

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

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New Pattern of Services – please note changes of times

Sunday 2 August - 9th after Trinity 1 st Sunday of the month	
10.30am	Benefice Eucharist – Holy Cross
3.30pm	Forest Church – St Paul's
Sunday 9 August - 10th after Trinity 2 nd Sunday of the month	
9.30am	Morning Worship – Holy Cross
10.30am	Benefice Eucharist – St Paul's
Sunday 16 August - 11th after Trinity 3 rd Sunday of the month	
9.30am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) – St Paul's <i>Coffee & croissants available between morning services</i>
10.30am	All Together Informal Worship – St Paul's
6.30pm	Compline (traditional night prayer) – Holy Cross

Sunday 23 August - 12th after Trinity 4 th Sunday of the month	
9.30am	Morning Worship – St Paul’s
10.30am	Benefice Eucharist – Holy Cross
<i>6.30pm</i>	<i>Prayer & Praise – St Paul’s – Coming soon, watch this space!</i>
Sunday 30 August - 13th after Trinity 5 th Sunday of the month	
9.30am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) – Holy Cross
10.30am	Benefice Café Church– St Paul’s

ST PAUL'S MEMORIAL GARDEN

If you are passing or have a spare 20 minutes, please can you tip a watering can or two on the hedging. Don't all start at the front edge but scatter your kindness where it looks driest! There is a hosepipe behind the dustbins.

With many thanks, Frances Onians

DENS APPEAL

Local homelessness charity urges community to fund ordinary items that will create an extraordinary impact. DENS has launched its More Than Appeal to help equip its new headquarters and support life-changing services for local people facing crisis.

Construction is progressing on the new DENS Centre. To help bring the space to life, DENS is asking supporters to fund everyday items such as mugs, laptops and chairs. While ordinary in themselves, these items will help create opportunities that enable people to move forward positively.

For example, for Amy, a mug of tea represents the moment she begins addressing rental arrears and keeping her family's home, during a conversation with the DENS team.

DENS is aiming to raise £20,000 to fund vital equipment. Thanks to match funding from a generous supporter, the first £5,000 donated will be doubled. Donors who contribute £1,000 or more will also have their name featured on a special Giving Tree at the DENS Centre.

The appeal has received support from DENS Patron, Adrian Scarborough – the award-winning actor known for The Chelsea Detective and Gavin & Stacey. In a message shared on social media, he said: "DENS is much more than a roof and a bed. So, please help us if you can."

To donate, please visit www.dens.org.uk/more-than

Our bible readings for the Ninth Sunday after Trinity

2 August

Romans Chapter 9 Verses 1-5

¹ I speak the truth in Christ—I am not lying, my conscience confirms it through the Holy Spirit— ² I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³ For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my people, those of my own race, ⁴ the people of Israel. Theirs is the adoption to sonship; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises. ⁵ Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of the Messiah, who is God over all, forever praised! Amen.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Chapter 14 Verses 13-21

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹³ When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

¹⁵ As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food."

¹⁶ Jesus replied, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat."

¹⁷ "We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish," they answered.

¹⁸ "Bring them here to me," he said. ¹⁹ And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. ²⁰ They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. ²¹ The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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

INTRODUCING SOUL SPACE

Do you want some • stillness in your life? • time to reflect, think and contemplate amongst friends? • space to gather your thoughts and feelings, to make sense of both them and how the bible aids us in living as disciples of Christ?

From 1 September, we are starting new benefice home groups using the Soul Space material from the Church of England resource hub and looking at a weekly Lectionary reading.

If you would like to join one of the groups, please add your name to the sign-up sheets at the back of both churches and when would suit you best so we can accommodate as many as possible. If you would be interested in hosting a group, please have a chat with

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FOREST CHURCH

Book your places today

Do your children love being outdoors?
Being creative through nature? Discovering the world
around them through mud, sticks and leaves?

Forest Church has arrived in Chipperfield!

Why not join us for some den building, bug finding fun, in
our beautiful outdoors?

St Paul's church Chipperfield 1st Sunday of the month at 3.30pm
for more details contact
Revd Sarah 07525491496

suggested donation £2.50 per child to cover materials



Inspire

**7th September meeting
Parish Room 1.30-3pm**

Have time away from your busy lives and join us for activities, conversations and talks over tea, coffee and cake.

In September, Wendy Bathurst will be talking to us about the Wildlife in our Gardens.

Do come and join us.

For more info contact Fay on fay.dent@live.co.uk

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