

THE PARISH OF SAINT PAUL DEPTFORD



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



The Kyrie Eleison

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

The Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.
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.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

The Collect

Almighty God our redeemer,
you have delivered us from the power of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,
so by his continual presence in us
he may raise us to eternal joy;
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 Acts of the Apostles
A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (17: 22-31)

22 Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, 'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. 23 For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. 24 The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, 25 nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. 26 From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, 27 so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him - though indeed he is not far from each one of us. 28 For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "For we too are his offspring." 29 Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. 30 While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, 31 because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.'

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

Psalm: 66: 7-18

**R. / Bless our God you peoples;
let the sound of his praise be heard**

7 Bless our God, you peoples; make the voice of his praise to be heard;
8 Who holds our souls in life, and will not allow our feet to slip. **R. /**

9 For you, O God, have proved us;
you have tried us just as silver is tried.
10 You brought us into the snare;
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

11 You let enemies ride over our heads;
we went through fire and water;
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment. **R. /**

12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings
and will pay you my vows,
which I promised with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.
13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of rams;
I will give you oxen and goats. **R. /**

14 Come and listen, all you who fear God,
and I will tell you what he has done for me.

15 I called out to him with my mouth, and his praise was on my tongue.

16 If I had found evil in my heart,
the Lord would not have heard me; **R. /**

Churchwardens: Ms Lavern Ford & Mr Andrew Taylor
Organist: Ms Linda Pan

**6th SUNDAY of EASTER
10th MAY 2026**

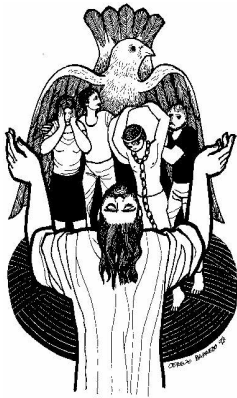
**THE PARISH MASS
SUNG
10.30am**

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector

Mass of St Thomas by David Thorne
Hymns in NEH (green book)

Please join in with the Bold Type

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES



Stand

Entrance Antiphon

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard: proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia!

Cf. Isaiah 48: 20

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

The Processional Hymn: 105

Christ the Lord is risen again! (Tune: Orientis Partibus)

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.**

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

The Introduction to the Mass

The celebrant welcomes the people and introduces the Mass.

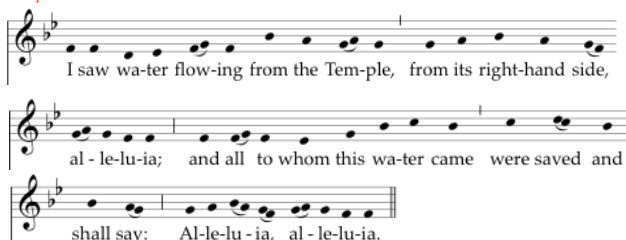
Rite for the Blessing and Sprinkling of Water

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 have received 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



¹⁷ But in truth God has heard me;
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
¹⁸ Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer,
nor withheld his love from me. **R. /**

Second Reading from the New Testament

A reading from the First letter of Peter (3: 13-22)

¹³ Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴ But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated. ¹⁵ But in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defence to anyone who demands from you an account of the hope that is in you; ¹⁶ yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. ¹⁸ For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹ in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰ who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹ And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you - not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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

Stand & turn to face the Gospel

Gospel Acclamation and Reading

♪ **Alleluia!** Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord; and my Father will love him and we will come to them. *S. John 14:23* **Alleluia** ♪
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

A ✠ reading from the ✠ Holy Gospel according to ✠ John (14: 15-21)

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: ¹⁵ 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ¹⁸ I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.'

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

We pray to Jesus who is present with us until the end of the Age,
responding to, Jesus, Lord of life, **with in your mercy, hear us.**

Intercessor 1

Jesus, light of the world, bring the light and peace of your gospel to the nations.
Jesus, Lord of life,

Intercessor 2

Jesus, bread of life, give food to the hungry and nourish us all with your word.
Jesus, Lord of life,

Intercessor 3

Jesus, our way, our truth, our life, be with us and all who follow you in the way.
Deepen our appreciation of your truth and fill us with your life.
Jesus, Lord of life,

Intercessor 4

Jesus, Good Shepherd who gave your life for the sheep,
recover the straggler, bind up the injured, strengthen the sick
and lead the healthy and strong to new pastures.
We especially remember, *(Celebrant reads the names...)* Jesus, Lord of life,
Celebrant

Jesus, the resurrection and the life, who was raised that all might be saved,
we give thanks for all who have gone before us.
We pray 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. Peter, Prince of the Apostles

S. Paul the Apostle, our Patron

S. Joseph of Nazareth, spouse of the BVM

S. Benedict and S. Scholastica

S. Augustine and S. Monica

S. Francis and S. Clare of Assisi

S. Matthias the Apostle

S. Nereus and S. Achilleus

S. Pancras

All you angels and saints.

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

¶ THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Altar is prepared

The Offertory Hymn: 351

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

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

May our prayers rise up to you, O Lord, together with the sacrificial offerings,
so that, purified by your graciousness, we may be conformed to the mysteries
of your mighty love. 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.

*Here follows the Preface in which the celebrant praises God for his mighty acts,
and all respond:*

**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 used:

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

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.

