

St Paul's PCC

There will be a PCC meeting in church at 7.30pm on Monday 11th Sept. If you have any matter that you would like the committee to discuss, please speak to the Secretary, Ian Short, or any PCC member.

Harvest

Harvest Festival at St Paul's and St Michael's will be at 10am on Sunday 24th September. St Paul's will be open from 6.30 - 8pm on Friday 22nd September for the dressing of windows etc. Please put names & addresses on a list at the back of St Paul's of anyone who we should give a harvest gift to. We will also need people to help please from 9.30am on Monday 25th September to distribute the harvest produce to Rochdale Foodbank & Petrus.

St Paul's Christmas Fair

There will be a meeting in week commencing 11th September for all stall holders and others involved in the Christmas Fair on 25th November - please listen out for an announcement and attend if you possibly can as there will be a few changes this year that need to be discussed.

Cleaning St Paul's

Keeping a big building clean is a big job and many hands make lighter work so we'd be delighted if you could join us. Our team meets on the last Saturday of the month, refreshments provided, please bring marigolds and dusters and hand held hoovers if available. For more details please speak to Julia Slack.

Online Banking

Our bank details for direct donations are:

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| St Paul's | 20-72-67 | 506 706 93 |
| St Michael's | 20-72-67 | 607 141 43 |
| St James' | 20-72-67 | 607 737 37 |

You may need to add 'Parochial Church Council' or 'PCC' after the church name for your bank to find and verify the account. Thank you.

No Cash with you?

All our churches now accept contactless giving, or scan here to go to St Paul's Just Giving page. Thank you.



Vicar - Rev Jason: 01706 631 050
email: revjasoncpowell@gmail.com

Wardens

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| St Paul's | Andrew: | 01706 861 942 |
| | Jenny: | 01706 358 686 |
| St Michael's | Frances : | 01706 659 603 |
| St James | | |



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Services in September

Wednesdays 10:30am St Michael's
Holy Communion

Thursdays @7 services:

7th: St Michael's 14th: St Paul's
21st: St Michael's 28th St Paul's

Sunday 3rd 10am St Paul's
Holy Communion
10am St Michael's
Morning Praise
1pm St Michael's
Baptism
3pm St James'
Holy Communion
6.30pm Evensong

Sunday 10th 10am St Paul's
Songs of Praise for Heritage Open Day
10am St Michael's
Holy Communion
3pm St James'
Evensong
7.30pm St Michael's
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Sunday 17th 10am St Paul's
Holy Communion
10am St Michael's
Morning Praise
1pm St Paul's
Baptism
3pm St James'
Holy Communion

Sunday 24th 10am St Paul's
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10am St Michael's
Holy Communion
3pm St James'
Evensong
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Readings for September

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| Sunday | 3 | Jeremiah 15.15–21, |
| Sunday | 3 | Matthew 16.21–28 |
| Wednesday | 6 | Luke 4.38-end |
| Sunday | 10 | Ezekiel 33.7–11, |
| Sunday | 10 | Matthew 18.15–20 |
| Wednesday | 13 | Luke 6.20-26 |
| Sunday | 17 | Genesis 50.15–21, |
| Sunday | 17 | Matthew 18.21–35 |
| Wednesday | 20 | Luke 7.31-35 |
| Sunday | 24 | Jonah 3.10 – 4.11, |
| Sunday | 24 | Matthew 20.1–16 |
| Wednesday | 27 | Luke 9.1-6 |

Culture and Creativity in Norden

St Paul's will be holding a major event over the Heritage Open Days in September: A weekend of performances by local musicians and displays of crafts, photographs and memorabilia by local people. Here's the programme:

Friday 8th September 2023

2pm to 4pm - Exhibition in church open to visitors

6pm - Official Opening

7pm - Local singers 'Cadence' perform a concert

Saturday 9th September 2023

10am to 4pm - Exhibition in church open to visitors

3pm - Local History Presentation by Christopher Verey

7pm - Organ Recital by John Slack

Sunday 10th September 2023

10am to 4pm - Exhibition in church open to visitors

Including a 10am 'Songs of Praise' style service

3pm a concert to round off the event by a local brass band

We will need your help to make this a success:

✦ Please search out any photographs, artwork, craft items or other artifacts that you have - not necessarily church related - just something you really care about and think other people would enjoy too. **Please bring these to church by Sunday 3rd September, and give them to John Slack, Chris Verey or Ian Short.**

✦ Please put the dates in your diary, tell your friends and neighbours, and support the event if you possibly can.

✦ **on the day we will need help to guide visitors or provide refreshments, there are lists at the back of church where you can sign up to help**

If you want more details, please speak to John Slack, Chris Verey or Ian Short.

School Supplementary Forms

For children applying for secondary school places this autumn: – Please hand in your supplementary forms and evidence of baptism to St Michael's or St Paul's church by **Thursday 21st September** or **Sunday 24th September**.

Please submit the forms in an envelope that clearly states which church you wish to collect the forms from. The forms will be ready by Thursday 12th of October or Sunday 15th of October.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

St. Michael's Church are holding a Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 29th September from 10am until noon. If you wish to bake, please bring your creations along, but otherwise please attend and join in the conversation. All donations will be passed on to the charity. If you need more information, please contact me – Doreen Smith on 01706 347063

Confirmation

On Sunday the 22nd of October, at 2pm St Ann, Belfield will be hosting the Mission Community confirmation service. If you're between 11 and 99 years old and interested in becoming confirmed in the Christian faith please contact Rev Jason to find out more.

Pastoral Group

Part of our discipleship in a gathered community is sharing the love of Christ through pastoral work. We have a small team of dedicated people who are striving to support our three congregations.

If you would like a visit or support, please let either Jason, Jenny Short or Sue Palmer know and we will do our best to help. If you would like to join the team and help please, let us know.

September

We will be visiting the Heritage Open Day exhibition at St Paul's church on Fri 8th September at 2pm. This will be instead of our usual Tea and Cakes on Thursday 7th September.

Accessible Communion

We are planning to have a communion service in St Paul's Parish Hall on the second Thursday in the month at 2pm. The first one will be on Thursday 12th October. This will be in addition to Tea and Cakes on the first Thursday of the month. The aim is to include people who have difficulty accessing church although anyone is welcome to come along.

Diary date:

This year's Christmas lunch will be on Thurs 7th December.