

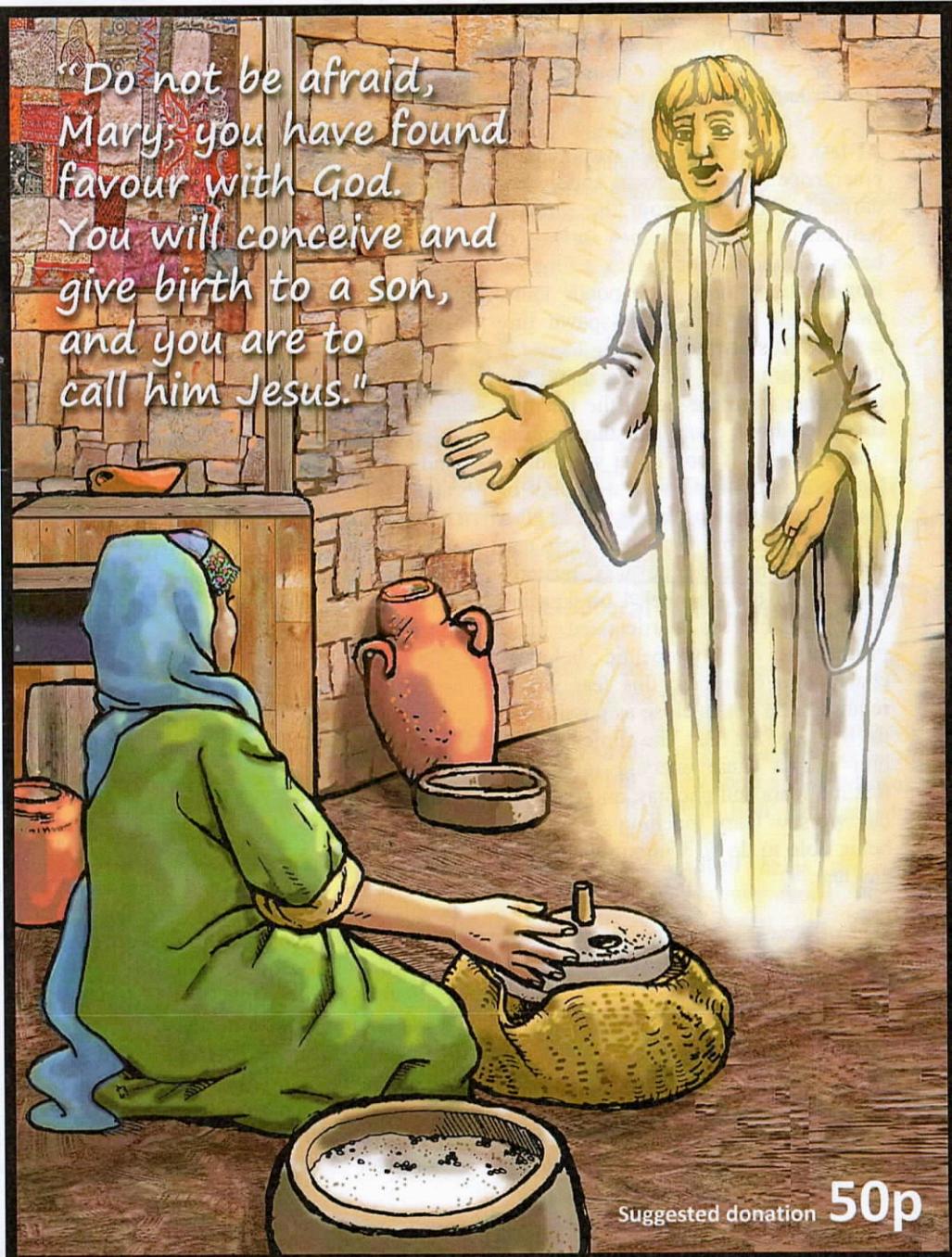
# March 2025

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## Sale, St. Paul's

'Serving God and the community'

*"Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favour with God. You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus."*



