

THE PARISH OF SAINT PAUL DEPTFORD



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Welcome to S. Paul's today in church or on Zoom.

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'Love one another as I have loved you', says the Lord.



Churchwardens: Ms Lavern Ford & Mr Andrew Taylor
Organist: Mr William Parkinson with S. Paul's Singers



**5th SUNDAY AFTER
TRINITY
20th JULY 2025**

**THE PARISH MASS
CHORAL
10.30am**

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Alun Ford
Chaplain to the Bishop of Southwark

Mass Setting: Mass for Four Voices (1592-3)

by **William Byrd** (c. 1540-1623).

Hymns in NEH (green book)

Please join in with the Bold Type

¶ PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

The first movement of worship is to leave our homes and come to church.

This is an act of faith because we come to church to meet Christ.

The experience of worship is enhanced by being in church early.

This provides a time of transition to free our minds from the distractions

of the world and, as Psalm 46 says, "Be still, and know that I am God."

We pray that God will reveal himself to you in a new way today.

¶ THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Choir sings the **Introit We beseech thee, almighty God**

Collect for the Fifth Sunday in Lent (BCP) composed by Ian King (1962-2020)

WE beseech thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon thy people; that by thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Stand

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul.

I will sacrifice to you with willing heart,

and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

Psalm 54: 6,8

Let us go forth in peace, **in the name of Christ. Amen.**

The Processional Hymn: 440

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation (Tune: Lobe Den Herren)

The Greeting

✠ In the name of the Father,

and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Introduction to the Mass

The celebrant welcomes the people and introduces the Mass.

Prayers of Penitence

Sisters and brothers, to prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries, let us call to mind and confess our sins.

The Confiteor

**I confess to almighty God,
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do;**
(And, striking their breast, they say:)

**through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;**

(Then they continue:)

**therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin,
all the angels and saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord, our God. Amen.**

The celebrant pronounces the Absolution

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you,
✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The choir sings The Kyrie Eleison

Kýrie, eléison. Christe, eléison. Kýrie, eléison.

Gloria in Excelsis



/ et in terra pax hominibus bonæ voluntátis.

/ Laudámus te, benedicimus te,

/ adorámus te, glorificámus te,

/ grátias ágimus tibi / propter magnam glóriam tuam,

/ Dómine Deus, Rex cæléstis, / Deus Pater omnipotens.

/ Dómine Fili unigénite, / Iesu Christe, / Dómine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris,

/ qui tollis peccáta mundi, / miserére nobis;

/ qui tollis peccáta mundi, / súscipe deprecationém nostram.

/ Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, / miserére nobis.

/ Quóniam tu solus Sanctus, / tu solus Dóminus,

/ tu solus Altíssimus, / Iesu Christe, / cum Sancto Spíritu:

/ ✠ in glória Dei Patris. / Amen.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you,

we adore you, we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

✠ in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,

by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church

is governed and sanctified:

hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people,

that in their vocation and ministry

they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name;

through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,

who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

¶ THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sit for the readings

First Reading from the Old Testament

A reading from the book of Genesis (18: 1-10a)

¹ The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ² He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them and bowed down to the ground. ³ He said, "My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴ Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵ Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." ⁶ And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." ⁷ Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸ Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared and set it before them, and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. ⁹ They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." ¹⁰ Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 15 is sung by the choir

Domine, quis habitabit?

¹ O LORD, who shall dwell in thy tabernacle :

or who shall rest upon thy holy hill?

² Even he that leadeth an uncorrupt life : and doeth the thing which is right,

and speaketh the truth from his heart.

³ He that hath used no deceit in his tongue, nor done evil to his neighbour:

and hath not slandered his neighbour.

⁴ He that setteth not by himself, but is lowly in his own eyes :

and maketh much of them that fear the Lord.

⁵ He that sweareth unto his neighbour, and disappointeth him not :

though it were to his own hindrance.

⁶ He that hath not given his money upon usury :

nor taken reward against the innocent.

⁷ Whoso doeth these things : shall never fall.

