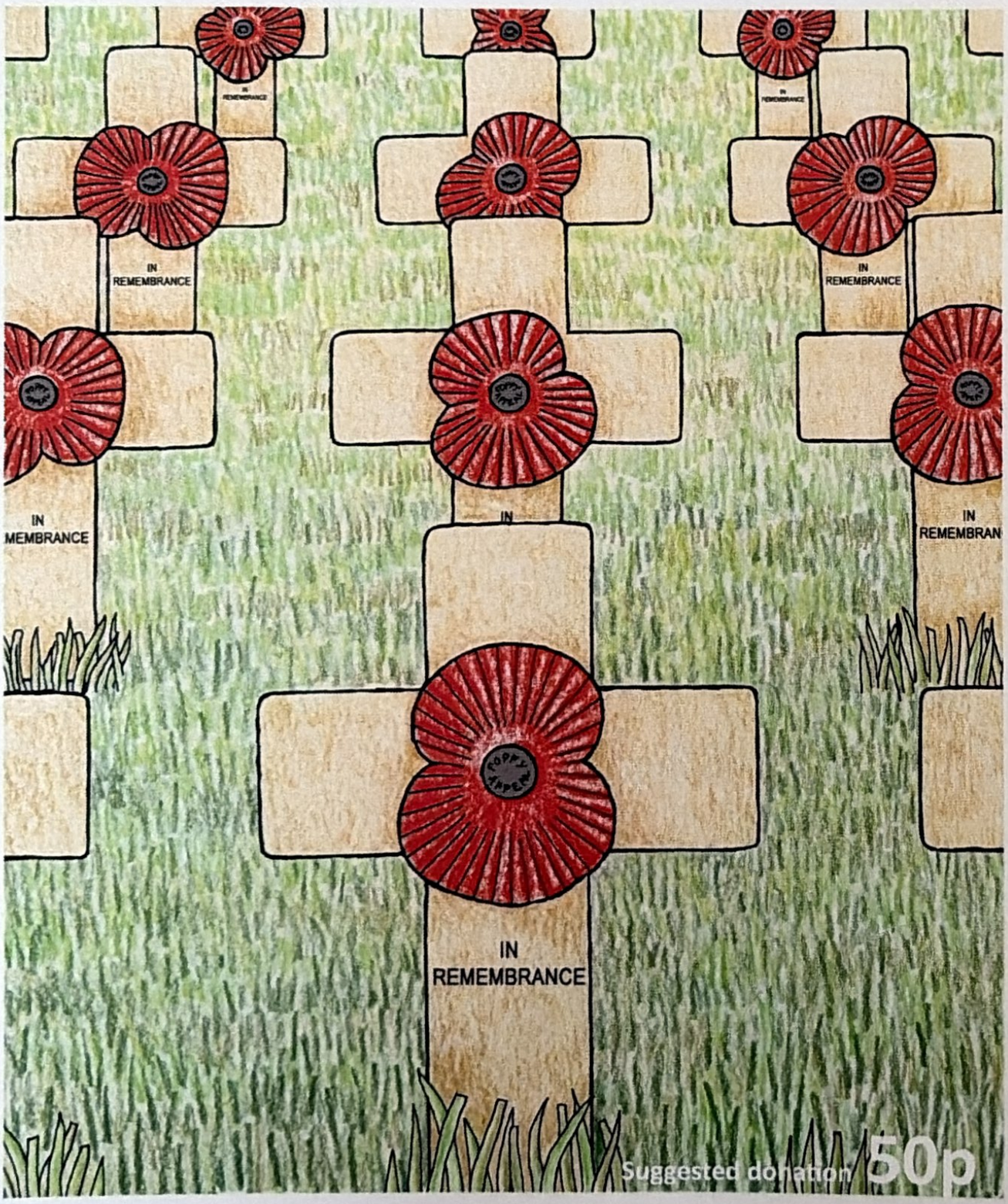
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November 2026





From the Vicar.....

Dear Friends,

'Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.' 1 Peter 5:7

November is an important month for remembering in the life of our church. We gather to remember with thanksgiving those who have died in the past year and had a connection with the parish on Sunday 1st November for our 'In Loving Memory' service at 4pm.

On Sunday 8th November at our morning service at 10am we hold a short service before we go up to the War Memorial at Sale Town Hall, to remember those who lost their lives in the World Wars and in conflicts since. It seems like a very poignant thing to do as we read of intense fighting in conflict zones in the Middle East and in Ukraine and Russia and other parts of our world. So many lives are being lost and no matter who we feel we identify with ideologically, we cannot dispute the fact that heartbreak is felt and experienced the same on all sides as so many lives are needlessly lost. Very often silence and reflection are the most appropriate responses and there is a strength to be gained from gathering together to remember.

