

WELCOME to the Benefice of Sarratt and Chipperfield

Holy Cross Church, Sarratt, & St Paul's Church, Chipperfield - Benefice Office: 01923

264377 -Everyone is welcome to attend any of the services in our churches

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

Sunday 14 December – 3rd Sunday of Advent

9am	Morning Worship – St Paul's
10.45am	Benefice Eucharist – Holy Cross
6.30pm	Advent Lessons and Carols – St Paul's

Tuesday 16 December

7pm	Sarratt Prayer Group – Holy Cross
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Sunday 21 December – 4th Sunday of Advent

N.B. No 9am service this morning	
10.45am	All Together Benefice Eucharist - St Paul's Gathering at 10.30am for pastries and drinks before the service
4pm	Christingle – St Paul's
6.30pm	Advent Lessons and Carols – Holy Cross followed by refreshments at The Cock Inn

Wednesday 24 December – CHRISTMAS EVE

2pm	Crib Service – St Paul's
4pm	Crib Service – Holy Cross
11.30pm	Midnight Mass (1 st Communion of Christmas) – St Paul's

Thursday 25 December – CHRISTMAS DAY

9.30am NB time	Family Eucharist for Christmas Day – Holy Cross
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10.45am	Family Eucharist for Christmas Day – St Paul's
Sunday 28 December – 1st Sunday of Christmas	
9am	Morning Worship – St Paul's
10.45am	Benefice Eucharist – Holy Cross

GIFTMAS TREE ITEMS

All gifts for our 'Giftmas Tree' collection need to be in before the church closes on Monday please. As they'll be collected Tuesday for delivery. Thanks for your kindness and supporting this Revd Sarah.

BENEFICE OFFICE

The office will close on Friday 19 December at 1.30pm and reopen on Monday 5 January 2026 at 9.15am.

THANK YOU...

A BIG thank you to all those who have supported the first part of setting up St Paul's Church for Christmas....whether it was putting up the garlands ,decorating the tree or making the refreshments you were ALL greatly appreciated. Many thanks Ian Chantrell.

DENS

Thank you to everyone who bought the Christmas cards. £284 was raised for DENS. A huge thank you from their users. Much appreciated. Sue Walker

DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOUR NEAREST DEFIBRILLATOR IS WHEN ATTENDING CHURCH?

Holy Cross have a defib attached to the outside toilet wall and can be accessed using code C159X. Please make a note of this somewhere handy.

St Paul's don't have their own because there are five nearby. One at The Two Brewers, in a cabinet on the outside wall. Available 24/7. One behind the Post Office in a cabinet on a wall. Available 24/7. One at the Cricket Club but only available when open. One at the Football club but, again, only available when open and one in Blackwell's on the wall by the dartboard, only available when open. To deter vandalism and theft the defibrillators at the Brewers and Post Office are in cabinets and require a code to open them. This can be obtained by phoning 999/112. The other 3 defibrillators are portable and do not require a code.

Our bible readings for the 3rd Sunday of Advent

14 December

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke chapter 1 verses 31 - 55

Glory to you, O Lord

31You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. **32**He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, **33**and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end."

34"How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?"

35The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. **36**Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be unable to conceive is in her sixth month. **37**For no word from God will ever fail."

38"I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May your word to me be fulfilled." Then the angel left her.

39At that time Mary got ready and hurried to a town in the hill country of Judea, **40**where she entered Zechariah's home and greeted Elizabeth. **41**When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. **42**In a loud voice she exclaimed: "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the child you will bear! **43**But why am I so favoured, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? **44**As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. **45**Blessed is she who has believed that the Lord would fulfil his promises to her!"

46And Mary said:

"My soul glorifies the Lord

47and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,

48for he has been mindful

of the humble state of his servant.

From now on all generations will call me blessed,
49for the Mighty One has done great things for me—
holy is his name.

50His mercy extends to those who fear him,
from generation to generation.

51He has performed mighty deeds with his arm;
he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts.

52He has brought down rulers from their thrones
but has lifted up the humble.

53He has filled the hungry with good things
but has sent the rich away empty.

54He has helped his servant Israel,
remembering to be merciful

55to Abraham and his descendants forever,
just as he promised our ancestors.”

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



Advent Lessons and Carols

HOLY CROSS CHURCH, SARRATT

Followed by mince pies and mulled wine in
The Cock Inn, opposite church.

AT 6.30PM

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DECEMBER

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME - HAVE A QUESTION, CALL THE
CHURCH OFFICE ON 01923 264377**



ST PAUL'S INVITES YOU TO OUR SPECIAL CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

As we wait for the light of the world to be born this Christmas join us for our family friendly candlelit service...

Make Christingles and sing some special songs!

SUNDAY 21ST DECEMBER

4PM ST PAUL'S CHURCH

LIKE MORE INFO? - CALL REVD SARAH 07525491496



ST PAUL'S CHURCH

For unto us
a child is born!



Nativity Service

24TH December 2025
ST PAUL'S CHIPPERFIELD
1.30pm Doors Open
2pm Start

Invite your friends and family to share in this Christmas celebration! Everyone is welcome...
Please bring any children who would like to take part dressed as their favourite Nativity Character.
If your child would like to star in the show we are looking for particular characters for special parts...Please let Revd Sarah know if this could be you!

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HOLY CROSS CHURCH

For unto us
a child is born!

(and He's Round The Back!!)



Nativity Service

24TH December 2025
HOLY CROSS SARRATT
3.30pm Doors Open
4.00pm Start

Invite your friends and family to share in this Christmas celebration! Everyone is welcome...
Please bring any children who would like to take part dressed as their favourite Nativity Character.
If your child would like to star in the show we are looking for an Inn Keeper, Joseph and Mary, Shepherds and the Wise women/men for special parts...Please let Revd Sarah know if this could be you!

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