Second Reading from the New Testament

A reading from the letter of S. Paul to the Colossians (1: 15-28)

¹⁵ Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. ²¹ And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²² he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him, ²³ provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a minister of this gospel. ²⁴ I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵ I became its minister according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶ the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷ To them God chose to make known how great among the gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸ It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Stand & turn to face the Gospel

Gospel Acclamation and Reading

♪ **Alleluia!** Blessed are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance. *S. Luke 8: 15a* **Alleluia** ♪

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

A ✠ reading from the ✠ Holy Gospel according to ✠ Luke (10: 38-42)
Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁸ Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. ³⁹ She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, ⁴² but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Homily

Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

(Genuflect) was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made human. (Rise)

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

✠ and the life of the age to come. Amen.

Remain standing

Prayers of Intercession

Celebrant

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Lord, saying, **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor 1

For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 2

For Stephen our archbishop, Christopher our bishop, his assistant, Alastair, archdeacon Chigor, Fr Paul our parish priest, Fr Alun and all bishop's chaplains, and for all clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 3

For all peoples and their leaders, and for peace and justice in the world. We pray especially for *(Celebrant adds...)* let us pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 4

For the diverse communities that make up the Deptford community, for every city, town and village, and for all the people who live within them, let us pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 5

For good weather, abundant harvests for all to share, and for the care and conservation of the planet and all its creatures, let us pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 6

For all people in distress and all places of distress; the sick and the suffering, workers, travellers and refugees, prisoners and captives, victims of crime, and for their safety, health and salvation. We remember especially *(Celebrant reads the names...)* let us pray to the Lord.

Intercessor 7

For our deliverance from all affliction, strife and need, and for the absolution of our sins and offences, let us pray to the Lord.

Celebrant

We remember those who have gone before us in the peace of Christ, especially...

and those whose anniversaries fall at this time especially...

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,

and let light perpetual shine upon them.

✠ May they rest in peace **and rise in glory. Amen.**

The celebrant invites us to offer our personal intentions, and then leads us in asking for the Prayers of our Lady & the Saints.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the BVM we pray: **Hail Mary...**

S. Peter, Prince of the Apostles, **Pray for us. S. Paul** the Apostle, our Patron,

S. Mary Magdalene, Apostle to the Apostles, **S. James** the Apostle,

Ss. Joachim & Anne, parents of the BVM, **S. Joseph** of Nazareth,

S. Augustine & S. Monica, **S. Benedict & S. Scholastica**,

S. Francis & S. Clare of Assisi, **S. Margaret** of Antioch,

Bl. Bartolomé de las Casas, **S. Lawrence** of Brindisi, **Bl. Conrad Noel**,

S. Bridget of Sweden, **All you angels and saints.**

Merciful God **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, Our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Remain standing

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Altar is prepared

The Offertory Hymn: 148

The God of Abraham praise (Tune: Leoni)

Remain standing

Orate Fratres

Pray my sisters and brothers, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

O God, who in the one perfect sacrifice brought to completion various offerings of the law, accept, we pray, this sacrifice from your faithful servants and make it holy, as you blessed the gifts of Abel, so that what each has offered to the honour of your majesty may benefit the salvation of all. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

Celebrant sings the Preface in which God is praised for his mighty acts, & the choir sings the Sanctus & Benedictus:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dóminus Deus Sabaoth.

Pleni sunt caeli et terra glória tua. Hosánná in excélsis.

✠ Benedíctus qui venit in nómine Dómini. Hosánná in excélsis.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

✠ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The celebrant recalls the Last Supper, and this acclamation is said:

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

The Prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond boldly:

AMEN.

¶ THE COMMUNION RITE

Remain standing

The Lord's Prayer

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.**

The celebrant adds:

*Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day.
In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all distress
as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.*

**For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Peace.

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles:

Peace I leave you, my peace I give you.

Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church,
and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom
where you live for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*We share the peace with those immediately around us,
a sign that expresses peace, communion, and love.*

Agnus Dei is sung by the choir.

*during which the celebrant takes the host and breaks it over the paten,
placing a small piece in the chalice.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

Communion Antiphon

Behold! I am standing at the door, knocking;

if you hear my voice and open the door,

I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me. *Revelation 3:20*

Please follow the directions of the sidespeople.

The Body / Blood of Christ.

The communicant replies

Amen.

and then receives.

