do make a big difference: each year, donations of food and domestic items save the Nightshelter around £27,000 – vital money it can allocate to other services.



Interested in meeting people/getting involved?

- *Twirties group* for 20s and 30s, meeting monthly on Sunday evenings; please contact Katy Charles, twirtiesstpauls@gmail.com
- *Women's group* next meets on Mon 7 Aug, 7 pm, at the Roebuck for supper; please contact Julia Seal, 854849, julia.seal@ntlworld.com
- *Men's group* next meets Wed 9 Aug, 8.30 pm, at the Roebuck for a drink and a chat; please contact Chris Sharp, 849186, chrisesharp@gmail.com
- *Daytime book group* next meets on Mon 4 Sept, 3–4.30 pm, at 18 Bereweke Avenue; contacts: Talia Hedstrom, 868728, or Christine Bennett, 852681
- *Evening 'Glimpses of God' group* reconvenes in the autumn, meeting on Mondays, 8–9.15 pm; please contact Christine Bennett, 852681
- *Monday homegroup* please contact Chris Sharp, 849186
- *Tuesday homegroup* meets on the first and third Tuesdays of the month, 7.45–9.15 pm, to study book 6 of the *Pilgrim* course; for further information please contact James Clay, 852141
- *Meditation group*, Tuesdays, 7.30 pm, at All Saints', Highcliffe, during August; all welcome
- *Thursday homegroup* meeting fortnightly, 7.30 for 7.45 pm, and reconvening on 21 September; please contact Peter & Irene Casey, 808776

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