



St Matthew with St Paul
Pilgrims on a journey

16 September 2018

*Holy Cross Day;
the 16th Sunday after Trinity*

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 province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan; for Archbishop Justin; for Bishops Tim, Jonathan and David
- for the Sisters of St Andrew in Lyon, among them Sister Katie Seal
- our mission giving: £250 for young refugees being supported by Taizé
- the United Nations, our armed forces, our prime minister and all leaders; grant them wisdom, integrity and compassion
- those responsible for handling the Brexit process and all who are worried for the future
- St Cross Hospital and the parish of St Faith, Winchester, on Holy Cross Day
- the NHS, struggling to cope with the huge demands it faces; all staff working long hours, for the ability to make good judgements even when tired or under pressure
- all who work with older people, and those who offer friendship and hospitality
- all who live with poor mental health, their families and those who care for them
- the 'quiet' team of helpers: thanksgiving for all who do those little tasks in our churches, who sometimes go unnoticed but contribute so much – THANK YOU
- the unwell: Cheryl Barge, Caroline Behan, Vera Edwards, Judy Golding, Joy Hart, Andrew James, Julia Jones, Laura Liepins, Anna McKenzie (age 11), Emma and Mark Miller, Kate Morgan, Jean Reeder, Les Scott and Jane and Philip Seal (Peter's parents). All awaiting appointments or treatments
- those who have died recently, including Michael Pain (David's father); all who live with untimely death; God's comfort for their families and friends

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, 16 September

8 am
St Matthew's

[BCP] Holy Communion

Readings: p. 182



9.30 am
St Paul's

Parish Communion with DIY crèche, Scramblers,
Climbers, Explorers, Destination and Transition

Order of service in pale green booklet

Hymn

For God so loved the world
he gave his only Son,
and whoever believes in him
shall not die but have eternal life.

L is for the love that he has for me,
I am the reason he died on the tree,
F is for forgiveness and now I am free,
E is to enjoy being in his company.

Words and music: John Hardwick

Collect

Lifted up among us, O God, is Jesus the crucified:
sign of your steadfast love and pledge of your will to save.
To those who look upon the cross with faith
grant healing of soul and life eternal.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son. Amen.

Readings

Isaiah 50: 4–9a [p. 671]

The Lord God has given me
the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he wakens –
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.

The Lord God has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backwards.

I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.

The Lord God helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.
It is the Lord God who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

Mark 8: 27–38 [p. 673]

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets'. He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah'. And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

Choir

'The Call' by Ian Rees, words by George Herbert
'On Eagle's Wings' by Michael Joncas

**Post
Communion**

Faithful God, whose Son bore our sins in his body on the tree and gave us this sacrament to show forth his death until he comes: give us grace to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our salvation, our life and our hope, who reigns as Lord, now and for ever. Amen.

11.15 am
St Matthew's

[BCP] Mattins

Readings

Isaiah 50: 4–9a; Mark 8: 27–38 [p. 671]
See above

4 pm
St Paul's

St Paul's @ 4, 'The story of Moses'



Services next Sunday, 23 September

Matthew, apostle and evangelist, our patronal festival

8 am St Matthew's	[BCP] Holy Communion <i>Readings: p. 226</i>
9.30 am St Paul's	Parish Communion; Canon Keith Anderson celebrates the 40th anniversary of his ordination <i>Readings: Proverbs 3: 13–18; Matthew 9: 9–13 [p. 1184]</i>
11.15 am St Matthew's	[BCP] Patronal Mattins followed by drinks <i>Readings: Proverbs 3: 13–18; Matthew 9: 9–13 [p. 1184]</i>
6 pm Cathedral	Taizé service

Preparing for Harvest, 30 September

At our morning services we welcome non-perishable gifts, to be shared between:

- the Nightshelter – providing temporary overnight shelter for homeless people
- Trinity Winchester – a daytime drop-in centre for the unemployed/homeless
- the Basics Bank – supporting families and individuals on low incomes with food and basic necessities.

Harvest Festival provides the Winchester Churches Nightshelter with an invaluable opportunity to replenish its food stocks for the year ahead. Residents receive breakfast and a hot cooked evening meal every day of the year. Many of the donations received are also used in cooking workshops to help prepare residents for independent living after they have moved on from the Nightshelter.