Suggested donation **50p**

# From the Vicar.....

Dear friends,

At last, Spring is on its way and the emergence of purple crocus and yellow daffodils emerging from the grounds reminds us that we can look forward to better weather to come. It's a time for frog-spotting, those with ponds know the tell-tale signs of frog-spawn tiny tadpoles. It's always amazing to watch the transformation, little legs that begin to emerge from the body, the tail that suddenly drops away and the familiar froggy eyes that look up at you out of the water. For those with a phobia of frogs (ranidaphobia) this is not at all a pleasant sensation. Gardener Garry can attest to this, after he was recently featured on the Channel 4 programme 'Fear Clinic'. He participated in a programme of therapeutic help to enable him overcome this fear which required him get as close as possible to the object of his fear. The clinic treating him has a huge success rate with treating fears and phobias, and the next day we saw Gary touching a frog and being able to do so without apparently any fear.

Fear of course is very necessary to us, we teach children to fear – don't touch that it's hot - for example to keep them safe. Fear can arise from high emotions - feeling unsafe at a party full of balloons as a child for example led another participant to have a balloon phobia. Sadly, some churches can become places of fear too, quite often

unintentionally- however once someone has been hurt it is often too painful to come back to that place. People's fear of sharing is a significant problem within many church communities: the pervasive fear of judgment influences a resulting reluctance to be vulnerable. A fear of change can also be damaging in churches, where individual's heightened emotional states around and resistance to any kind of change causes a paralysis effect. Not wishing to upset individuals, nothing actually changes apart from the church dwindling on a downward spiral.

Shame and the fear of 'feeling not good enough' can silence us in environments where judgment dominates. These feelings are particularly damaging in surroundings where you expect acceptance and understanding, but encounter criticism or gossip. It's ironic because the church should be the safest place for us to share our struggles, yet for many, it feels like the last place they can be open. The fear of judgment is so intense that it prevents people from sharing their true selves, leading to isolation and a sense of not belonging. A quote I once read resonates deeply with this struggle: "Shame dies in safe spaces." To me, this means that if I have a story that fills me with shame, I can only begin to heal and find relief by sharing it in a space where I feel truly safe and supported.

But what happens when the very place that should be a place of refuge feels like a place of judgment? This culture of perfectionism is not just a problem; it's damaging. It creates an environment where people must hide their struggles, leading to a lack of genuine connection within the church. The very thing that should bring us closer—our shared humanity and the struggles that come with it—becomes the thing that drives us apart. So to counter this, we must create a church culture where vulnerability is accepted, valued, and supported. Our congregation comprises a diverse group of people, individuals with various issues, brokenness and on different spiritual journeys. As we enter this season of Lent, let's try and be accountable to one another, that we may put aside the temptation for criticism and gossip and look to be kinder and accepting of one another, that we learn not to fear change, but to embrace it,

Yours in faith,  
Vicar Becky

## Tuesday Group

Thank you to everyone who came to our AGM last month and helped me to cope with chairing the meeting despite my lack of hearing!

On 11<sup>th</sup> March we shall welcome Carole Shakeshaft who will give us an illustrated talk entitled The Young men of School Road. This will be in the Church hall at 1.30pm.

I look forward to welcoming you then.

Diana

## EVERYBODY IS WELCOME

World Day of Prayer 2025

Cook Islands

'I made you wonderful'



Date and Time: 11am Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Location: St. Paul's, Springfield Road, SALE, M33 7YA

Contact person: Joan Tanner 07875 564 502

## A Big Thank You

To everyone who offered to have a Children's Society collecting box at home for their loose change.

We collected a total of £565 which addition to monies donated at the Christingle is nearly £1,000 raised for this wonderful charity.

Please do get in touch with Joyce on 0161 973-0396 or Anita on 0161 973-4769 if you'd like a collecting box.

