Services for the week Sunday 22nd November 2026

SUNDAY	10.45am	Holy Communion at St Paul's
WEDNESDAY	9.30am	Holy Communion at St John's
	10.45am	Holy Communion at St Modwen's
THURSDAY	12.00 noon	Holy Communion at St Paul's
SATURDAY	10.00am – 12 noon	St Modwen's open for coffee and private prayer

notes

1 **URGENT APPEAL FROM YMCA FOODBANK** – donations of tinned food, long life milk, pasta, rice, cereal, tea bags, sugar, coffee, etc

2 **Walk the Pilgrim way:** Pilgrim course 9.00am at Red Lion House [1st and 3rd Saturday of the month]

3 Crafts, Knit & Natter – **24th November** & 1st December Tuesday at 10.00am

4 **Christmas shoe box appeal – these will be blessed on 29th November Advent Sunday**

5 Christmas Coffee Morning – Tuesday 8th December at 10.00am

6 BOOK CLUB – last Wednesday of the month at the Vicarage 7.00pm

On our parish prayer list we remember Pat Dawson, Monica Srinivasan, Jean Towler, Terry Harrison, Carolin Ellis, Mary Gamble, Jeanette Dyke, Christine Binding, Rachel, Sandra Foster

THE DEPARTED –

From the Anniversary of Death book we remember Anthony Sewell, George Keates, Annie Lenton

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Welcome to
The Church of St Paul Burton upon Trent

Sunday 22nd November 2026
SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT
CHRIST THE KING

COLLECT

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

10.45am Sung Mass

Reader: Valerie Cammack Prayers: John Woolley Offertory: Lilian Keen

Hymns:

Introit	*166*	*Crown him with many crowns (t. Diadem ata)*
Gradual	*589*	*The King of love my shepherd is (t. Dominus regit me)*
Offertory	*398*	*Christ triumphant, ever reigning (t. Guitting Power)*
Communion	*329*	*Thee we adore O hidden Saviour thee (t. Adoro te devote)*
Final	*on sheet*	*Hail redeemer, king divine (t. Hail Redeemer)*

	Reader	Prayers	Offertory
29th November	Mike Mear	Maureen Woolley	Alfredo

EZEKIEL 34.11-16,20-24

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

PSALM 100 RESPONSE: We are his people and the sheep of his pasture

1 O be joyful in the Lord, all the earth;
serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.
2 Know that the Lord is God;
it is he that has made us and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. [R]

3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and bless his name.
4 For the Lord is gracious; his steadfast love is everlasting,
and his faithfulness endures from generation to generation. [R]

EPHESIANS 1.15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

MATTHEW 25.31-46

Jesus said to his disciples 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'