

WELCOME to the Benefice of Sarratt and Chipperfield
Holy Cross Church, Sarratt, & St Paul's Church, Chipperfield
Everyone is welcome to attend any of the services in our churches
Benefice Office: 01923 264377

YOU CAN FIND US ON 'A CHURCH NEAR YOU' achurchnearyou.com

Sunday 25 May – 5th Sunday after Easter Day

9am	Morning Worship – St Paul's
10.45am	Benefice Eucharist – Holy Cross

Thursday 29 May – ASCENSION DAY

7.30pm	United Deanery Ascension Day Service – St Paul's Followed by refreshments
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Sunday 1 June – Sunday after Ascension Day

9am	Morning Worship – Holy Cross
10.45am	Benefice Eucharist – St Paul's

Sunday 8 June – PENTECOST - Whit Sunday

9am	Morning Worship – St Paul's
10.45am	Benefice Eucharist – Holy Cross followed by grand raffle draw

Sunday 15 June – TRINITY SUNDAY

9am	Morning Worship – Holy Cross
10.45am	Gathering at 10.30am for pastries and drinks before the service. All Together Benefice Eucharist - St Paul's
6.30pm	Compline (Traditional Night Prayer) - Holy Cross

Sunday 22 June – 1st Sunday after Trinity

9am	Morning Worship – St Paul's
10.45am	Benefice Eucharist – Holy Cross

What did Jesus do after the Resurrection?

We are running 3 sessions focusing on the time between Easter Sunday and Pentecost. We'll be looking at who Jesus spoke to, what happened on Ascension Day and Pentecost.

Come and join us for a time together to explore these amazing events, looking at what it meant to people and what it means to us today.

When:

Tuesday 20 May & Tuesday 27 May

7pm - 8:30pm

St Paul's Church Parish room.

and

Tuesday 3 June

7pm - 8:30pm

St Paul's Church.



To sign up there is a sheet at the back of both churches

or contact Yvonne, Tel: 07542787353 email: yvonne.collette@sky.com

Deanery of Rickmansworth

Ascension Day service

Thursday 29th May at 7.30pm

St Paul's Church, Chipperfield WD4 9BS

followed by refreshments

Risen, ascended, glorified!



Our bible readings for the 5th Sunday after Easter Day
25 May

Acts 16: 9 – 15

⁹ During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' ¹⁰ After Paul had seen the vision, we got ready at once to leave for Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

¹¹ From Troas we put out to sea and sailed straight for Samothrace, and the next day we went on to Neapolis. ¹² From there we travelled to Philippi, a Roman colony and the leading city of that district of Macedonia. And we stayed there several days.

¹³ On the Sabbath we went outside the city gate to the river, where we expected to find a place of prayer. We sat down and began to speak to the women who had gathered there. ¹⁴ One of those listening was a woman from the city of Thyatira named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth. She was a worshipper of God. The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul's message. ¹⁵ When she and the members of her household were baptised, she invited us to her home. 'If you consider me a believer in the Lord,' she said, 'come and stay at my house.' And she persuaded us.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

and

**The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
John chapter 14: 23 - 29**

Glory to you, O Lord

²³ Jesus replied, ‘Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴ Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.

²⁵ ‘All this I have spoken while still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

²⁸ ‘You heard me say, “I am going away and I am coming back to you.” If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe.

**This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you O Christ**

Our bible readings for the Sunday after Ascension Day
1 June

Acts 16 verses 16 - 34

¹⁶ Once when we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a female slave who had a spirit by which she predicted the future. She earned a great deal of money for her owners by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ She followed Paul and the rest of us, shouting, 'These men are servants of the Most High God, who are telling you the way to be saved.' ¹⁸ She kept this up for many days. Finally Paul became so annoyed that he turned round and said to the spirit, 'In the name of Jesus Christ I command you to come out of her!' At that moment the spirit left her.

¹⁹ When her owners realised that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place to face the authorities. ²⁰ They brought them before the magistrates and said, 'These men are Jews, and are throwing our city into an uproar ²¹ by advocating customs unlawful for us Romans to accept or practise.'

²² The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten with rods. ²³ After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. ²⁴ When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶ Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose. ²⁷ The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul shouted, 'Don't harm yourself! We are all here!'