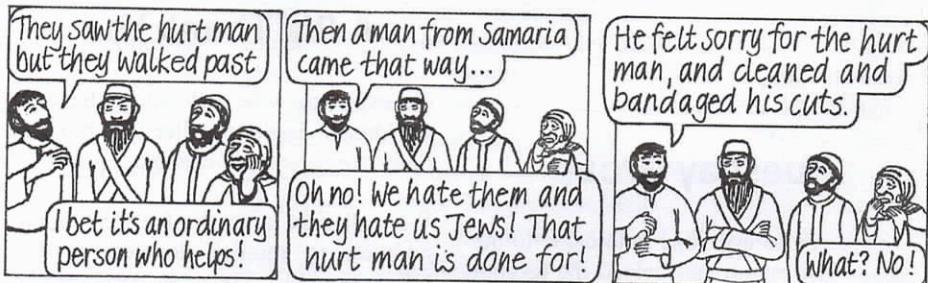
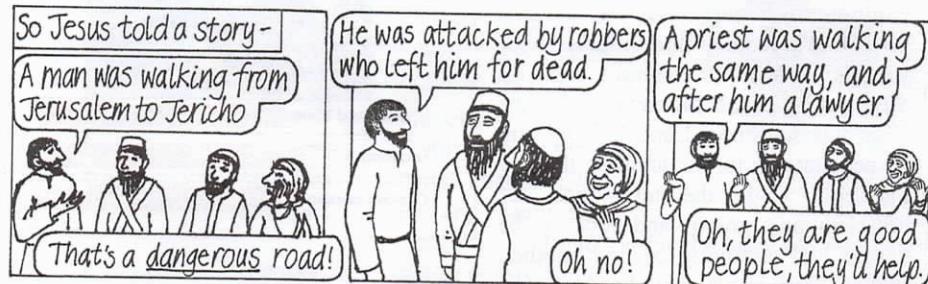
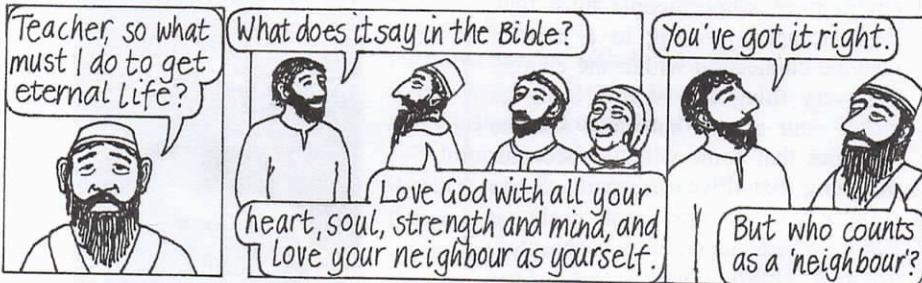


# Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in  
Luke 10: 25-37

An expert in the Law of Moses wanted to test Jesus' knowledge of the laws in the Bible, so he asked Jesus a question.



**Mouse Makes**

### THE TEMPTATION OF JESUS

After Jesus was baptised who led him into the wilderness?

*Luke 4:1*

**For how many days was Jesus tempted by the devil?**

*Luke 4:2*

*What did the devil tempt Jesus to turn a stone into?*

*Luke 4:3*

*What happened after the temptation of Jesus? see Luke 4:14-15*

Who did Jesus say you should ONLY worship and serve?

*Luke 4:8*

**READ**  
the story in  
*Luke 4:1-13*

**Jesus said not to put the Lord your God to the...**

*Luke 4:12*

JESUS • LED WILDERNESS  
DESERT  
TEMPTATIONS  
DAYS • DEVIL  
HUNGRY • SON  
STONE • ROCK  
KINGDOMS  
WORLD • GLORY  
WRITTEN  
SCRIPTURE  
WORSHIP • ONLY  
SERVE • LORD  
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HIGH • TEMPLE  
THROW • DOWN  
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HANDS • HOLD  
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*Find the words from the questions too!*

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# What's the Big Idea?

## An Introduction to the Books of the Old Testament: Psalms

This month we continue our examination of a selection of books from the Old Testament.

