

**St Paul's Church,  
Parkside**



**Sunday 9th July 2017  
Trinity 4**

**Welcome to St Paul's** If you are here for the first time, please introduce yourself to one of the people at the door before the service and join us afterwards for coffee or juice in the community centre. Children are very welcome here. If you are here with very young children and they need a break, then please make use of the toys & books in the coffee lounge. The service is relayed there so you won't miss anything – and come and go as you like. Members of **all** churches are welcome to receive communion.

<b>8:00</b>	<b>Holy Communion (CW)</b>	Nicky von Fraunhofer
<b>10:00</b>	<b>Sung Communion</b>	Nicky von Fraunhofer
<b>Hymns</b>	12, 310, 428 (omit vs 4 & 5), 437, 695.	
<b>Readings</b>	Canticle: Song of Solomon 2.8-13      Jacqueline Johnson Matthew 11.16-19, 25-30                  Amber Bonham-Carter	
<b>Intercessions</b>	David Gooderson	
<b>Offertory</b>	Caroline & Andrew	
<b>Collect</b>	Lord of heaven and earth, whose Son came eating and drinking, exposing the rivalry that tears the world apart: may we share his feast and friendship and lay our burdens in his liberating arms; through Jesus Christ, Wisdom's child. Amen.	
<b>Post Communion Prayer</b>	Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.	
<b>18:00</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	Norman Allen

**Today, Kana will accompany our singing on the piano; she'll be joined by Sam on the cello for two of the voluntaries**

**Today's music:**

Before the service: *The Camel Train* from *In a Persian Market* by A. Ketèlbey (1875-1959) arr. cello & piano  
Between readings: *To a wild rose* by E. MacDowell (1860-1908)  
After the service: *Come unto him* from *Messiah* by G. F. Handel (1685-1759) arr. cello & piano

**For your Diary:**

The next **FUSION Youth Group** meeting will be on **16th July 2017, 6-7.45pm at St Barnabas' Church**. If you have other suggestions for activities, please send us an email: [joy@redzonecommunications.com](mailto:joy@redzonecommunications.com)

The next Awkward Squad (**St Paul's men's group**) will be on Friday, 28th July from 7pm in St Paul's Community Centre. Please let Norman Allen know if you're planning to come. (8333 2461)

**Other News:**

**Sponsorship for Young People on Iona Pilgrimage** – Thank you to all who have donated and eased the burden of travel expenses for some of our young people!

**Minutes of the APCM** (provisional) and **the PCC** can be found on the notice boards.

**WANTED: Bookings secretary and "care taker" for St Paul's** – this is a voluntary position for a person who takes bookings for the church, welcomes and supports groups who are using it and arranges seating in the church for larger events (this is remunerated by the users) – must be able to handle chairs.

**FAIR TRADE STALL**

Fair trade continues to be a straightforward way we can all contribute to greater justice for some of the poorest people in the world.

**FOOD FOR THOUGHT**

Jesus was creating a stir. Everybody was talking about him and arguing about whether this young rabbi was for real or not. John hears the gossip and sends his disciples to ask Jesus "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" (Matt. 11.3) Not that long before John was the one who baptised Jesus. But now John the Baptist is confused – like everyone else. The great judgment that John had predicted had not materialized, and the message of Jesus is strikingly different.

Jesus sends back a message via John's disciples, 'Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the

**Prayer Calendar for this week**

<b>Mon</b> <b>10</b>	9:00	No Service (staff day off)	
<b>Birthdays</b>		Betty Williams	
<b>Intercessions</b>		Doradus Court, Augustus Road	
<b>Tue</b> <b>11</b>	09:00 09:25	Morning Prayer Bible Study (in the Vicarage)	
<b>Birthdays</b>			
<b>Intercessions</b>		Dunarden Court, Inner Park Road	
<b>Wed</b> <b>12</b>	9:00 10:00	Silent Morning Prayer <b>Holy Communion Service</b>	
<b>Birthdays</b>		Frances Gooderson	
<b>Intercessions</b>		Dyme's Path, Queensmere Road	
<b>Thu</b> <b>13</b>	9:00	Morning Prayer	
<b>Birthdays</b>			
<b>Intercessions</b>		East Lodge, Inner Park Road	
<b>Fri</b> <b>14</b>	9:00	Silent Morning Prayer	
<b>Birthdays</b>		Liam Warner	
<b>Intercessions</b>		Egham Close, Victoria Drive	
<b>Sat</b> <b>15</b>	9:00	Morning Prayer	
<b>Birthdays</b>		Angelle Dyges	
<b>Intercessions</b>		Elmley House, Parkside	
<b>Sun</b> <b>16</b>	08:00 10:00 10:00 18:00	<b>Holy Communion (1662)</b> <b>Mustard Seed</b> <b>Sung Communion</b> <b>No Evening Prayer</b>	Nicky von Fraunhofer  Heinz Toller Norman Allen

**In Memoriam:** Elsie Chambers, Philippa Perks

**Please pray for:** Ossie, Muru Thiru, Sue, David Peck, Phyllis, Paula, Helen, MT, Jeanne, Yvette, Andrew, RK, Lisa, Bridget, Margaret, John, Sheila Baine.

**Today we welcome** Joanna and Rosetta (Rosie) Gerrard into church as new members by baptism, and remember them and their family in our prayers.

lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me.' We don't hear how John responded. Today's Gospel brings together the contrasting styles and tones between John and Jesus.

God, we are shocked at the inclusiveness of your Love.  
Forgive our narrowness and prejudice.  
Heal those hurts which have left a legacy of fear  
And hamper our capacity to trust.  
Open our hearts to your love  
That accepting your kind yoke  
We may find in the struggles and difficulties of life  
The joy and rest which you promise.  
Amen.

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**Our Parish website**  
<http://www.stpaulswimbletonpark.org.uk>  
You can access the site directly by scanning the code on the left with your smartphone.

Pew sheet contributions **by Wednesday 6pm** to:  
[tamwilson01@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:tamwilson01@yahoo.co.uk)

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**A GOOD READ**

Once upon a time our society was rich in stories. They united us and helped us to understand the world and ourselves. We called them myths. Today, we have a myth gap.  
Does that matter? Alex Evans argues powerfully and persuasively that it does. In this time of global crisis and transition– mass migration, inequality, resource scarcity, and climate change – it is only by finding new myths, those that speak to us of renewal and restoration, that we will navigate our way to a better future. It is stories, rather than facts and pie-charts, that have the power to animate us and bring us together to change the world.  
**The Myth Gap, What Happens When Evidence and Arguments Aren't Enough** by **Alex Evans**, Penguin 2017.