Items that will be particularly helpful this year

Food and drink: instant coffee, soft drinks, sugar, biscuits, tinned vegetables, gravy granules, stock cubes, marmite, tinned custard, healthy cereals (no pasta, porridge or tea, please)

Housekeeping items: loo rolls, toilet cleaner, anti-bacterial spray and wipes, washing powder, washing-up liquid, J cloths, metal scourers, silver foil, strong dustbin liners

Toiletries: liquid soap, shower gel, shaving foam, three-ply razors, men's spray deodorant, good-quality toothbrushes



Harvest bring & share lunch

30 September, 12.45 pm for 1 pm. Please sign up at the back of the church. Everyone's welcome, especially if you're new or haven't been before.

The week ahead

Mon 17, 8.30 am	<i>Building for Life</i> steering group	St Paul's
2.15 pm	Wheeler Jones Trust	St Barnabas'
4.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Lady Chapel
Tues 18, 4.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Lady Chapel
7.30 pm	Christian meditation	Parish rooms
Wed 19, 11 am	[BCP] Holy Communion	St Matthew's
4.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Lady Chapel
7.30 pm	New Wine feedback	Berewecke Ave
Thurs 20, 9.30–11.30 am	Toddler group	Parish rooms
Sat 22, 8 am–5.30 pm	Parish Clarendon Way walk	

Diary dates

September

Wed 26, 7.15 pm	Finance committee	Orchard End
Sun 30, 9.30/11.15 am	Harvest Festival	Both churches
12.45 for 1 pm	Bring & share lunch	St Paul's

October

Tues 2, 7 pm	Alister McGrath lecture	Cathedral
Wed 3, 12.30–1 pm	Space in the City series starts	United Church
2 pm	Faith Development group	Parish rooms
2.30 pm	Book group	Teg Down
Fri 5–Sun 7	Men's weekend	Hilfield Friary
Thurs 11, 7–8.30 pm	<i>The Annunciation: A Pilgrim's Quest</i> – Mark Byford in conversation with Debbie Thrower	Wessex Centre

Coming up

Clarendon Way walk This coming Saturday! All are welcome to join Peter Seal for part or all of the 24-mile hike. There's a signup form at the back of church. And please sponsor Peter – all he raises will be for *Building for Life*, and thanks to a very generous offer every £ you give will be match funded. So sponsorship of £10 becomes £20, plus gift aid. One year Peter raised £2,000, and it would be great to top that.



Concert in aid of Anna Chaplains, who work with elderly people providing spiritual and practical support. On Sat 22 September, 7.30 pm, the Reading Phoenix Choir present a concert at St Mary's, Kings Worthy, in support of the Anna Chaplaincy Hub based there, performing their eclectic mix of traditional choral repertoire and amusing takes on well-loved modern and traditional songs. Tickets £10 from www.readingphoenixchoir.com.

Spurgeons' work at Winchester Prison Children's charity Spurgeons and Winchester Mothers Union are holding two drop-in open mornings at Spurgeons Visitors Centre, HMP Winchester, on Wed 19 and Tues 25 September, 10–11.30 am. Do go and find out more about 'Invisible Walls', their work with the children and families of prisoners.

A Matter of Life and Death – creating space to think and talk about death and dying On Sun 30 September, 2–4 pm, at 16 Colebrook Street, Liz and Debs will facilitate a discussion session; please contact liz.hanvey1@gmail.com or 869863 (limited numbers; booking essential).

Songs of angels Christopher Tolley, who plays the organ for St Paul's 9.30 worship once a month, will be conducting the Thomas Weelkes Singers at a concert in aid of Blue Apple Theatre at St Cross Church on Sun 30 September, 7.30 pm. Tickets £13 from www.tickets.winchester-cathedral.org.uk, 857275, or at the door.

Christian Aid murder mystery evening Following the sell-out success of their last event, the Geriactors and Winchester & District Christian Aid Committee will be hosting another 'Whodunnit?' at Twyford Village Hall on Fri 12 October, 7 for 7.30 pm. Tickets £15 to include coffee, tea and after-dinner mints. Bring a hamper, torch and your best detective mind! This year the EU will be match-funding all monies raised by a ratio of 4:1! Do come; it's a great night out and it would be fabulous to have a couple of tables of St Matthew's/St Paul's folk! Tickets/information from Julie Sharp, 07952 236887, juliemichaela@gmail.com.

Notices

Update about Katie Seal During August, as part of her training as a novice with the Sisters of St Andrew, Katie undertook a guided 30-day Ignatian silent retreat at the Jesuit Spiritual Centre at Le Chatelard, Francheville. This was something she had been hoping to do for some years. She found this to be a valuable and rich experience. The time is divided into four weeks, with a theme for each. There is much study and a great deal of prayer – she said it was hard work!