Some people will take part in acts of remembrance in their parish church, others will go to cenotaphs and war memorials up and down the land or watch the Festival of Remembrance on the television. For me the important thing is to stop for a few moments to reflect on all that is going on, on all that people have done in the past to secure our freedom and to commit ourselves to doing all in our power to build a more peaceful future.

Very often it starts with the small things and seeking to be an influence for good in the areas where we have a presence and an opportunity. It might be in our families, in our schools and workplaces, in our neighbourhoods and churches. Wherever we build connections and relationships, are we seeking to be peace builders and hope bringers to a world that is in desperate need? These are important questions for all of us to reflect upon at this time.

We also begin to prepare during this month for the season of Advent, a season which invites us to prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus. Maybe you have an Advent calendar or candle to help with the counting down of days or you've decided to pick up an Advent book to read through during your daily devotions.

I've got a copy of the recommended book by the Archbishop of York, 'Walking with Angels' by Eleanor Sanderson which I'm looking forward to reading. We have a small borrowing library at the back of St Paul's - you might like to take a look through. You can keep hold of the book as long as you want, you won't get fined. It's good to try and be purposeful about how we learn more about our journeying with Jesus and listening to other voices through the pages of a book, an audio app or meeting with others helps us to grow in faith. Please do get in touch if you require any further information about Advent resources,

Yours in faith,

Vicar Becky

Road Closures—reminder

Remembrance Sunday the roads from St Paul's (Sibson and Springfield) up to and around the Town Hall will be closed for the Civic Act of Remembrance. You will be still able to access the church car-park for the parking, however please do be aware that you may not be able to leave immediately after the morning service.



Saturday 7th November - Litter Pick!

Lisa will be leading a short morning litter pick in the church grounds and along the canal-side near church. Helpers are welcome - we meet at 0930 at the church entrance. Please dress appropriately (sturdy shoes or trainers and not your best outfit! If you have a reflective jacket and a litter picker even better. Over 14s only please, we aim to wind up by 11am. The aim is just to clear obvious litter. If you are interested please let Lisa know.

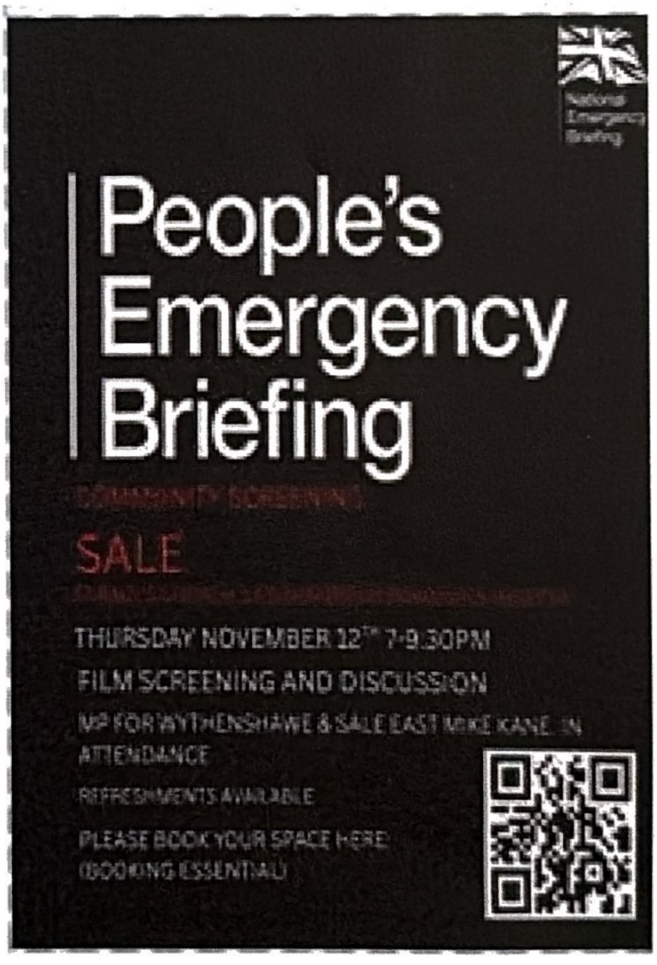
Tuesday Group

Our September meeting was a bit of a DIY affair as Margaret was not well enough to be our speaker. We pray she will soon be fully recovered. As a result, we started with a book exchange which was followed by a quiz which Paula had prepared, which she described as easy!! We did have delicious cake afterwards.

