

# THE PARISH OF SAINT PAUL DEPTFORD



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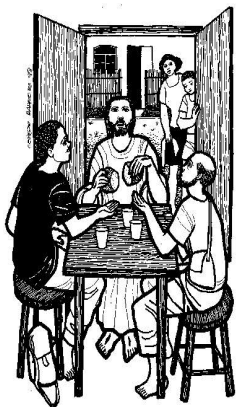
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'Love one another as I have loved you', says the Lord.



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



## 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY of EASTER 19<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2026

### THE PARISH MASS CHORAL 10.30am

**Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Charlie Bell**  
*Associate-Vicar of S. John the Divine, Kennington*  
**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

### ¶ THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Choir sings the **Introit, Terra tremuit** (Text: Psalm 76 (Vulgate 75): 9-10),  
Composed by **William Byrd**, published in 1607.

Terra tremuit et quievit: The earth trembled and was still  
Dum resurgeret in iudicio Deus. Alleluia. When God arose in judgement. Alleluia

Stand.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;  
O sing to the glory of his name.  
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

Cf. Psalm 66: 1-2

### Entrance Antiphon

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

### The Processional Hymn: 351

Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem (Tune: Neander)

✠ 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.

Alleluia, Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed, alleluia!**

### The Introduction to the Mass

The celebrant welcomes the people and introduces the Mass.

### Rite for the Blessing and Sprinkling of Water

replaces the Penitential Act

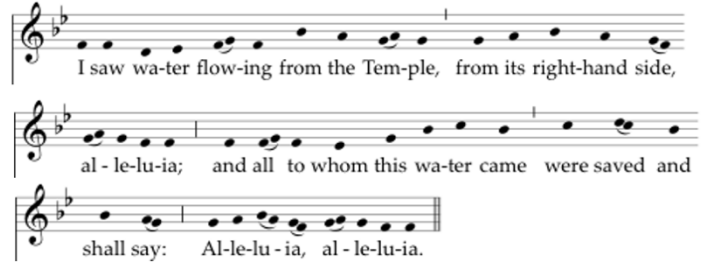
Lord our God, in your mercy be present to your people's prayers,  
and, for us who recall the wondrous work of our creation  
and the still greater work of our redemption, graciously bless ✠ this water.

For you created water to make the fields fruitful and to refresh our bodies.  
You also made water the instrument of your mercy:  
for through water you freed your people from slavery  
and quenched their thirst in the desert;  
through water the Prophets proclaimed the new covenant  
you were to enter upon with the human race;  
and last of all, through water, which Christ made holy in the Jordan,  
you have renewed our corrupted nature in the bath of regeneration.

Therefore, may this water be for us a memorial of the Baptism  
we have received, and grant that we may share in the gladness of our  
brothers and sisters who during Eastertide are receiving their Baptism.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Afterward taking the aspergillum, the priest sprinkles himself then the people,  
moving through the church, whilst we sing the **Vidi Aquam**.

### Antiphon



The choir sings **The Kyrie Eleison**

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

### Gloria in Excelsis

et in terra pax hominibus bonæ voluntátis.  
/ Laudámus te, benedícimus te,  
/ adorámus te, glorificámus te,  
Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o

/ 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 deprecationem nostram.  
/ Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, / miserére nobis.  
/ Quóniam tu solus Sanctus, / tu solus Dóminus,  
/ tu solus Altíssimus, / Iesu Christe, / cum Sancto Spirítu:  
/ ✠ 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 Father,  
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples  
with the sight of the risen Lord:  
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,  
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life  
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
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 Acts of the Apostles

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (2: 14a, 36-41)

On the day of Pentecost, <sup>14</sup> Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, <sup>36</sup> 'Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.' <sup>37</sup> Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' <sup>38</sup> Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' <sup>40</sup> And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' <sup>41</sup> So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added to their number.

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

**Psalm: 116: 1-4, 11-16** is sung by the choir

Dilexi, quoniam

<sup>1</sup> I AM well pleased : that the Lord hath heard the voice of my prayer;

<sup>2</sup> That he hath inclined his ear unto me :  
therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.

<sup>3</sup> The snares of death compassed me round about :  
and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.

<sup>4</sup> I shall find trouble and heaviness, and I will call upon the Name of the Lord:  
O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.

<sup>11</sup> What reward shall I give unto the Lord :

for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?

<sup>12</sup> I will receive the cup of salvation : and call upon the Name of the Lord.

<sup>13</sup> I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people :  
right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

<sup>14</sup> Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy servant :  
I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid;  
thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.

<sup>15</sup> I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving :  
and will call upon the Name of the Lord.