*'The Psalms have a unique place in the Bible, because most of the Scripture speaks to us, while the Psalms speak for us'* (Athanasius of Alexandria).

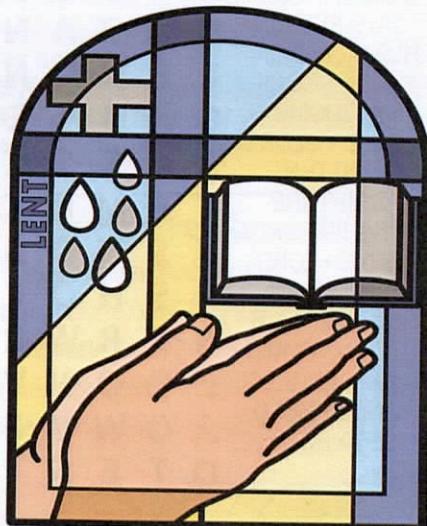
The Book of Psalms contains 150 prayers or songs of praise, the majority (73) attributed to David, although some were composed later. They were mostly composed for liturgical worship. There are songs of praise, in which people joyfully express praise for God's work of creation and sustaining (eg 135 & 136). In others, the psalmist recounts a desperate situation and gives thanks for God's answer to his prayers (eg 30 & 116).

There are a significant number of psalms of lament, both individual (eg 3-7; 22) and communal (eg 44), which begin with a cry for help. Some express deliverance from sin (51 & 130), or point to the certainty that the Lord has heard their prayer (7, but contrast 88). The theme of trust is central in many psalms (23, 62 & 91).

The 'royal psalms' (eg 20, 21 & 72) point to the promised Messiah, fulfilled in Jesus. There are also psalms teaching wisdom (eg 37, 49); 'torah' psalms, focussing on the law of the Lord (eg 1, 19 & 119), and psalms which celebrate the history of Israel and God's faithfulness (eg 78, 105 & 106).

The psalms can help us in our own prayers, by providing us with models to follow, as they express our own deepest feelings as we approach God: *'The Lord is my shepherd, I shall lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul'* (Psalm 23:1-3).

Paul Hardingham



## Bearing fruit takes time

The nine fruits of the Spirit are Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self-Control. We don't strive for the fruits of the Spirit, rather we plant ourselves in good soil, allow ourselves to be fed by the Holy Spirit, keep taking in nourishment, turn to face the light of Christ and these fruits will develop and grow in our lives.

Can you tell whether a tree is an apple tree or a pear tree?



Not easily when they are in blossom, but very easily when they bear fruit. Bearing fruit takes time and a lot of planting, preparation, nurture and growth.

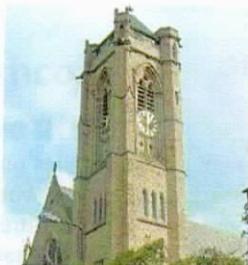
March is the time of year when gardeners begin to plant seeds ready for summer, but patience is needed – the seeds will take a while to germinate, and the gardener needs to write the names of seeds on labels and not forget which are fruit, flowers and vegetables. The seeds need to be in the dark, or the light, or the warmth or the cool, depending at what stage of life they are at.

So too, is God with us. God writes our names on His heart; God knows what fruit we can bring forth. God nurtures us and gives us light to grow. But first, we need to be planted and that can be scary.

Maybe you are feeling in a cold dark place this March, maybe it feels as if you've been buried, maybe you've got a weight above you and you can't see the way out. Just think that maybe you've been buried because you've been planted.

With patience there will be warmth and light, be like a seed, trust God, and begin to grow out of the darkness towards God's marvellous light. We won't see fruit immediately; we have to be nourished and mature and ripen. Patience will be given to us, fruit of the seed of the Holy Spirit.