Our meeting on 11th November will be about making a Christmas decoration but at the EARLIER TIME of 12.45pm. This is to accommodate the times the new playgroup require the church hall. Please bring a pair of scissors.

I hope to see you all there as it's time to sort out menu choices for our Christmas lunch on 15th December.

Diana

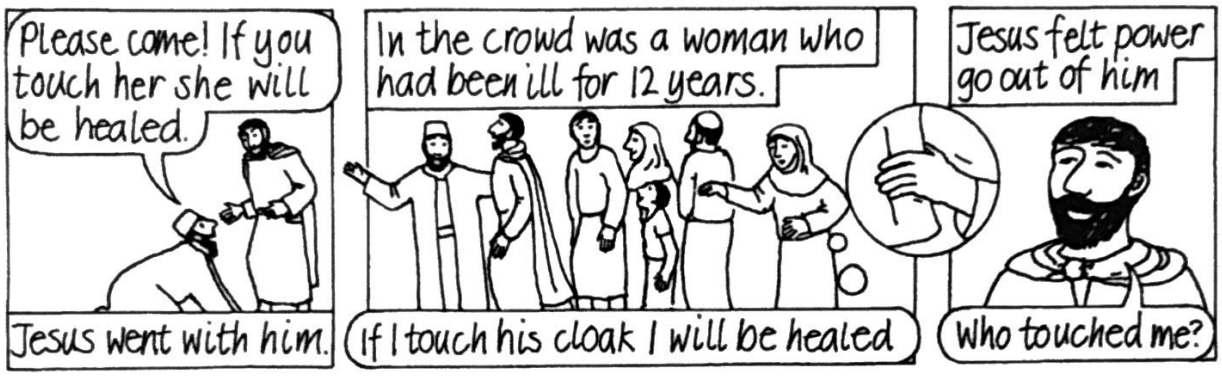


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A short story from the Bible

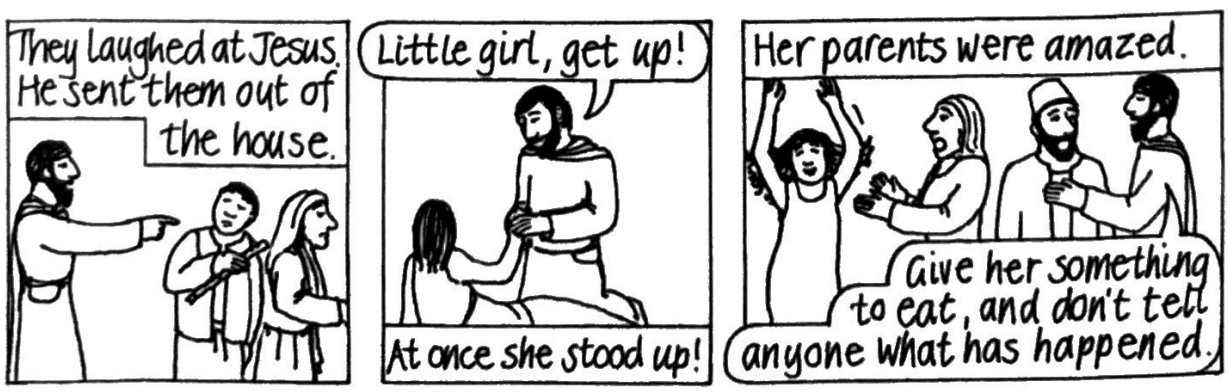
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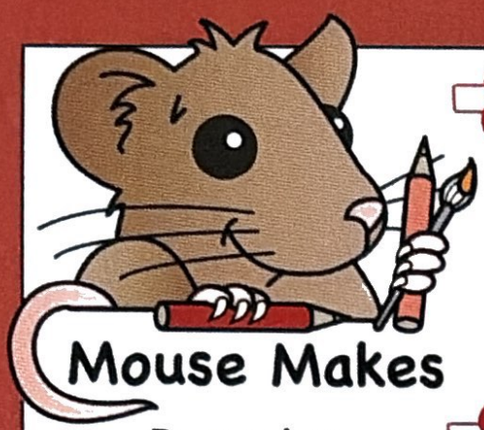
Jairus, a town leader, had a 12 year old daughter who was ill and about to die. He came to Jesus and knelt at his feet...