²⁹ The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ He then brought them out and asked, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?'

³¹ They replied, 'Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved – you and your household.' ³² Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. ³³ At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his household were baptised. ³⁴ The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God – he and his whole household.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

and

**The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
John, chapter 17 verses 20 to the end**

Glory to you, O Lord

²⁰ ‘My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, ²¹ that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one – ²³ I in them and you in me – so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

²⁴ ‘Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world.

²⁵ ‘Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them.’

**This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you O Christ**

THANK YOU...

I want to say a huge thank you to everybody who so generously donated to my parting gifts on my retirement as church warden: I am completely overwhelmed by your generosity! I am extremely grateful for the support of churchwardens and incumbents I have served with over the years and I look forward to continuing to serve the Benefice as a licensed lay Reader. My sincere thanks, once again to you all.

Philip Waine

BENEFICE OFFICE CLOSED

The office will close on Wednesday 21 May at 2pm and reopen on Tuesday 3 June at 9.15am.

BENEFICE GRAND RAFFLE

Tickets are now on sale for our Benefice Grand Draw. All proceeds will be split 50/50 between Holy Cross and St Paul's. Our 1st prize is a £150 gift card <https://www.one4all.com/> which can be spent at a large selection of places. If you would like tickets for yourself, or are happy to sell more to family and friends, please contact Sonya at holycrossstpauls@outlook.com or 07855487342. Thanks for your support. You can also buy tickets in person from Revd Sarah, Ann Waine, Sue Walker, Colin Plummer, Judy Olney, Sue Clark, Linda and Nikki Clough, Caroline Hargrove and Adele Mynard.

**27TH -
29TH JUNE**

SARRATT FLOWER FESTIVAL



FRIDAY 3.30PM
FESTIVAL OPENS
SARRATT SCHOOL CHOIR
SINGS FOR YOU

Flower preview, tea & cakes

3.30PM - 5.30PM
Children's activities & ice creams

JAZZ FESTIVAL

4.45PM
BBQ, pizzas & bar

6.30PM
*Free live open air JAZZ,
SWING & BLUES from Lou's Sextet*

SATURDAY

10.00AM - 5.00PM

*Flower arrangements in the church
Produce, plant & bric-a-brac stalls*

SUNDAY

9.30AM

Festival Church Service

10.30AM - 2.30PM

*Market & craft stalls
Festival closes 4.00pm*

*Throughout the weekend we're serving
coffee, tea, cakes, BBQ, bar and free live
music from Blue & Green and
Jolly Jazzers.*

**Look out for JENKS vintage bus
rides from the Green**

HOLY CROSS CHURCH, SARRATT, WD3 6HE

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JAF Property Services, Adams Nurseries,
KIA, Robsons, Biggerstaffs Garage, VDBM,
Motorvation & Chapman's Native Beef*

All proceeds go to FOHC charity. Charity number 1018991



Sarratt WI Coffee Morning

**Join us for Drinks, Cakes, Plants, Crafts
and more**

Saturday the 7th of June

Sarratt Village Hall

From 10am – 12.30

Come and enjoy a relaxing coffee morning

**Tombola, Plant Stall, Bric a Brac, Discovery
Book stall and much more**

**Thinking about joining our vibrant group that
meet on the second Wednesday of the month
at 2.15?**

Come and learn more



SARRATT CARE

JUNE UPDATE

‘SARRATT COMMUNITY LUNCH’

In the Village Hall on **Monday the 16th June at 12.30**
For contact please ring Jacky Creed – details below

‘COFFEE CORNER’ and TREATMENTS

(treatments include hairdressing, massage and chiropody)

In the Village Hall **from 10.30 to 12 noon**
on **Wednesdays the 11th and 25th June**

For details please ring Jennifer Haynes on 590542 or
07743 133736

TRANSPORT TO APPOINTMENTS

To arrange for a volunteer driver
please ring 07565 399349

ANY OTHER ENQUIRIES or PROBLEMS

Please ring Jacky Creed on 519975 or 07769 045270
If no reply please feel happy to leave a message

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St Paul's Director of Music:
Position vacant

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Position vacant

St Paul's Hall Bookings: 01923 263182