# St Paul's Church, Sale

## Lent 2025

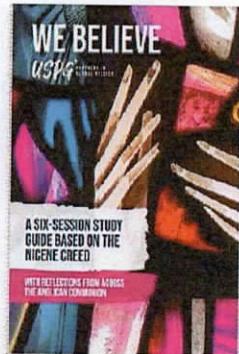
**Lent Course- Wednesday Morning 11am-12noon**

**Meeting in the Church -Upper Choir**

**Vestry (12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> April).**

*Using 'We Believe' based on the Nicene Creed - course booklets will be provided.*

Please get in touch with Vicar Becky if you'd like more information and are interested in attending.  
[revbmathewstpaulsale@gmail.com](mailto:revbmathewstpaulsale@gmail.com) / 07584604627



**Stations of The Cross**

**Thursday Evening 7.30-8.30pm in  
Church 13<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> March & 10<sup>th</sup> April**



The Stations of the Cross have formed part of Christian devotion for many centuries because they offer the individual the opportunity for prayer and reflection following in the footsteps of Jesus on the way to the Cross.

St Paul's has temporary stations just for Lent which are from a collection of paintings by the priest artist; Sieger Koder. 14 images known as Stations are put up around the inside of the church.

At each station we pause to hear bible verses, a reflection, prayer and sing a verse of a hymn before we move onto the next image.

The Stations of the Cross originated when early Christians visited Jerusalem and wanted to follow literally in the way

of Jesus, tracing the path from Pilate's house to Calvary and the garden tomb. They would pause for prayer and devotion at various points.

If you're not very mobile, you may sit down at any point. Please get in touch with clergy if you have any accessibility requirements.



St Paul's Church,  
Springfield Road, Sale, M33 7YA

## Holy Week & Easter Services 2025

### Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April Palm Sunday

**10am Family Communion** with Procession & Blessing of Palm Crosses - *please gather in the Church Hall for the start of the service.*

**6pm Evening Prayer**



### Feet Washing

### Maundy Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April

**7.30pm** Holy Communion- Commemoration of the Last Supper, foot-washing & vigil.

### Good Friday 18<sup>th</sup> April

**2-3pm** The Last Hour - a service of readings, reflections, music & symbolic actions.



### Holy Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April

**8-9pm** Easter Vigil with lighting new candle & the renewal of baptism vows.

### Easter Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April

**10am** Sung Parish Communion

**6pm** Evening Prayer

For more information please take a look at our webpage:  
<https://stpaulsale.co.uk> or contact Vicar Becky on 0161 2178795.

Alleluia  
He is  
**Risen**



# wiggle worship

## at St. Paul's Sale

**What?**

Sunday School for 0-7 year-olds and monthly All-Age Worship.

**When?**

Sundays at 10am (Sunday school is term-time only).

I Can't wait to see you!

**Where?**

Sunday school: St. Paul's church hall (meet in church in the children's area).

All-age worship: in church.

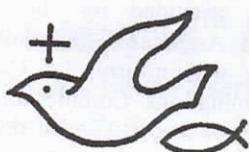


No Wiggle Worship	March	April	May
<b>1st Sunday</b>	Sunday school	School holidays	Sunday school
<b>2nd Sunday</b>	<b>All-Age Wiggle Worship</b>	Palm Sunday	<b>All-Age Wiggle Worship</b>
<b>3rd Sunday</b>	Sunday school	Easter Sunday	Sunday school
<b>4th Sunday</b>	Sunday school	Manchester Marathon	School holidays
<b>5th Sunday</b>	Mothering Sunday		

For more information, ask for **Laura** or speak to a member of the **Clergy**.

## What the Electoral Roll is

The Electoral Roll is literally a register of people who can elect other people in the church. Being on the church Electoral Roll means that you can vote on any relevant issues at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and stand for election to the PCC (the church council). Although the Electoral Roll is the closest thing the Church of England has to official membership, just signing up doesn't really make you a member of the church. It's more like you are already a 'member', by coming regularly to St Paul's and participating in the life of the church, and that would be your reason for being on the Electoral Roll.



Could you help with serving St Paul's through any of the following roles:

Church Cleaning  
Reading/Intercessions  
Looking after the external notice-boards

Hall Bookings Officer  
Deanery Synod Rep

Please have a chat with Becky or Church Warden Yvonne S.