Mouse Makes

Remember
the words Jesus said:
"It is more blessed to give than to receive."
Colossians 3:25

Remembrance Sunday is the day we remember the sacrifice of those who gave their lives so that we could live in peace, it mirrors what Christ did for us when he gave his life so that we could live in peace with God.

Jesus said:
"No one can have greater love than to give his life for his friends."
John 15:13

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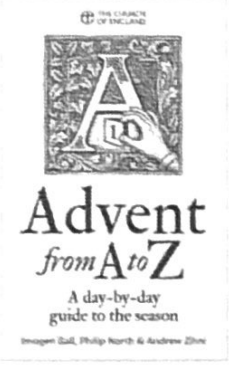
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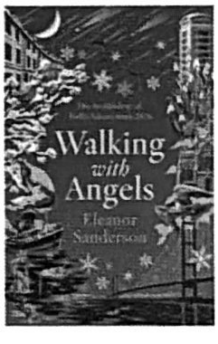
Advent Books 2026



Treasures in Straw by Tanya Marlow (BRF)
In this different take on an Advent devotional Tanya Marlow explores the themes of loss as well as those of blessing. She gently and pastorally acknowledges that Christmas is not a time of joy and happiness for everyone and actually can bring up painful memories or the loss and heartache of missing loved ones.
Each devotion has a set of questions to reflect on further and a prayer to end.



Advent from A to Z by Imogen Ball, Philip North, and Andrew Zihni (Church House Publishing)
Imogen Ball, Philip North, and Andrew Zihni offer twenty-four daily reflections—each built around a letter of the alphabet—exploring the people, places, traditions, and symbols of Advent through Bible readings, prayers, illustrations, and discussion questions.
Whether readers are new to Advent or long familiar with it, the book helps them prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus at Christmas. The 2026 Advent Resource for The Church of England.

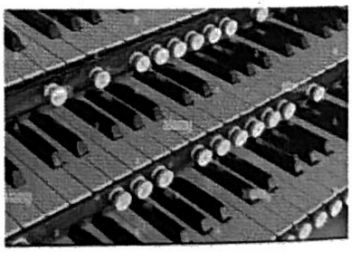


Walking with Angels by Eleanor Sanderson, The Archbishop of York's Advent Book for 2026 (SPCK)
Written by Bishop Eleanor Sanderson, this Advent devotional is designed to help you slow down in this busy season as you journey through the various messages from angels throughout Scripture.
Each of the 4 weeks of Advent focus on different aspects of the messages and include journaling prompts and questions that make it an ideal option for your small group Advent Bible study.

25th Anniversary



November 2026 marks 25 years since I started to play the organ at St Paul's Church, so please join us for a celebratory piece of cake after the morning Eucharist on Advent Sunday (29th November) as we begin the Season of Light, and to give thanks for all the people who have supported and helped me reach this particular milestone.
Anne




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Christmas Services 2026





Sun 13th Dec 10am All-Age Worship
Please bring an unwrapped toy donation
and wear you best Christmas Jumper



Sun 20th Dec 6pm Carols by Candlelight
A traditional service of readings, poems & carols
followed by seasonal refreshments in the Hall.





Christmas Eve 5.30pm Christingle
Raising monies for The Children's Society.
Come dressed up as a nativity character-
shepherds, angels, Mary & Joseph,
and a wee little donkey all welcome



11.30pm Midnight Holy Communion



Christmas Day 10am Family Communion



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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).

Where?
Sunday school: St. Paul's church hall (meet in church in the children's area).
All-Age Worship: in church.



No Wiggle Worship	September	October	November	December
1st Sunday	Sunday school	Sunday school	School holidays	Sunday school
2nd Sunday	All-Age Wiggle Worship	All-Age Wiggle Worship	Remembrance Sunday	All-Age Wiggle Worship
3rd Sunday	Sunday school	Sunday school	Sunday school	School holidays
4th Sunday	Sunday school	School holidays	Sunday school	School holidays
5th Sunday			Sunday school	

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

Christmas Tree Festival Friday 4th, Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th December

The countdown is on and we need Christmas Trees and volunteers! Could you help with stewarding- this may involve assisting families coming to see Father Christmas, showing people around the church building, giving out safety instructions and serving refreshments. Please sign up as soon as possible for a time slot.

We need a hand with publicising and promoting events - if you have access to a staff room noticeboard/WhatsApp groups/social media, could you help get the word out?

Posters and flyers are available at the back of church and digital publicity on request.