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

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

**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

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father
and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

S. John 14: 5-16

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)

After receiving Holy Communion 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)

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: 102

A brighter dawn is breaking (Tune: Nun Lasst Uns Gott)

THE NINE DAYS FROM ASCENSION DAY TO THE EVE OF PENTECOST ARE THE ORIGINAL 'NOVENA'

i.e. nine days of prayer. Before he ascended, Jesus ordered the disciples
not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there to be baptized by the Holy Spirit.
After his Ascension, they returned to the upper room in Jerusalem where
they devoted themselves to prayer. These last days of the Great Fifty Days
of Easter can be a time for us to prepare for the celebration of Pentecost.
As we anticipate the coming of the Holy Spirit, this can be a time to pray
for renewal in the Spirit and a time to reflect on the gifts which the Spirit
bestows on the Church. The seven gifts of the Spirit are based on the
prophecy of Isaiah 11:2-3.

Let us Pray:

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you
have bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sin, and have raised us to
the new life of grace in your Son Jesus Christ. Sustain us, O Lord, in
the gifts of your Spirit: an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage
to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift
of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Thy Kingdom Come

is a global prayer movement,
which invites Christians around the world to
pray **between Ascension and Pentecost**
for more people to come to know Jesus Christ.
It began as an invitation from the Archbishops'
of Canterbury & York in 2016 to the CofE,
& is now an international and ecumenical call to prayer.
<https://www.thykingdomcome.global>



SUB TUUM PRAESIDIUM.



The oldest known prayer to the Virgin Mary is often
referred to in the West by its first words in Latin,
"Sub tuum praesidium". It was composed in
Greek by an unknown author and is first attested on a
papyrus fragment of the 3rd century (Rylands 470).
The original Greek text is as follows; the letters missing
from the Rylands papyrus are in brackets.

(Υ)πὸ (τὴν σὴν) εὐσπλα(γχνίαν)
καταφε(ύγομεν), Θεοτόκε. Τ(ὰς ἡμῶν) ἰκεσίας μὴ
παρίδῃς ἐν περιστάσ(ει),
ἀλλ' ἐκ κινδύνου (λύτρω)σαι ἡμᾶς,
μόνη (Ἀγνή, μόν)ῃ εὐλογ(ημένη).

**"Beneath thy compassion do we flee, o Mother of God.
Despise not our supplication in difficulty,
but deliver us from danger,
o only pure one, only blessed."**

The Latin version appears to depend on a variant of this text used by
the Coptic Church and differs from the Greek in a few places.

Sub tuum praesidium confugimus, Sancta Dei Genitrix: nostras
deprecationes ne despicias in necessitatibus, sed a periculis cunctis
libera nos semper, Virgo gloriosa et benedicta.

**"Under thy protection (defence, assistance)
do we flee, o Holy Mother of God.
Despise not our supplications in difficulties,
but always deliver us from all dangers,
o glorious and blessed Virgin."**

In the Roman Rite, this is traditionally sung at Compline in the Little Office
of the Virgin Mary; in the modern Liturgy of the Hours, it may be sung
at the end of Compline.

¶ THE CONCLUDING RITE

Stand

Postcommunion Prayer

God our Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life:
may we thirst for you,
the spring of life and source of goodness,
through him 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. R̄. De-o grá-ti-as,
alle-lú-ia, alle- lú- ia.

The Recessional Hymn: 345

Christ is the King, O friends rejoice (Tune: Vulpius - Gelobt Sei Gott)

Regina Cœli

**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.**

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& MAKE YOUR WAY TO THE CRYPT FOR REFRESHMENTS. ∞

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THE KALENDAR

6th WEEK of EASTER: 10th to 16th MAY 2026

MASS & Other Service Times in church

SUN, 10th, MP 9am, **PARISH MASS 10.30am, EP 5pm**
MON, 11th, Rogation Day No Public Liturgies
TUES, 12th, Rogation Day, Ss. Nereus & Achilleus, S. Pancras
 MP 9.15am, EP 5.30pm, **Mass 6.00pm**
WEDS, 13th, Rogation Day MP 9.15am, EP 5.30pm, **Mass 6.00pm**
THURS, 14th, ASCENSION OF THE LORD
 MP 9.15am, EP 5.30pm, **Mass 6.00pm**
FRI, 15th, S. Matthias, Ap, (transf.) MP 9.15am, EP 6.00pm
SAT, 16th, of the BVM MP 9.15am, **Mass 10.00am, EP 6pm**

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

17th MAY 2026: SUNDAY OF THE ASCENSION 7th of EASTER
 MORNING PRAYER at 9.00am
PARISH MASS CHORAL at **10.30am** - Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector
 EVENING PRAYER at 5.00pm

THE NOTICES

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM) After Parish Mass, 24th May (Pentecost)

Please see **the Rector** if you would like a nomination form for the PCC or Deanery Synod.

CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL (ER)

If you are not already on the ER, and if you are baptised and have been attending S. Paul's for 6 months then you are entitled to have your name entered on the **Electoral Roll (ER)**.

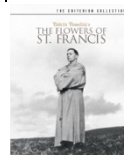
Please see the Rector or our ER Officer, Ms Linda Pan.

PCC meets on Zoom this Wednesday, 13th May at 7.30pm

Holy Confirmation at Parish Mass with Bp Rob Wickham
Asst-Bishop, CEO of the Church Urban Fund
on **Trinity Sunday, 31st May.**

For all recently baptised adults & any other adult members of the congregation who are baptised & but not yet confirmed.

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, 18th June 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 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

sent every Friday via MailChimp (GDPR compliant)