### How to apply to be on the Electoral Roll

To apply for the church Electoral Roll, you must:

- be 16 years old or over (although you can apply in the year you become 16 and you can be on the Electoral Roll once your birthday has passed)
- be baptised
- either live in the parish or have attended the church regularly for at least 6 months

Simply fill in the form and return it to one of the clergy or churchwarden.

### Every 6 years

Every 6 years a new Roll must be prepared; this allows us to remove people who are now not attending the church and so have a more Up To Date Roll. Forms can be found at the back of church. The deadline is 20<sup>th</sup> April 2025.



# Consultation on the nomination of the 106th Archbishop of Canterbury

Please join us in prayer as we seek to discern the person God is calling to this role.

The Archbishop of Canterbury is a key leader within the Church of England and the wider Anglican Communion, which is made up of churches in over 165 countries. The Archbishop is also the Diocesan Bishop of Canterbury, supported by the Bishop of Dover.

The process to nominate the next Archbishop of Canterbury is underway, and we want to hear from you. Whether you are based in England or anywhere in the Anglican Communion, your views matter. This consultation invites you to share your thoughts on what qualities, values, and vision the future Archbishop should embody.

This public consultation runs alongside consultation with key stakeholders from in and around the Church. Your feedback will play a vital role in shaping the decision-making process as we seek God's guidance for the next Archbishop of Canterbury.

## Ways to submit your views

The consultation closes on 28 March, so please ensure your response is submitted before then.

### Online submission

Complete the online consultation form.

### Postal submission

You can also send your input by post to the address below:

Canon Stephen Knott

The Archbishops' Secretary for Appointments

Canterbury Crown Nominations Commission (CNC)

Lambeth Palace, London SE1 7JU

### Why your input matters

This is a unique opportunity to influence

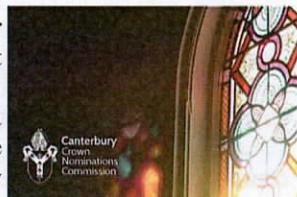
the future of leadership within the Church. We encourage people and communities across the Anglican Communion to take part. Every response helps us better understand the qualities that the next Archbishop should have to meet the needs of the Church today and in the years to come.

The themes that emerge through this consultation will sit alongside the 'Statement of Needs' produced by the Diocese of Canterbury, as well as other information provided by the National Church and Anglican Communion. This information will inform the Canterbury Crown Nominations Commission (CNC) of the needs of the mission of the Church of England and the wider Anglican Communion.

### A prayer for the Canterbury CNC process

If you pray, please do hold this important process of discernment – and all those involved – in your prayers:

*Heavenly Father,  
shepherd of your Church,  
send us a faithful pastor  
to lead with wisdom, courage, and love,  
proclaiming your Gospel,  
celebrating the sacraments,  
and guiding your people in unity and truth.  
Strengthen your Church, we pray,  
and direct us in your ways;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*



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### **Created to Create**

A visual arts focused retreat for all with Tom Studman and Jo Whittall. £250 per person ~ includes en-suite accommodation, meals and refreshments.

07 Mar 2025, 16:00 – 09 Mar 2025, 14:00

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*On a personal note I've attended one of Jo's workshops and it was a brilliant day so much so when I've seen her around the diocese I've asked when she can do another!*

### **Rooted in rest: he gives sleep to his beloved...**

An Encounter day with Gill Morgan (mainly in silence)  
Wed 09 March 09.30 to 15.30 £27.50

Healthy plants need healthy roots. Roots give stability, they take up the nutrients that are needed for growth, and they seek out hydration for the desert times.

To be healthy as Christians, we need to be rooted—searching out those things that will sustain us for the long haul, going deep into those things that will give us stability. In this month's Encounter Day, Gill will be helping us to reflect on what it means to be rooted in rest.