Christingle 2026



Due to unforeseen circumstances this year's Christingle will be held at the slightly later time of **5.30pm on Christmas Eve**. We need your help once again to make this service happen as it is our biggest congregation of the year. To keep everyone safe, we need a team of welcomers and helpers who can assist with giving out safety notices, helping make and distribute Christingles and spreading the Christmas cheer as we host a large number of families for whom is this is their annual church visit. Please talk to Vicar Becky and Joyce if you can offer your help.

Walsingham Pilgrimage 2027

Fr Steve at Timperley parish invites pilgrims from local churches to join in a trip to 'England's Nazareth' from **Monday 27th September to Friday 1st October 2027.**

It is a time of spiritual refreshment, making and deepening friendships but above all fun and laughter. There is a balance to the schedule, including trips out to the seaside. Everything is optional and you can take it at your own pace. The cost is approximately £500 to include full return coach travel, trips out and Half Board hotel accommodation. The Shrine is situated in the centre of Walsingham and there is a miniature railway, numerous coffee shops and religious shops and is in beautiful North Norfolk.

A £60 non-refundable deposit is required by Monday 16th November by cheque or BACS. Please email: fathersteve1972@gmail.com with your name and parish when you have made a BACS payment or phone 07749 663303 to talk to Fr Steve.

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November 2026

1st November	Sunday	10.00am	Parish Eucharist
		International Day of prayer for the persecuted church	
		4.00pm	All Souls' Memorial Service
3rd November	Tuesday	9.30am	Babes & Tots
4th November	Wednesday	10.00am	Midweek Communion (CW)
7th November	Saturday	9.30am	Litter Pick—meet at the church entrance
8th November	Sunday	10.00am	Short Act of Remembrance
Remembrance Sunday		10.40am	Procession to the Cenotaph for the Civic Act of Remembrance at 11am
10th November	Tuesday	9.30am	Babes & Tots
11th November	Wednesday	10.00am	Midweek Communion (BCP)
		7.00pm	PCC Meeting in the Committee Room
12th November	Thursday	7.00pm	Peoples Emergency Briefing Film & Discussion in the church
15th November	Sunday	10.00am	Parish Eucharist
		Deadline for the December Parish News	
17th November	Tuesday	9.30am	Babes & Tots
18th November	Wednesday	10.00am	Midweek Communion (BCP)
22nd November	Sunday	10.00am	Parish Eucharist for Christ the King
24th November	Tuesday	9.30am	Babes & Tots
25th November	Wednesday	10.00am	Midweek Communion (BCP)
29th November	Sunday	10.00am	Parish Eucharist
Advent 1			

Next Month—December 2026

1st December	Tuesday	9.30am	Babes & Tots
2nd December	Wednesday	10.00am	Midweek Communion (CW)
4th December	Friday	2-6pm	Christmas Tree Festival
5th December	Saturday	10am-5pm	Christmas Tree Festival
6th December	Sunday	10.00am	Parish Eucharist
Advent 2		12noon-4pm	Christmas Tree Festival

***Key-Holders**—could you assist with opening and closing church up for visitors? Please have a chat with Becky and Craig if you can assist.*

If you are wanting to access pastoral care,

please do approach individuals - clergy and pastoral workers can let you know their availability.

If you would like prayers for a particular situation, again please do get in touch with us. We will ask for your consent to share your prayer request with others, if we feel it's appropriate to do so. You may like to write your prayer on a card and leave it on the prayer board.

If you are going into hospital as an inpatient, you may want to access the chaplaincy and spiritual care service, this can be done via a referral process, just speak to your medical team/nurse to request a spiritual care referral. Hospital chaplains are available to offer sacramental rites like bedside communion and can also offer emotional support during your stay.

If you are a church member who is currently housebound and unable to attend church services please do give clergy/pastoral workers a call. We are happy to arrange for you to receive communion at home, you just need to give your consent in order for us to be able to facilitate this.

PCC Members—please note the earlier meeting time of 7pm in order for us to complete our final CPAS Training Session
Many thanks

The free phone-line Daily Hope continues to be a source of inspiration for many who cannot get to church:

0800 804 8044
DailyHOPE
A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers



Ho, Ho, Ho!



Our special visitor—Father Christmas will be joining the Christmas Tree Festival again this year! Pre-booked tickets only—please watch this space for more information.



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—

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*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.*
Notices for the weekly pew-sheet please contact Revd Becky

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)
	12.45pm	Tuesday Group (2nd of every month)
	6.15pm	4th Sale Central (St. Paul's) Brownies
	7.30pm	4th Sale Central (St. Paul's) Guides
Friday	5.30pm	2nd Sale Central Rainbows