<sup>16</sup> I will pay my vows unto the Lord, in the sight of all his people :  
in the courts of the Lord's house, even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem.  
Praise the Lord.

### **Second Reading from the New Testament**

**A reading from the First Letter of Peter (1: 17-23)**

<sup>17</sup> If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. <sup>18</sup> You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, <sup>19</sup> but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. <sup>20</sup> He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. <sup>21</sup> Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. <sup>22</sup> Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. <sup>23</sup> You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

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

*Stand & turn to face the Gospel*

### **Gospel Acclamation and Reading**

♪ **Alleluia!**

Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us;  
make our hearts burn while you speak to us. *S. Luke 24:32*

**Alleluia!** ♪

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

✠ A reading from the ✠ Holy Gospel according to ✠ **Luke (24: 13-35)**  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup> On that same day, two of the disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup> but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup> Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' <sup>19</sup> Jesus asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see Jesus.' <sup>25</sup> Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' <sup>27</sup> Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. <sup>28</sup> As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized Jesus; and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' <sup>33</sup> That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup> They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' <sup>35</sup> Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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

### **The Homily**

*Stand*

### **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 joy and hope let us pray to the Father saying:  
**in Christ our Lord.**

*Intercessor 1*

That our risen Saviour may fill us with the joy of his glorious and life-giving resurrection, let us pray to the Father:

*Intercessor 2*

That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength in the good news of Easter, let us pray to the Father:

*Intercessor 3*

That he may grant us humility to be subject to one another in Christian love, let us pray to the Father:

*Intercessor 4*

That he may provide for those who lack food, work, or shelter, let us pray to the Father:

*Intercessor 5*

That by his power violence, oppression and poverty may cease through all the world, let us pray to the Father:

*Intercessor 6*

That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak and the dying, to comfort and strengthen them, especially (*Celebrant reads the names...*) let us pray to the Father:

*Intercessor 7*

That he may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people, so that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection, let us pray to the Father:

*Celebrant*

For all who have died recently *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.**

*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. Mary Magdalene, Apostle to the Apostles, Pray for us.**

**S. Joseph of Nazareth, S. Peter, Prince of the Apostles,**

**S. Paul the Apostle, our Patron, S. Augustine and S. Monica**

**S. Benedict and S. Scholastica, S. Francis and S. Clare of Assisi**

**S. George, S. Mark the Evangelist, 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: 296**

*Lord enthroned in heavenly splendour (Tune: St Helen)*

*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

Receive, O Lord, we pray, these offerings of your exultant Church, and, as you have given her cause for such great gladness, grant also that the gifts we bring may bear fruit in perpetual happiness. 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. Hosánna in excélsis.  
✠ Benedíctus qui venit in nómine Dómini. Hosánna 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.**

*and leads into the doxology, to which all respond boldly:*

**AMEN.**

### ¶ THE COMMUNION RITE

*Remain standing.*

#### The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in God's new creation, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**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

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.'

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

Alleluia! The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you. Alleluia!**

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.*

*The choir sings Agnus Dei*

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

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserére nobis.  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta mundi, miserére nobis.  
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccáta 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

The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

*Cf. S. Luke 24: 35*

*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, 13<sup>th</sup> century (attributed to S. Thomas Aquinas)*

*After receiving Holy Communion read & pray quietly in thanksgiving.*

#### THE JESUS PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner. (x10)

#### THE TRISAGION (Thrice Holy)

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

*Choir sings the Communion Motet, Sicut Cervus (Psalm 42 v. 1) as set by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c. 1526-1594).*

Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarem,  
ita desiderat anima mea ad Te, Deus.

*As a deer longs for flowing streams,  
so my soul longs for you, O God.*

### No Kneeling during Eastertide in order to commemorate the Resurrection of our Lord.

*"Since there are some who kneel on Sunday and during the season of Pentecost, this holy synod decrees that, so that the same observances may be maintained in every diocese, one should offer one's prayers to the Lord standing."*  
*First Ecumenical Council of Nicea 325. Canon 20*

#### The Communion Hymn: 295

*Let all mortal flesh keep silence (Tune: Picardy)*

### Sing Alleluia and Keep on Walking!

from, 'The Eye of the Storm' (DLT, 1992)

by **Fr Kenneth Leech** (1939-2015)

There is nothing quite like the experience of walking to promote comradeship. The Church is meant to be a people on the march, moving forward in solidarity, a pilgrim people... Our spiritual pilgrimage is not within an artificial religious world, but within the real world in which coal is mined and lemon meringue pie is made, the world in which companies are taken over and homeless people die in the streets, the world in which wars are declared and millions long for peace and for justice... The pilgrim community of the future, like its predecessors, will be confronted by monsters, by forces of evil and oppression. Confronted by such monsters, we will need all the spiritual resources we can get... For we are called to a spirituality of combat. It is no accident that the march is often a symbol of protest. This Christian pilgrimage is a march against oppression, a march from the oppressive realm of Babylon to the new Jerusalem, the home of peace and justice. There is no way to escape this conflict with the forces of evil within the fallen world order. We are called to be wounded healers...

