

Sunday 1st June 2025

Seventh Sunday of Easter

St. Paul's
Church
Rusthall



Collect for the Week

Risen, ascended Lord,
as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your Church on earth with power and compassion,
that all who are estranged by sin
may find forgiveness and know your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.

8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

President & Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Joint Eucharist - with Commissioning of the PCC (CW)

President : The Vicar, Preacher: Rev. Nicholas Burton

Please see separate booklet

6.30 pm Choral Evensong (BCP)

Minister: The Vicar

Introit:	Jesu, the very thought of thee
Responses:	Radcliffe
Hymn:	NEH 34 9 Come, let us join our cheerful songs
Psalm:	8 (BCP page 353)
1st Reading:	Isaiah 44.1-8 (NRSV page 700) Roland Millar
Magnificat:	Noble in B minor
2 nd Reading:	Ephesians 4.7-16 (NRSV page 207) Caroline Johnson
Nunc Dimittis:	Noble in B minor
Anthem:	How lovely are thy dwellings - Brahms
Hymn:	NEH 486 We have a gospel to proclaim
Amen:	Rutter

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 2nd June

- 10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
- 4.00 pm Rainbows at the Parish Church
- 6.30 pm Worship Committee at the Church Centre

TUESDAY 3rd *The Martyrs of Uganda 1885-7, 1977*

Parish Office closed

- 2.00 pm Funeral of Dieter Teubler at the Parish Church with the Choir
- 7.30 pm 175 Committee meeting at the Church Centre

WEDNESDAY 4th *Petroc, Abbott, 6th Century*

- 8.30 am Community Payback team at the NCY
- 9.00 am Morning Prayer at the Church Centre – The Vicar**
- 9.00 am Playtime at St Paul's
- 10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
- 11.00 am Julian Group at 30 Chancellor House

THURSDAY 5th *Boniface (Wynfrith) of Crediton, Bishop, Apostle of Germany, Martyr, 745*

- 9.00 am Flower Team preparations for the festival at the Parish Church
- 10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
- 11.30 am Holy Communion at the Church Centre – The Vicar**
- 11.30 am Communion to Mount Ephraim House -John Bazley
- 12.30 pm Lunch Club at the Church Centre
- 6.00 pm Youth Council in the Lodge
- 7.30 pm Living in Hope - Parish Church

FRIDAY 6th *Ini Copuria, Founder of the Melanesian Brotherhood, 1945*

- 9.00 am Flower Team preparations for the festival at the Parish Church
- 10.00 am Church at the Church Centre open for private prayer
- 12.30 pm Community Larder at the Church Centre
- 6.30 pm Junior Choir practice
- 7.30 pm Full Choir practice

SATURDAY 7th

- 10.00 am Parish Church open for Flower Festival
- 10am-4pm Choristers Café in the Lodge



Altar Flowers at the Parish Church

The altar flowers are given today
by Ginette, Mick & Daniele
In loving memory of
Roger and Maureen and Pat and Mick
Much missed parents & grandparents

NEXT SUNDAY 8th June - PENTECOST

8.00 am Holy Communion

President & Preacher: The Vicar

10.00 am Jazz Eucharist

President & Preacher: The Vicar, Minister: Tim Harrold

10.00 am Family Service at the Church Centre + Zoom

Lead: Wendy Anderson, Link: Viv Littlechild

12 noon Parish Church open for Flower Festival

Please see details for the festival in News & Notes

10am-4pm Choristers Café in the Lodge

6.30 pm Evensong (BCP)

Minister: Tim Harrold

NEWS AND NOTES

From The Vicarage

Greetings to you all and a very warm welcome to our services today, the Sunday after the Ascension of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Special welcome to our joint 10 am service during which we commission members of the PCC, following our APCM last week.

As we worship together and pray for one another, I pray that Almighty God will continue to equip us for the mission to which he has called us and for the ministry that has been entrusted to us. *Ronnie*

St Paul's Youth Council

Our June meeting is this coming Thursday, 6 pm in The Lodge.

We will be welcoming John Barber who is going to explain what is happening re the campaign for a speed reduction and subsequent crossing on the A264.

We also have to make the final decision on our honey labels and jars as we should be harvesting in July or August. There is lots to talk about.

See you there and do bring friends. Children in Year 6 can now join.

Angela Culley

Flower & Wedding Dress Festival

The flower team and friends are now in the final stages of preparation for the festival next weekend. It will be open on Saturday 7th from 10 am to 5 pm, Sunday 8th from 12 noon to 5 pm and then throughout the week (including Saturday 14th) from 11 am to 4 pm. We will also have the Jazz Eucharist on Sunday morning (8th) at 10 am followed by BBQ, teddy bear parachute drop, cream teas and Pimms. It promises to be a very special event so do please come along and show your support and enjoy the displays. A huge thank you to all who are working so hard to bring things together.

Julian Group

Our next meeting is this coming Wednesday, 4th June, at 11 am at 30 Chancellor House. Anyone interested in a time of fellowship, including a period of quiet reflection is very welcome.

The Choir

We are now recruiting boys and girls aged 6 and over to our Junior Section, as we continue to grow and maintain our high musical standards. Please speak to Fiona for more information. There are posters in both Churches.

Molyneux Almshouses

The Molyneux Almshouses in the High Street, Rusthall, is a charitable trust providing housing accommodation for "poor men and women". There is currently a one bedroom bungalow vacant and if you are (or you know anyone who might be) interested in living at the Almshouses please contact the Administrator, Nick, on 07504 839 548 for more information.

Applicants must be current or past long-term residents of Tunbridge Wells. The Trustees are hoping to fill the vacancy by the middle of June 2025. Any applications must be received by 31st May 2025.

Stationery for Sierra Leone

We are hoping to send small stationary kits to Freetown (Ronnie's home town) for 250 primary school children. If you would like to make a cash donation towards this please see Ginette or Ronnie. We hope to ship this over in July. Thank you in advance.

Living Hope Group

The Living Hope group will be meeting on the first Thursday of every month at the Parish Church at 7.30 pm starting from the 5th June 2025. We are a welcoming group and anyone is free to join us. Over the next few months we will be reflecting on the Nicene Creed but topics will change over time. If anyone is interested in a Living Hope group to meet once a month during the day in the village please see Tim Harrold.

London Pilgrimage – Monday 23rd June

There is still time to sign up for this, sheets are in both Churches.

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