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': www.achurchnearyou.com

Sunday 15 November – 2nd Sunday before Advent 3rd Sunday of the month	
9.30am	**Holy Communion, BCP – St Paul's**
10.30am	**All Together Worship – St Paul's**
6.30pm	**Compline (traditional evening prayer) – Holy Cross**
Sunday 22 November – Christ the King 4th Sunday of the month	
9.30am	**Morning Worship – St Paul's**
10.30am	**Benefice Eucharist – Holy Cross**
Sunday 29 November – Advent Sunday, First Sunday of Advent 5th Sunday of the month	
9.30am	**Book of Common Prayer – Holy Cross**
10.30am	**Benefice Café Church – Holy Cross**
Sunday 6 December – SecondSunday of Advent 1st Sunday of the month	
10.30am	**Benefice Eucharist – Holy Cross**
2.30pm	**Christingle Service – St Paul's**

Our bible readings for the 2nd Sunday before Advent

15 November

Philippians Chapter 3 Verses 17-end

[17]Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample.
[18] (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ:
[19] Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.)
[20] For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:
[21] Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Chapter 22 Verses 15-22

Glory to you, O Lord.

15 Then went the Pharisees, and took counsel how they might entangle him in his talk.
16 And they sent out unto him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any man: for thou regardest not the person of men.
17 Tell us therefore, What thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Caesar, or not?
18 But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, Why tempt ye me, ye hypocrites?
19 Shew me the tribute money. And they brought unto him a penny.
20 And he saith unto them, Whose is this image and superscription?
21 They say unto him, Caesar's. Then saith he unto them, Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's.
22 When they had heard these words, they marvelled, and left him, and went their way.

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

Psalm 84

[1] How lovely is your dwelling-place,
Lord Almighty!
[2] My soul yearns, even faints,
for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh cry out
for the living God.
[3] Even the sparrow has found a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may have her young –
a place near your altar,
Lord Almighty, my King and my God.
[4] Blessed are those who dwell in your house;
they are ever praising you
[5] Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
whose hearts are set on pilgrimage.
[6] As they pass through the Valley of Baka,
they make it a place of springs;
the autumn rains also cover it with pools.
[7] They go from strength to strength,
till each appears before God in Zion.
[8] Hear my prayer, Lord God Almighty;
listen to me, God of Jacob.
[9] Look on our shield, O God;
look with favour on your anointed one.
[10] Better is one day in your courts
than a thousand elsewhere;
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
[11] For the Lord God is a sun and shield;
the Lord bestows favour and honour;
no good thing does he withhold
from those whose way of life is blameless.
[12] Lord Almighty,
blessed is the one who trusts in you.

BENEFICE LUNCH

The next Benefice Lunch is on Sunday 29 November at 12.30pm in the Parish Room. Sign-up sheets are at the back of both churches. All are welcome.

CHRISTMAS ARRIVES AT ST PAUL'S

Monday 30th November from 10am onwards.

Join Ian Chantrell and the team as we decorate St Paul's Church for the Christmas season.

Everyone is welcome, and whether you can spare an hour or the whole day, any help would be greatly appreciated. Bring a friend!

Refreshments will be available throughout the day.

We look forward to seeing you!





FOREST CHURCH



Advance notice – Please note that Forest Church will not run on Sunday 3 January but we look forward to welcoming you back on Sunday 7 February.

TICKETED SERVICES AT HOLY CROSS CHURCH

There will be Community Carols at Holy Cross Church on Sunday 20 December at 6.00pm, followed by refreshments at The Cock Inn.

There will be a Crib Service at Holy Cross Church on Thursday 24 December at 12.00 noon.

Tickets will be needed for both of these events to ensure everyone has a seat and we are not over capacity. More details will be shared in due course regarding where and when to get tickets.



DENS SLEEPOUT 2026

Date: Friday 20th November 7.30pm
Venue: The Dock, Station Road, Kings Langley, Herts, WD4 8LZ
Ticket Price: Adults (18+): £10 / Child (8-17): £5
Just One Night Can Change Someone's Future

Take on a challenge with a real purpose. Give up your home comforts for one night and experience sleeping outside while raising vital funds for local people facing homelessness and hardship.

Gather your friends, family, colleagues, youth group and community group and help support DENS' essential services, which provide preventative support, crisis intervention, and a pathway towards a brighter future for vulnerable people in our community.

Participants can look forward to:

- 😴 A secure, covered sleeping area
- 💛 A welcome pack and fundraising support
- 🎵 Live music, games, street food vendors and tasty treats
- 🎤 Inspiring stories about DENS' life-changing work
- 😋 A free breakfast to round off the experience

Book your place today: www.dens.org.uk/event/sleepout



Inspire

Women Inspiring Women

Join us on the 1st Monday of every Month in St Pauls Parish Room, Chipperfield from 1.30 to 3pm.

Take some time away from your busy life and enjoy tea, coffee and cake in a warm and friendly atmosphere.

We'd love you to join us

🎄 Special Christmas Craft Session 🎄

On **Monday 7th Decembe**r, Jenny will be helping us make our Christmas table decorations. There will be a small charge of £5 to cover the materials. Please let Fay know if you will be joining us.

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


MICKLEFIELD HALL
CHRISTMAS
Fair
THURS 26TH NOV 2026
5PM – 8PM
MICKLEFIELD HALL
SARRATT ROAD, RICKMANSWORTH, WD3 6AQ
TICKETS
£7
EARLY BIRD
(PRESALE)
£10
ON THE DOOR
BUY TICKETS ONLINE:
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Walking With Angels
Four week Advent course
Tuesdays, 1 December to 22 December
7pm.
St Paul's Parish Room, Chipperfield
Explore the words of angels throughout the Bible and enter Advent with a deeper awareness of the connection between the heavenly and earthly realms.
The four-week Advent course focuses each week on a different aspect of the angels' message, with prompts and questions for reflection and group discussion, helping us prepare for the coming of Christ.
Looking at the practice of prayer walking, we will slow down, step outside, and engage both body and spirit as we journey through the Advent season.
Sign up sheets at the back of St Paul's and Holy Cross Churches
Or contact Yvonne Collette;
yvonne.collette@sky.com

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Make every festive message count with DENS Christmas cards.

By choosing DENS Christmas cards, you'll be helping to support the charity's work with people in our local community who are facing homelessness, poverty, and social exclusion. Choose from five festive designs: *Blessed under the Stars*, *12 Days*, *Three Kings*, *Happy Christmas Dogs* and *Merry Christmas Robin*, with packs of 10 available for £5.50 or £6. Send warm wishes to friends and family while helping to make a difference locally this Christmas.

They will be available from Sue Walker, 01923 261847, 07541 553659, m.sue.walker100@gmail.com



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