



Sunday 19 July 2026
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Solemn Mass 11.00am

Coming up this week

Monday 20 July	Feria <i>Mass at St Bartholomew's 9.30am</i>
Tuesday 21 July	Feria <i>Mass at St Bartholomew's 6.00pm</i>
Wednesday 22 July	ST MARY MAGDALENE Church open 11.00am-2.00pm Mass 11.30am
Thursday 23 July	ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN, religious & patron of Europe <i>Mass at St Bartholomew's 12 noon</i>
Friday 24 July	Feria Church open 11.00am-2.00pm Mass 11.30am
Saturday 25 July	ST JAMES, apostle Church open 11.00am-2.00pm Mass 11.30am
Sunday 26 July	SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Solemn Mass 11.00am <i>1 Kings 3:5-6a, 7-12; Psalm 119;</i> <i>Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 13:44-52</i>

Welcome to **St Paul's Church**, a parish in the Diocese of Chichester and affiliated to The Society under the patronage of St Wilfrid and St Hilda.

Today's Mass setting is *Missa Brevis in C "Spatzenmesse"* by Mozart.

The Mass is offered daily across our parish and our sister parish of St Bartholomew's, Ann Street. Confessions can be heard after any Mass. For enquiries about baptism, marriage or funerals, please contact the Parish Office in the first instance.

We rely on the generosity of those who come here to sustain our life. Please do give so that this may continue to be a place where the love of God is known and shared.

- You can make a donation using the collection plate during the Mass. If you pay Income Tax, please do fill out a yellow Gift Aid envelope for your donation, which enables us to increase the value of your donation by 25% without costing you anything.
- You can leave a donation in the box in the narthex.
- You can use the contactless machine in the narthex.
- You can scan the QR code to make your donation:
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Please do take this booklet away with you to keep up-to-date with all that is happening here. Our fellowship continues after Mass with refreshments served in the Fishermen's Vestry.

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¶ *Before the Mass, we keep a prayerful atmosphere in church. We stand when the bell is rung.*

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

HYMN: NEH 239

**LORD of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy.
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.**

**2. Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.**

**3. Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.**

**4. Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.**

The Entrance Antiphon is sung by the choir.

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.

PENITENTIAL ACT

The Priest welcomes the faithful to the Mass, invites them to the Penitential Act and blesses the water as we recall our baptism.

During the sprinkling the Asperges me is sung:

Thou shalt purge me,
O Lord, with hyssop and I shall be clean.
Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Have mercy upon me, O God:

After thy great goodness.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.**

Thou shalt purge me, O Lord...

The absolution by the Priest follows:

May almighty God cleanse us of our sins,
and through the celebration of this Eucharist
make us worthy to share at the table of his Kingdom.

Amen.

Lord, have mercy;

Christ, have mercy;

Lord, have mercy.

THE GLORIA

¶ *We sit after the opening phrase has been sung.*

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.*

*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.*

*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.*

¶ *We stand to pray.*

THE COLLECT

We respond to the prayer:

Amen.

¶ *We sit to listen to the Scriptures.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

At the end of the readings:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 86

We make the response to the Psalm:

O Lord, you are good and forgiving.

SECOND READING: Romans 8:26-27

¶ *We stand to hear Christ speak to us in the Gospel. The cantor sings and all repeat:*

Alleluia, Alleluia

The cantor sings a verse from scripture. Then all sing:

Alleluia

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 13:24-43

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

✠ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

After the Gospel:

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

¶ *We sit to listen to the Priest expound the Scriptures.*

THE HOMILY

¶ *We stand to profess together the faith of all Christians.*

THE CREED

**I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father, before all worlds:**

God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God.

**Begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made.**

Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven:

(we bow our heads for the next two lines as we recall God becoming man in Christ)

**and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost, of the Virgin Mary
and was made man.**

**And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried.**

**And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures;
and ascended into Heaven and sitteth at the right hand of the Father.**

**And he shall come again with glory
to judge both the quick and the dead,
whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and giver of life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified,
who spake by the prophets.**

And I believe one holy, catholic and apostolic church.

I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.

**And I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

One of the following responses is used as we pray with the whole People of God:

Lord, in your mercy. or: Lord, hear us.

hear our prayer. Lord, graciously hear us.

We are invited to ask for the prayers of the Saints, most chiefly for those of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

**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.**

We respond to the concluding prayer:

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

A collection is taken during the hymn as the Altar is prepared. Other ways of making your offering, including by using our contactless machine, are listed at the front of this booklet.

HYMN: NEH 295

**LET all mortal flesh keep silence,
And with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly-minded,
For with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
Our full homage to demand.**

2. King of kings, yet born of Mary,
As of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
In the body and the blood
He will give to all the faithful
His own self for heavenly food.

3. Rank on rank the host of heaven
Spreads its vanguard on the way,
As the Light of Light descendeth
From the realms of endless day,
That the powers of hell may vanish
As the darkness clears away.

4. At his feet the six-winged seraph;
Cherubim with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the Presence,
As with ceaseless voice they cry,
'Alleluya, Alleluya,
Alleluya, Lord Most High!'