## Reflecting Faith: The Sacrament of Reconciliation

**"All may, none must, some should."**  
(Summary of an Anglican approach to Confession & Reconciliation)

The practice of the sacrament of reconciliation is far from being scary, obscure or unusual, it is a normal part of Anglican worship, particularly at the Eucharist but also in the traditional Prayer Book services. In our Sunday services this begins with making a call to repentance. The congregation gathered says words of confession together, and the priest pronounces God's forgiveness while making the sign of the cross.

However alongside such corporate confession, there is also the Sacrament of Reconciliation or private confession, which is practised in the Anglican Church, especially in the Anglo-Catholic tradition. Many people observe a discipline of making their confession before major Feasts each year during Lent or Advent, or even more regularly through the year.

### What is the Sacrament of Reconciliation about?

*"The ministry of reconciliation is the ministry by which those who are truly sorry for their sins, and have made free confession of them to God in the presence of the minister, with intention to amend their lives, receive through him the forgiveness of God."*

(The Revised Catechism of the Church of England)

Through confession we acknowledge our sins before God and receive the grace of forgiveness. Even through confessing our everyday faults the sacrament helps us form our

conscience, fight against evil tendencies, and let ourselves be healed by Christ, and progress in the life of the Spirit. Through receiving the gift of the Father's mercy, we're also encouraged to be merciful in our own lives. Acknowledging our faults, and those things which distance us from God is about letting go of those things which prevent us from being who we truly are. It's about becoming fully alive by embracing God's call to us to deepen our relationship with him. So, when we say sorry to God, we self-examine ourselves and honestly assess our life. And through that process, we accept God's invitation for conversion, for inner change. It's also about discovering anew our need of God and rediscovering our share in his life.

Here at St Paul's we ask you to book an appointment time with clergy, so that we can prepare and make sure the church is free and your confession can't be overheard by others. Clergy will pray with you and invite you to talk about what is on your conscience. They will listen and offer encouragement and advice. They may ask you to undertake a 'penance', a short act of devotion which could be saying a prayer or reading a passage of scripture. The priest will pronounce Absolution which declares God's mercy and forgiveness and give you a blessing before you leave. Whilst there is confidentiality within this setting, it must be noted that an exception may occur when the life or well-being of the penitent or another person is in potential danger.

If you'd like more information please get in touch with Vicar Becky.

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# March 2025

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sunday	10.00am 6.00pm	Parish Eucharist Taize Evening Prayer
4 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	9.30am	Babes & Tots
5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	10.00am 12.30 7.30pm	Eucharist Service with Ashing (CW) 'Ashes To Go' in Stanley Square Ash Wednesday Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes
7 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	11.00am 1.30pm	World Day of Prayer Service in Church Community Choir
9 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	10.00am	All Age Worship
<b>Lent 1</b>		6.00pm	Communion Service
11 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	9.30am	Babes & Tots
12 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	10.00am 11am	Communion Service (BCP) Lent Group
13 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday	7.30pm	Stations of the Cross
14 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	1.30pm	Community Choir
16 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	10.00am	Parish Eucharist
<b>Lent 2</b>		6.00pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)
<b>Deadline for the April Parish News</b>			
18 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	9.30am 9-3pm	Babes & Tots Experience Easter
19 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	10.00am 11am	Communion Service (BCP) Lent Group
21 <sup>st</sup>	Friday	11-1pm 1.30pm	Age-UK & Trafford Carers Road-show in church Community Choir
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sunday	10.00am	Parish Eucharist
<b>Lent 3</b>		11.30am	Prayer Walk around Sale (Churches Together Lenten Devotions)
25 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	6.00pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)
26 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	9.30am 10.00am 11.00am	Babes & Tots Communion Service (BCP) Lent Group
27 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday	7.30pm	Stations of the Cross
28 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	1.30pm	Community Choir
<b>Mothering Sunday</b>			
30th	Sunday	10am 6pm	All-Age Family Eucharist Evening Prayer (BCP)