* At home, make an Act of Spiritual Communion *

*As you imagine yourself receiving the Bread of Heaven, be still
and rest in the love of God. Thank Him for entering beneath the roof of your soul.*

O Sacred Feast!

Wherein Christ is received, his Passion is remembered,

our souls are filled with grace and the pledge of eternal glory is received.

O Sacrum Convivium, 13th Century (attributed to S. Thomas Aquinas)

Choir sings the Communion Motet, The Marriage in Cana.

*Selected verses from the poem 'The Marriage in Cana' by the Revd Edward Smedley
(1788-1836), as set by Jonathan Vaughn (b. 1981),*

*a British-American organist and choir director who currently serves as the associate
director of music at Christ Church, Greenwich, in Connecticut, USA.*

"Wine! give me Wine!" the Teian Harper sang,
While the light chords beneath his fingers rang;
"Fling odours round me, breathing flowers entwined,
Circle the bowl, and give me, give me Wine!"
There, long expectant, at the Maiden's gate
The Children of the Bridal chamber wait,
Till issue forth the Pair; then with new song,
Dance, shout, and acclamation, moves the throng:
And now the Cup, with blessing duly crowned,
Had pledged the new-betrothed, and circled round;

Each lip which tasted poured some kindly prayer,
Love, life, fertility, and store to spare;
The last most needful, for already dry
The scanty goblet spake their poverty.
Now, armed in complete Self, the Lord arose,
He, of dominion source, a channel those.
Strong with unborrowed strength, the lists He trod,
And to the proof of Godhead, moved as God.
Six pots of stone, capacious lavers, stood,
Formed to receive the purifying flood.
These, so the Virgin warned them, as He willed,
The attendant ministers with water filled;
Then drew the beverage forth, and at His word,
Bare to the Ruler of the Marriage-board.
It was no water-pressed from founts divine,
Unmothered by the grape, it scarce was wine.
Glory to God! Yes, God was gloried then,
Revealed in flesh, and manifest to men.
Now the first day-spring from on high hath streamed,
And light o'er those who sate in darkness beamed.

After receiving Holy Communion read & pray quietly in thanksgiving.

THE JESUS PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

THE TRISAGION (Thrice Holy)

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, Have mercy on us. (x3)

The Communion Hymn: 339

Be thou my vision (Tune: Slane)

Holiness and Prayer

"The creative channel of Grace in the world is the Church.

There is no distinction between priest plus one,

and priest plus two, sixty, or six thousand.

Those who are worried over lack of support
might substitute ascetic for arithmetic.

There is nothing so contagious as holiness,
nothing more pervasive than prayer.

This is precisely what the traditional Church means by evangelism
and what distinguishes it from recruitment."

Fr Martin Thornton (1915-86)

from his book, 'Pastoral theology: A Reorientation' (1956), p24.

*Fr Thornton was an English Anglican priest, spiritual director, author and lecturer on
ascetical theology. His "theology of the remnant" has been influential in Anglican circles.
He was active for much of his life in the Diocese of Truro, England, serving 10 years
as the canon chancellor of Truro Cathedral. He died on 22 June 1986 and was buried
at Crewkerne, Somerset. The epitaph on his tombstone is:*

*"The word of God his Rule / The Glory of God his Aim /
And to God the Holy Trinity / was all his guiding."*

A new configuration of faith, culture and politics

"If religious faith were to be released from the burden of furnishing
social orders with a set of rationales for their existence, it might be
free to rediscover its true purpose as a critique of all such politics. In
this sense, its superfluity might prove its salvation. The New Testament
has little or nothing to say of responsible citizenship. It is not a 'civilised'
document at all. It shows no enthusiasm for social consensus. Since it
holds that such values are imminently to pass away, it is not greatly
taken with standards of civic excellence or codes of good conduct.
What it adds to common-or-garden morality is not some supernatural
support, but the grossly inconvenient news that our forms of life must
undergo radical dissolution if they are to be reborn as just and
compassionate communities. The sign of that dissolution is a solidarity
with the poor and powerless. It is here that a new configuration of faith,
culture and politics might be born."