A community of pilgrims needs to abandon clutter and to recover fundamentals. It needs to be set free from the obsession with trivia, to discriminate between things that abide, and passing fashions and fads. The sacraments of the pilgrim Church deal with basic things - bread, water, oil, the clasp of our sisters' and our brothers' hand. They are the food, provisions and resources for a people on the move. A community of pilgrims who are rooted and grounded in Christ's resurrection will be characterised by joy. Not the bogus cheeriness of the hearty, jolly, back-slapping Christians, but the deep joy of those who have attained an inner assurance, a confidence and trust in the power of the risen Christ. A pilgrim Church must be a joyful confident Church, which sings the songs of freedom in the midst of its bondage. "Sing Alleluia and keep on walking," says St Augustine in one of his most memorable sermons. As we move into the heart of the storm we will sing but we will keep on walking.

### ¶ THE CONCLUDING RITE

*Stand.*

#### Postcommunion Prayer

Living God,  
your Son made himself known  
to his disciples in the breaking of bread:  
open the eyes of our faith,  
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**



### ¶ NOTICES & ANY BANS OF MARRIAGE.

Stand.

### The Solemn Blessing

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

Alleluia, Christ is risen!  
**He is risen indeed, alleluia!**

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

God the Father,  
by whose love Christ was raised from the dead,  
open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life. **Amen.**

God the Son,  
who in bursting the grave has won a glorious victory,  
give you joy as you share the Easter faith. **Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit,  
whom the risen Lord breathed into his disciples,  
empower you and fill you with Christ's peace. **Amen.**

And the blessing of almighty God,  
✠ the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### The Dismissal



I-te, missa est, alle-lú-ia, alle- lú- ia. R. De- o grá- ti- as,  
alle-lú-ia, alle- lú- ia.

### The Recessional Hymn: 119

*The strife is o'er (Tune: Victory)*

### Regina Cæli

**Joy to thee, O Queen of heaven, alleluia.  
He whom thou wast meet to bear, alleluia.  
As he promised hath arisen, alleluia.  
Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia.**

Rejoice and be glad O Virgin Mary, alleluia.  
**For the Lord hath risen indeed, alleluia.**

*The Bell is rung 33 times,*

*once for each year of the earthly life of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Let us pray. O God, who gave joy to the world  
through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,  
grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary,  
his Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life.  
Through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

✠✠✠✠

### Organ Voluntary

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& MAKE YOUR WAY TO THE CRYPT FOR REFRESHMENTS. ∞

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### THE KALENDAR

**3rd WEEK of EASTER: 19th to 25th APRIL 2026**

**MASS & Other Service Times in church**

**SUN, 19th,** MP 9am, **PARISH MASS 10.30am, EP 5pm**

**No LOW MASSES this week.**  
Normal schedule returns from 26th April

**WEDS, 22nd,** of Eastertide, **Evening Prayer at 6.30pm**

**SAT, 25th,** S. Mark the Evangelist, **Morning Prayer at 10.00am**  
**Evening Prayer at 6.00pm**

### 26th APRIL 2026

**4th SUNDAY of EASTER**

**MORNING PRAYER at 9.00am**

**PARISH MASS CHORAL at 10.30am**

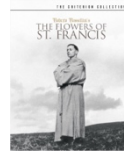
*Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector*

**EVENING PRAYER at 5pm**

### THE NOTICES

**Annual Vestry & APCM, Sunday, 24th May**

Please let Fr Paul know if you are interested in  
**HOLY BAPTISM &/or in HOLY CONFIRMATION**



### Ω S. PAUL'S OMEGA STUDY GROUP Ω

**Thursday, 7th May 8.30- 10pm on Zoom.**

When we will watch and discuss the film,  
**'The Flowers of Saint Francis'** (1950)

Directed by Roberto Rossellini.

All welcome. Info & login details on Parish website  
& the Rector's Weekly Email.

**CHURCH CLEANING every Saturday**  
**after Mass/MP 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, and recommends that  
members contribute 5% of their income to their church. **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 1 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  
forecourt) & **Subscribe to the Rector's Weekly Email** directly  
from the link on the website or by sending an email to:

[stpaulsdeptford@btinternet.com](mailto:stpaulsdeptford@btinternet.com)

sent every Friday via MailChimp (GDPR compliant)