## Next Month—April 2025

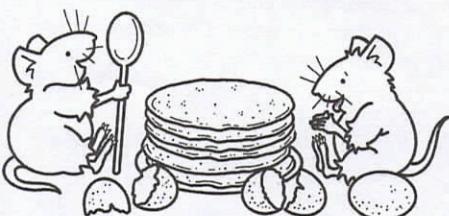
1 <sup>st</sup>	Tuesday	9.30am	Babes & Tots
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wednesday	10.00am	Communion Service (CW)
		11am	Lent Group
4 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	1.30pm	Community Choir
6 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	10.00am	Parish Eucharist
Lent 4		6.00pm	Taize Evening Prayer

*Please check the weekly pew sheets for any service changes that may occur.  
Don't forget—email any articles for the Parish News to the Parish Office email address—*

***officestpaulsale@gmail.com***

## Experience Easter

We are pleased to welcome Springfield School visiting us for Experience Easter on Tuesday March 18<sup>th</sup>. If you can assist with setting up the spaces on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March and/or help with story-telling (scripts are provided) please get in touch with Vicar Becky.



### Electoral Roll Revision 2025

Don't forget this year we are fully revising our church Electoral Roll. If you'd like to rejoin our church membership roll, please make sure you fill in a new form and hand back to our Electoral Roll Officer Mrs Yvonne Stevenson.

The Electoral Roll helps us with contacting you, how much Parish Share we pay and is part of the Vicar's regular prayers, so please do join up.

Annual Parochial Meeting will take on **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May** after morning worship, approximately 11.30am in the Church Hall. All are welcome, however only those on the electoral roll may vote. Archdeacon's Visitation Service will be 7.30pm on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June at St Mary Magdalene, Ashton Upon Mersey

## St. Paul's Parish Directory

Vicar:	Revd. Becky Mathew	217-8795 / 07584604627
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	Revd. Dr Margaret Jones	973-7790
	Revd. Shemil Mathew	217-8795
Churchwardens:	Yvonne Stevenson	*
	Vacant	07946 644214
Pastoral Workers:	Yvonne Kerridge	*
	Karen Salisbury	*
Treasurer to the PCC:	Joe Blaney	962-4066
Secretary to the PCC:	Karen Salisbury	*
Director of Music:	Anne Allen	*
Assistant Organist:	Kevin Drury	01925-763103
Safeguarding Officer	Fiona Vaughan-Thomas	safeguardingstpaulsale@gmail.com
Parish Giving Officer	Brian Kerridge	962-4066
Electoral Roll Officer:	Yvonne Stevenson	*
Parish News Editor:	Karen Salisbury	07946 644214
Eco Church Champion	Vicky Moore	vicky.moore@hotmail.co.uk
Bible Reading Fellowship:	Rachel Lee	*
Men's Society:	Rodney Hadwen	973-1282
Women's Tuesday Group:	Hilary Moore	*
St. Paul's Babes & Tots	Rachel Lee	969-1831
Tower Warden:	Ian Moore	973-1282
Christian Aid:	Anita Evans	0787-670-6834
Children's Society Rep:	Sheila Clarke	973-4679
Wiggle Worship	Laura Jackson	962-4678
Church Hall Bookings:	Contact via the Parish Office	TBC
4 <sup>th</sup> Sale Central (St. Paul's) Rainbows, Brownies & Guides	Vicky Williams	0798-652-5898

**Parish Office (Unmanned)** **962-0082**

**Parish Office e-mail** **officestpaulsale@gmail.com**

*Names above marked with \* are members of the Parochial Church Council.*

*Please note that Vicar Becky is part-time so might not reply or respond immediately to your calls and emails. Please leave an answerphone message.*

### Parish Organisations affiliated to St Paul's

*The following groups meet in St Paul's Church Hall unless otherwise stated.*

Tuesday	9.30am-11am	St. Paul's Babes & Tots (school term time)
	1.15pm	Tuesday Group (2 <sup>nd</sup> of every month)
	6.15pm	4 <sup>th</sup> Sale Central (St. Paul's) Brownies
	7.30pm	4 <sup>th</sup> Sale Central (St. Paul's) Guides
Thursday		Men's Society
Friday	1.30pm-2.30pm	Community Choir (school term time)