Terry Eagleton, 'Culture and the Death of God'
Yale University Press, (2014) pp. 207-8

¶ THE CONCLUDING RITE

Stand

Postcommunion Prayer

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you,

that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered

by your governance,

that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



NOTICES & ANY BANNs OF MARRIAGE.

Stand

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us Bow our heads and pray for God's blessing.

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
And the blessing of God almighty,
✠ the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Blessing



The Recessional Hymn: 478

Ye watchers and ye holy ones (Tune: Lasst uns Erfreuen)

The Dismissal

The Angelus

The Angel of the Lord brought glad tidings to Mary;

And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

**Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee,
blessed art thou among 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...

And the Word was made flesh.

And dwelt among us. Hail Mary...

Pray for us O holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that as we have known
the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his Cross
✠ and Passion we may be brought unto the glory of his Resurrection; through the
same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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Organ Voluntary

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& MAKE YOUR WAY TO THE CRYPT FOR REFRESHMENTS. ∞

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THE KALENDAR

5th after Trinity & 16th Week of Ordinary Time

20th to 26th July 2025

MASS & Other Service Times in church

SUN, 20th, MP 9am, **PARISH MASS 10.30am**, EP 6pm
MON, 21st, S. Lawrence of Brindisi, No Public Liturgies
TUES, 22nd, S. Mary Magdalene, No Public Liturgies
WEDS, 23rd, S. Bridget of Sweden, EP 5.30pm, **Mass 6.00pm**
THURS, 24th, Feria, EP 5.30pm, **Mass 6.00pm**
FRI, 25th, S. James the Apostle, EP 6pm
SAT, 26th, Ss. Joachim & Anne, parents of the BVM, **Mass 10.00am**, EP 6pm

DAILY OFFICE: MP = Morning Prayer, EP = Evening Prayer

27th JULY 2025

6th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

MORNING PRAYER at 9.00am

PARISH MASS SUNG at 10.30am

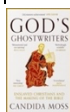
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector

EVENING PRAYER at 6pm

THE NOTICES

Ω S. PAUL'S OMEGA STUDY GROUP Ω

is taking a break for the summer. Back in the Autumn. Date TBC.



Meets on Thursdays 8.30 - 10pm over Zoom. Further info and login
details on the Parish website & the Rector's Weekly Email.

All welcome. We are currently reading and discussing:

'God's Ghostwriters: Enslaved Christians

and the Making of the Bible' by Candida Moss (2024)

Church Cleaning & Preparation for Sunday
Every Saturday from 11am until 12.30pm.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

'The Lord loves a cheerful giver.' The Church, based upon
biblical teaching, asks every Christian to give a Tithe, 10% of their time,
talents & money to God's work. In particular, that the faithful might
give 5% of their Income to church where they attend.

E.g. If you earn:

£5000 a year or, £96 a week = Give £5 a week to S. Paul's.

£10000 a year, £192 a week = £10 a week.

£20000 a year, £385 a week = £20 a week.

£25000 a year, £480 a week = £25 a week.

£30000 a year, £577 a week = £30 a week.

Over the year our costs run to almost £1,000 a week. We receive no external
subsidies, and all monies must be raised from the parishioners, through lettings,
or voluntary donations. **Thank you** for all financial contributions which help to
pay for: - the: Utility bills of the church, (gas, electricity, water) - Costs of
maintaining the worship, (e.g. candles, wine, wafers, incense) - Maintenance,
cleaning, & repair of our Grade I Listed church, (substantial costs) - Office costs
(e.g. postage, printing, paper) - Monthly Diocesan Parish Share to the Diocese,
(80p out of every £1 we give to the Diocese goes towards clergy stipends).

**We ask everyone, who can, to please give via Direct Debit,
Standing Order, or, via the Weekly Envelope Scheme.**

GIVING VIA DIRECT DEBIT: Please see the **PARISH GIVING
SCHEME** information leaflet and Direct Debit Form, on the Parish Website
ONLINE GIVING: Our **Give A Little** page is available on our website, via
the **Donate** button, or here: <https://bit.ly/spd-giving>

✠ FURTHER INFORMATION & UPDATES ✠

On the **Parish Website - Church Noticeboard** (churchyard
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stpaulsdeptford@btinternet.com

sent every Friday via MailChimp (GDPR compliant)