The Priest invites us to join with him in offering anew the sacrifice of Christ to the Father:

Pray, brothers and sisters, 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 holy Church.**

We respond to the Prayer over the Offerings:

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.

The Priest praises God for his mighty acts and then the Sanctus & Benedictus are sung:

*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.*

¶ *We kneel as the Priest begins the Eucharistic Prayer, the great prayer of the Church's thanksgiving.*

After the words of consecration, we make the acclamation:

The mystery of faith:

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection until you come again.**

We respond to the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer:

Amen.

¶ *We stand to pray as taught by Christ, who is now truly present on the Altar.*

THE COMMUNION RITE

**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.**

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,
we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever.**

Lord Jesus Christ, who 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 graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.

Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

During the Fraction the Agnus Dei is sung:

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

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

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

¶ *We kneel as the Priest shows us Christ in the Blessed Sacrament.*

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

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

Anyone who is baptised and receives Holy Communion in their home church may receive Communion here. Please come forward to the Altar rail to receive the Sacrament in one or both kinds. A full Communion is made as soon as we have received the Lord present in the Sacred Host. If receiving from the Chalice, please note that it is not permitted to intinct the Host into the Precious Blood. If you seek a blessing from the Priest, do bring this booklet with you as a sign to him of your intention.

During Communion, the Communion Antiphon is sung.

¶ *We stand to pray with thanksgiving.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We respond to the prayer:

Amen.

Notices may be given.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

We respond to each bidding, making the Sign of the Cross as we are blessed:
Amen.

We respond to the words of the Dismissal as we are sent out to be the Body of Christ in the world:
Thanks be to God.

THE ANGELUS

The Angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary.
And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

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.

Let us pray.

Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, 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 may we be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord.
Amen.

HYMN: NEH 490

**JUDGE eternal, throned in splendour,
Lord of lords and King of kings,
With thy living fire of judgement
Purge this realm of bitter things:
Solace all its wide dominion
With the healing of thy wings.**

2. Still the weary folk are pining
For the hour that brings release:
And the city's crowded clangour
Cries aloud for sin to cease;
And the homesteads and the
woodlands
Plead in silence for their peace.

3. Crown, O God, thine own
endeavour;
Cleave our darkness with thy sword;
Feed the faithless and the hungry
With the richness of thy word;
Cleanse the body of this nation
Through the glory of the Lord.

FOR OUR PRAYERS

SICK: Mary Borg

LONG-TERM SICK: Sophie Layard, Steve Gregory, Matthew Charlesworth, Joseph Garcia, Sheila Garcia, Yvonne Harman, Barbara Cundell, Rihanna Gibson, Marc Jarrold, Carol Milton, Rols Ham-Riche, John Cole, Wendy Spall, Mary Richards-Davies, Meg Knight, Fr Steven Foster, Manuel Imbroll, Evan Mizzi

RECENTLY DEPARTED:

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH:

- 19 Lucy Mary Jackson
- 20 George Henry James, Mary Bryon
- 23 Fanny Presland, Florence Evelyn Matthews, Caroline Frances Morant-Gale
- 24 Lillian Rebata Ramsden
- 25 Arthur Dix

Names for inclusion here and in our prayers at Mass should be sent to the Parish Office.

INTENTIONS AT MASS

SUNDAY: The people of our parish

MONDAY: The King

TUESDAY: Bishop Will

WEDNESDAY: The strengthening of our
faith

THURSDAY: The sick

FRIDAY: Musicians

SATURDAY: All undertaking or preparing
for pilgrimages

NOTICES

Thank you

We can announce that our recent Gift Day raised an incredible £2,410 for church funds. In addition, £334 was raised through the Gift Aid that we can claim from HM Treasury on those donations that were eligible. Many thanks to all who donated in support of our life here. Please do continue to keep your pattern of financial giving under prayerful review as we progress with the much-needed work of restoration of this house of God, and if you didn't get round to contributing to this year's Gift Day, it isn't too late to give a donation to a Churchwarden.

Praying the Holy Rosary

We meet again at 6pm tomorrow at St Bart's to pray together the Glorious Mysteries. All are welcome.

Walsingham Pilgrimage

At the end of this month, several pilgrims from our parish as well as from St Bart's and some of our sister parishes will be heading back to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham in Norfolk. If you would like any prayers to be offered by us whilst we are in England's Nazareth, please do let Victor have them before Sunday 26 July.

For those that are going on the Pilgrimage, please collect the Pilgrimage schedule from Victor.

Church watchers

We are incredibly blessed here at St Paul's to be able to have our church building open for several hours each Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. This is only possible thanks to the selflessness of our team of church watchers, two of whom are always on duty when the building is open to the public. It would be good to expand this team, and so if you might be able to give some of your time to the very worthwhile cause of enabling more people to experience the beauty of holiness here, please have a word with Victor. Even if you feel you can only give time on an irregular basis, perhaps to cover one of our existing team being on holiday, your contribution would be much appreciated.