



SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH Coven, Staffordshire

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In today's Gospel Jesus continues to attack the priests and elders for their sense of entitlement, warning them they will lose their position if their lives do not bear witness to their faith; while Paul calls believers to fix their thoughts on all that is honourable and pure.

238 Come down, O Love divine
532 All creatures of our God and King (omit * verses)
602 Blest are the pure in heart
236 Breathe on me, breath of God

The Angelus follows the blessing:

The Angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary,
And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee:
blessed art thou amongst women,
and blessed is the Fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

**Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
Be it unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary, full of grace ...

And the Word was made flesh.
And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary, full of grace ...

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.
**That we may be made worthy
of the promises of Christ.**

A prayer follows and all respond, **Amen.**

NOTICES

Welcome to Saint Paul's. This morning's service can be followed in the green booklets you were given as you came in, with hymns from the red hymn book. A collection will be taken during the second hymn.

This week at Saint Paul's:

Said Mass, Wednesday, 10.30am.

Coffee pop-in, Saturday, 10.30am.

Our Harvest celebrations take place next weekend, with a **Harvest Sale and Coffee morning** from 10.00am to 12.00 noon on the Saturday (donations of cakes etc. needed – please see the list at the back of the church if you can help.); and our **Harvest Thanksgiving** service on the Sunday morning. Your gifts of non-perishable food-stuffs for Good Shepherd will be received both days.

Thursday's PCC meeting had to be postponed because of Darquise's hospitalisation, and will now take place on Thursday 15 October, at the Vicarage.

We pray for the sick: Pauline Appleby, Kathryn Campbell, Karen Jones, Fr Frank Kirby, Darquise, Ethan, Gem, Mick, Monica, Nikki, Tim; for the recently departed; and for those whose anniversaries occur this week: Margaret Nicholson, Doreen Beardsmore, Eileen Jones, Hilda Rafferty.

Saint Paul's, like any parish of the Church of England, relies on the generosity of those who worship here. Please leave your offering on the plate or donate by bank transfer to: St Paul's Parochial Church Council, Coven, AC 02115540, Sort code 30-99-83. Remember, your giving goes even further at no cost to you if you complete a **Gift Aid declaration**.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Twenty-seventh Week in Ordinary Time

Monday	Galatians 1.6-12
Weekday	Luke 10.25-37
Tuesday	Galatians 1.13-end
Weekday	Luke 10.38-end
Wednesday	Galatians 2.1-2 & 7-14
Weekday	Luke 11.1-4
Thursday	Galatians 3.1-5
Weekday	Luke 11.5-13
Friday	Galatians 3.7-14
Saint John Henry Newman	Luke 11.15-26
Saturday	Galatians 3.22-end
Weekday	Luke 11.27-28
Next Sunday	Deuteronomy 8.7-18; 2 Corinth. 9.6-15
Harvest Thanksgiving	Luke 17.11-19