We have provided card games(Uno is a favourite) and colouring books and pens, note books.

It is a small start as we meet only a very small percentage of the school.

However we believe God has called us to do this, and trust that from small beginnings or actions, larger things can grow, as in the parable of the mustard seed.

We recently had the great encouragement of meeting the new head teacher, who asked us to meet with him for prayer for the school, and we hope this will be a regular occurrence.

If you are interested in joining us to train ,or to become a prayer partner, please contact Jane Baines, jmbtv60@gmail.com, or 07941820976

## Cleaning St Paul's

The team meets on the last Saturday of the month, refreshments provided, please bring marigolds and dusters and hand held hoovers if available.

This month we will be meeting on Saturday 26th. For more details please speak to Julia Slack.

# Online Banking

Our bank details for direct donations are:

St Paul's	20-72-67	506 706 93
St Michael's	20-72-67	607 141 43
Ashworth St James	07-92-99	673 196 53

You may need to add 'Parochial Church Council' or 'PCC' after the church name

## No Cash with you?

All our churches are registered Charities and need your support. We now accept contactless giving.

Please use the donation point at the back of church or scan one of the QR codes to go directly to our online giving pages. Please ask if you need help. Thank you.



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St Paul's Andrew: 07465 970020

lan: 07734 259460

St Michael's Frances: 01706 659 603

St James

Please take this pew sheet home with you and recycle it in due course

Thank you



# The Benefice of St Paul's Norden, St James Ashworth & St Michael's Bamford

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Services in July				
Wednesdays	10:30am	St Michael's Holy Communion		
Sunday 6th	10am 10am	St Paul's Holy Communion St Michael's Morning Praise St Michael's Baptism		
	1pm			
	3pm	St James' Holy Communion		
	6.30pm	St Paul's Evensong		
Sunday 13th	10am	St Paul's Morning Praise		
	10am	St Michael's Holy Communion		
	3pm	St James' Evensong		
	7.30pm	St Michael's Breathe		
Sunday 20th	10am	St Paul's		
	10am	Holy Communion St Michael's Morning Praise		
	1pm	St Paul's Baptism		
	3pm	St James' Holy Communion		

Sunday 27th 10am St Paul's

Morning Praise

10am St Michael's

Holy Communion

3pm St James'

Evensong

### Readings for July

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Wednesday	2	Matthew 8.28-34
Sunday	6	Galatians 6.[1-6] 7-16
Sunday	6	Luke 10.1-11, 16-20
Wednesday	9	Matthew 10.1-7
Sunday	13	Colossians 1.1-14
Sunday	13	Luke 10.25-37
Wednesday	16	Matthew 11.25-27
Sunday	20	Colossians 1.15-28
Sunday	20	Luke 10.38-end
Wednesday	23	Matthew 13.1-9
Sunday	27	Colossians 2.6-15 [16-19]
Sunday	27	Luke 11.1-13
Wednesday	30	Matthew 13.44-46

#### Tea & Cakes

Tea and Cakes is in St Paul's Parish Hall at 2pm on Thursday 3rd July. Then on the second Thursday, 10th July we will have Hymns and Prayer, also in the parish hall.

Everyone is very welcome to join us at these events. Transport can be arranged if required. Speak to Jenny Short (St Paul's) or Sue Palmer (St Michael's) for details.

#### Rotas!

Our churches are populated with many many good people who give up their time in so many ways to ensure we have warm, comfortable, tidy buildings in which to worship and meet. Many people help on rotas which support our worship and fellowship. We Need You!! Our rotas are getting a little thin, could you help by welcoming, brewing a cuppa, taking the register for the children, joining the choir, readings or intercessing, or even have a go at leading a Morning Praise service? How might you help your church to be a lively place of worship and fellowship?

## Confirmation

Did you know... That in order to regularly receive Holy Communion you should be baptised and confirmed? This autumn we are running another course leading toward confirmation for those who want to take a step forward in their walk with Jesus. If you have not been baptised or confirmed, have a think and a chat with Jason or Kirsten about the next steps in your faith journey.

## 2nd Sunday Choir - St Paul's

Are you interested in joining a new choir which would sing once a month on the 2nd Sunday?

Using our existing hymn book we will be choosing different hymns to complement those sung on the other Sundays. If you're interested please contact Jason or Ian Short.

# Young People's Choir - St Michael's

We are looking to start a Young People's Choir. We need young people and a choir leader! If you are interested in supporting a new choir which would sing once a month please get in touch with Jason or Kirsten.

## Important: Parish Hall Booking

The arrangements for booking St Paul's Parish Hall have changed. We now have a dedicated phone for all Hall bookings and enquiries: **07312 082412** Please only use this new number.

## Website changes

Our main benefice website www.

rochdalenorthwest.org now points to our new site, hosted by the main Church of England web platform, A Church Near You. There you will find links to each of the churches.

Or simply go to www.achurchnearyou.com and type in your postcode.

#### School Pastors

School Pastors is a national and international group of Christian volunteers who go into schools, or patrol outside schools, in order to show in practical ways, the love of God.

For example, they might make sure( just by being there) that young people are not targeted by gangs, or drug dealers outside school, or they might patrol the local shops just after school, to make sure the young people are not making a nuisance of themselves.

Some groups work more inside schools to support the young people and staff.

School Pastors in Rochdale is very new, having started last year, headed by two Rochdale Street Pastors (Street and School Pastors are part of the same organisation).

We are currently working in St Cuthberts RC school, and go every Thursday lunchtime to meet the young people, chat and play games.

The School has a special covered area in the playground called 'The Dome' where kids can go at lunchtime .It acts as a haven for certain kids who need a quieter, safer space than the raucous playground .

This is where we currently go to meet the young people.