

BENEFICE PRAYER REQUESTS

Caroline, Peter, Beverley & family. David & Angela.

Derek & family, Harry, Ken.

For all those taking GCSEs & A Levels.

For those preparing to be married.

100 days of prayer for how the Diocese sustains ministry -

Our stewardship - time, talents & gifts.

Any specific prayer requests for others, please get their agreement for their names to be published & then send details to

Jola on benkelnav3@yahoo.com



	<p>Climate Café Brentwood - 7 Crown Street Brentwood: Open on the last Saturday of every month . See their link below link for full info and updates. Climate Café® Brentwood – Climate Café® We recycle used ink cartridges, used stamps, used candles for the wax, e.g tea lights. Drop them off at church. Donate good quality clothes to St Nicholas Jumble Sale 6 June</p>
	<p>Please support the local Foodbank: there are collection boxes at the back of each church. Items in need are tinned ham, corn beef, toiletries, laundry gel, coffee, multipurpose spray etc.</p>
	<p>When online shopping, please go via easyfundraising.co.uk to raise valuable funds – simple and free to use and the financial benefits to the churches really count.</p>
	<p>Hand Bell Ringers Wednesdays 7:30-9pm at St Paul's Church Centre. Bentley Tower Bell Ringers Tuesdays 7-9pm. New recruits welcome. Call 07746417459.</p>
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THE BENEFICE OF ST PAUL'S BENTLEY COMMON, ST NICHOLAS KELVEDON HATCH & ST THOMAS' NAVESTOCK



SUNDAY 3RD MAY 2026

COLLECT: FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

THIS WEEK'S BIBLE QUOTE

"I will praise You, for I am fearfully *and* wonderfully made; Marvellous are Your works, And *that* my soul knows very well.." - **Psalm 139:14**

We are in May - where has the time gone? During May we have a number of events - please do support them and tell your friends and neighbours about them.

We are holding a Soup and Roll lunch to raise funds for Christian Aid - this will take place on 11 May after The Hub finishes in the Fane Hall, Kelvedon Hatch. Everyone is welcome. It is open from 12-2pm. Please do come along.

In May we shall be joining in with Thy Kingdom Come, which takes place from Ascension (14th) until Pentecost (24th) - more than a million Christians praying, in nearly 90% of countries worldwide, across 85 different denominations and traditions - for friends and family, neighbours and colleagues that they might come to faith in Jesus Christ. Think of 5 people and start praying for them. More information to come about Thy Kingdom Come.

With every blessing, Rev'd Julie

UPCOMING EVENTS

<p>Sunday 3rd May - 5th Sunday of Easter 1 Peter 2:1-10/John 14:1-14 9.30am ST PAUL'S - All Together 11am ST NICHOLAS - Holy Communion 6.30pm ST THOMAS - BCP Evening Prayer</p>		
Mon 4th	N/A	The Hub - Closed
Wed 6th	9-12.30pm	Coffee & Chat - St Paul's Church Centre
Thurs 7th	9.30am	Holy Communion - St Nicholas Church
Sat 9th	10-12 noon N/A	St Nicholas' Plant & Book Sale - Fane Hall Prayer at 10 - Cancelled this week
<p>Sunday 10th May - 6th Sunday of Easter Acts 17:22-31/John 14:15-21 9.30am ST PAUL'S - Service of the Word & APCM 11am ST NICHOLAS - Service of the Word 6.30pm ST THOMAS - BCP Holy Communion</p>		
Mon 11th	9-12noon 12.15pm 2pm 3pm 7pm 8pm	The Hub- Fane Hall Soup & Roll Lunch - Fane Hall Holy Communion - Dudbrook House Holy Communion - Howard Lodge Night Prayer in the Garden St Paul's MU at Barbara's
Tues 12th	8pm	Alpha Course - Held on Teams
Wed 13th	9 -11am 1pm 7.30pm	Little Hatchlings - St Paul's Church Centre Navestock Lunch - Navestock Village Hall Wedding Rehearsal - St Paul's Church
Thurs 14th ASCENSION	9.30am	Holy Communion - St Nicholas Church
Sat 16th	1pm 10-2pm	Wedding - St Paul's - Aaron & Emma Plant Sale - St Thomas' Church
<p>Sunday 17th May - 7th Sunday of Easter Acts 1:6-14/John 17:1-11 9.30am ST PAUL'S - Holy Communion & JAM 11am ST NICHOLAS - Holy Communion & APCM after service 6.30pm ST THOMAS - BCP Evening & APCM after service</p>		
Mon 18th	9-12noon	The Hub- Fane Hall
Wed 20th	9-12.30pm	Coffee & Chat - St Paul's Church Centre
Thurs 21st	9.30am	Holy Communion - St Nicholas Church

Men's Curry Night - The Pilgrims Korai - 6th May
 Meeting in The Blackhorse at 7pm for pre-drinks.
 Contact Darren if you want to attend.

St Nicholas' Plant & Book Sale - Fane Hall - 9th May
 10am-12 noon- Plants, books & refreshments . Come along & bag a bargain.

Soup & Roll Lunch - Fane Hall - 11th May
 12.15pm-2pm - Raising funds for Christian Aid. All welcome.

Night Prayer in the Garden - 11th May
 7pm - Night Prayers in the Garden at Green Lane Farm, Pilgrims Lane
 CM14 5RX. Followed by St Paul's Mothers' Union meeting at 8pm.
 Come for prayer and/or MU.

St Thomas' Plant Sale - St Thomas Church, Navestock - 16th May
 10am - 2pm - Lots of plants, preserves, cakes, books and more.
 Need volunteers to help on the day. Contact Rev Julie on 01277 373486
 or Elaine on 07813 824545 if you can help

Pentecost Service - The Rectory - 24th May
 10.30am- Outdoors at The Rectory, 2 Church Road, Kelvedon Hatch,
 CM14 5TJ.

St Nicholas' Church Jumble Sale - Fane Hall - 6th June
 10am-12noon - Please start to gather your jumble now that the seasons
 are changing. Drop off from 18 May at St Nicholas' church or Fane Hall.

Brass on the Grass - The Rectory - 4th July
 3pm - The Rectory Garden, Kelvedon Hatch. Tickets £12 adults, children £6.
 Contact Chris 01277 373816

APCMs - Annual Parochial Church Meetings:
 St Paul's - 10 May - during Service
 St Nicholas - 17 May - 12 noon in Fane Hall
 St Thomas - 17 May - 7.15pm after Service
 Hear what your church has done this past year and our plans for the future.