Katie seems well and content. After a few weeks helping look after the older Sisters at the Mother House in Belgium, she will soon be back in Lyon to begin the second year of her novitiate; this includes time training with novices from other religious Orders in Lyon and Paris. Katie really enjoys this academic study and the interaction with others on a similar path of discernment. We all – Katie, Peter, Julia, Phil – are so grateful for your ongoing prayers and support.

Uganda trip At the end of October Mollie Stannard is travelling to Kampala, Uganda, to work as a volunteer for four weeks at Wakisa Ministry, a Christian pregnancy crisis charity. She would like to fill a suitcase with light essential items that are difficult to come by or expensive in Uganda. This includes pens, pencils (coloured and lead), exercise books, needles and thread, fabric nappies and cotton

wool. If you would like to contribute, there is a box at the back of church for your donations.

Women's weekend? Ladies, would you be interested in attending a two-day, minimally led retreat over a weekend sometime in 2019? If this appeals to you, please register your interest with Liz Stannard on 855871 or liz@thestannards.co.uk before the end of November. Thank you.

St Paul's autumn fayre, in aid of *Building for Life*, will be on Sat 9 November, 10.30–12.30. We're now collecting books, bric-à-brac and toys. Please leave them in the porch at 4 Berewecke Close or at the back of St Paul's. Any enquiries, offers of help, to Vera Edwards, 867242, veraedwards@hotmail.co.uk.

Trinity Centre Donations of men's and women's casual clothes, shoes and warm items appreciated; contact lucy@trinitywinchester.org.uk.

Winchester women's refuge A safe haven for women and children fleeing domestic abuse. Please help by leaving towels and toiletries in the box at the back of church.

Plastic bottle tops – let's fill another crate! Help reduce plastic waste and raise money for a local charity – Friends of Lanterns, supporting the nursery school on Berewecke Road. Please put washed plastic tops in the crate at the back of St Paul's. They must be type 2 or 4, as marked within the recycling triangle.

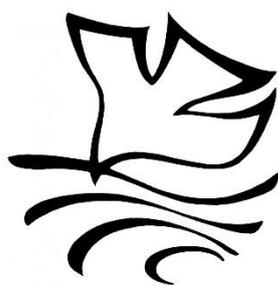


Interested in meeting people/getting involved?

- *Women's group* next meets Tues 16 October, 7 pm, at the Roebuck for supper; please contact Julia Seal, 854849, julia.seal@ntlworld.com
- *Men's group* next meets Wed 10 October, 8.30 pm, at the Roebuck for a drink and a chat; please contact Chris Sharp, 849186, chrisesharp@gmail.com
- *Tea with Friends* runs on the second Monday of the month, 2.30–4.30 pm; please contact Linda Russell-Smith, 853584, or Heather Riley, 862867
- *St Paul's Coffee Pot* next meets Fri 12 October, 9.30 am–noon in St Paul's, for real coffee, homemade cakes and a chat (donations to *Building for Life*); children welcome
- *Daytime book group* next meets Wed 3 October, 2.30 pm, in Teg Down; please contact Talia Hedstrom, 868728, or Christine Bennett, 852681
- *Meditation group* meets on Tuesdays, 7.30 pm in the parish rooms – come as you are and rest in God's presence
- *Tuesday homegroup* meets on the first and third Tuesdays of the month, 7.45–9.15 pm; for further information please contact James Clay, 852141
- *Thursday homegroup* meets fortnightly, 7.30 for 7.45 pm, this term studying *A Beautiful Friendship*, based on the film *Casablanca*; please contact Peter and Irene Casey, 808776

Building for Life

- ***Give to Building for Life and your gift will be doubled!*** Thanks to an anonymous donor, all new gifts between now and the end of September will be matched up to a total of £20,000. So far we've received £2,500 – our grateful thanks.
- ***Sponsor in memory*** Our architect has prepared a brief list of specific, major items of expenditure. These may be elements of the project that some individuals may wish to sponsor in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for some special life event. If this could be something you wish to explore, please speak to Peter Seal in confidence.
- ***Springs of living water*** Do have a look at the proposed position for the relocated (old) font, with lettering cut into the floor.



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Please make cheques payable to St Matthew's PCC – all gifts gratefully received

Please send in any notices for the welcome sheet to ursula@stmatthewstpaul.org by Wednesday evening for inclusion the following Sunday