

ST PAUL'S ST MARY'S

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The Anglican Churches of St Paul's and St Mary's Harlow

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Welcome Sheet

30th August 2026

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

A Message from Barbara

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Very soon our young people will be returning to schools and colleges for a new academic year. Our prayer is that they will be starting or continuing their education with the enthusiasm and determination to make the most of all the opportunities that are offered to them.

What about those of us who are older, and have left formal education far behind us? Human beings have the capacity to continue learning (all things being equal) until we die. People who do not do this never develop new ideas or learn new skills. Professionals and crafts people are constantly updating their knowledge to serve others and stay competitive.

Why not learn something new in this academic year? You do not have to spend a lot of money on formal classes. Our public libraries are open to all, and their staff can help you choose books on your chosen topic. Nor do you have to choose a subject that leads to exams. Learning a skill or craft can be just as satisfying and useful. You may even make new friends who share your interests and help you to grow your abilities and your social circle.

I pray that you will come closer to God and each other as you learn.

With love,

Barbara.

Services for this Week

Sunday 30th August 2026

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

St Mary's 9.30am Informal Worship

St Paul's 11.00am Informal Worship

11.00am "Sunday Live" - St Paul's live streamed on YouTube. [Join us on YouTube by clicking here.](#)

Regular Events

SPYK (St Paul's Youth & Kids) In term times, weekly except 1st Sundays in the month. **This has now stopped for the Summer and will start again on 13th September .**

Foodbank and Bounty Club with Foodbank Hub
Both 10am-2pm Monday – Fridays in The Harvey Centre

The Sanctuary Cafe - St Paul's Church
11am-1pm Fridays - for fellowship and prayer

WhatsApp Group

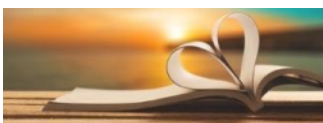
St Paul's & St Mary's Community

For sharing news & info about activities, events & needs in church life. [Join here](#) or ask Jokey

Home Communion

For any unable to get to church due to sickness. Please contact Tracy or Jokey.

Our Text for 2026



Be kind and tender-hearted to one another, and forgive one another, as God has forgiven you through Christ.

Ephesians 4:32 Good news

Praying Together

Tues & Wed 9am Parish Prayers on [Zoom](#)
new link - ID 81685472781 Passcode 976753

Thursday: Heart4Harlow Prayer 4 Harlow on [Zoom](#)



WhatsApp Prayer Group – contact Rev Jokey Poyntz 07954855154. Our monthly prayer diary is at the back of church & via email - contact the

parish office.

Those in special need: Wendy Coxhill, Grace Munday, Mike Scanlan, Kath Shaw, Philip & Carol Haynes, Payam Hossyni, Barbara Fuller, Janet Broomhead, Jenny Irving, Dorothy Taylor, Saba Mall, Pat Balkwill, Terry Cable, Mike Squires.

Please pray for all our church family Asylum seekers awaiting court hearings for their right to stay here.

Our Home Communion team and those they visit.

The people of all areas affected by war, violence, famine and natural disasters, especially remembering those in Nepal and other areas affected by flash flooding and earthquakes in the Summer.

The Foodbank & Bounty Club, School Uniform Shop operating from the Harvey Centre and those who use their services.

The appointment of a new Team Rector -and all that are working towards this end.

Please pray for the children and young people and teachers returning to the classroom this week.

Special Prayer for this week

Almighty God,

who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Vacancy Prayer

Loving Father

We know you have plans for our Parish, please send your Holy Spirit to strengthen and guide all those involved in the process of appointing a new Team Rector. May they discern your way for our future. We also pray for those who apply as the next step in their ministry.

Most of all we ask that the person is the one chosen by you to lead your church.

In Jesus name we pray, Amen

Church Offerings

You can use this QR code to make a donation by payment card or Google Pay:



To give by online banking please use:

Sort code: 60-10-05

Account: 60517018

Account Name: PCC St Pauls & St Marys Harlow

Reference: OFFERING

You can also make a donation using the contactless payment device at the back of St. Paul's.

If you give regularly why not set up a Standing Order? Please speak to our Treasurer Peter Smith, or one of the clergy, or pick up a leaflet at the back of the church.

****Fire Assembly Point****

We would like to point out that while building works go on around us, our fire assembly point in College Square by Dad's Wood is not available to us. Therefore for the time being we will assemble behind the church hall by the old BHS site. Any further alterations on this will be communicated as they happen. Please be careful while you are in the vicinity of the church as the work proceeds.

Ramp

If you require the ramp to receive Communion please ask the stewards to put it up.

Other News

Harvest

Harvest at St Paul's will be celebrated on 6th September and on 13th September at St Marys. Both collections will go to the Food Bank. A reminder of things they currently are in urgent need of:

Tinned Meat , Packet Mash Potato, Sponge Puddings, Hot Chocolate, Teabags - max 240 size, Sugar **They have plenty of beans and pasta**

Baby wipes, nappies and food - **no Formula**

All items of toiletries and hygiene products , Laundry powder, Laundry Liquid, Washing up Liquid.

Heritage Open Day and Ride & Stride Day

This is happening on 12th September at both churches. St Pauls will be open from 10am to 11am for the Ride and Stride people to stop and come in.

St Mary's will be open for The Heritage Day and Ride and Stride drop in from 10am to 3pm. We would be very grateful to receive offers of help with this event.

IMPORTANT

For safeguarding reasons, please do not video or take photographs during services unless agreed with the service leader or clergy beforehand.

Children's Area at St Paul's

There is now an area at the back of St Paul's for young children under 5 to access - this must be supervised by a parent/carer. **PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR CHILDREN HERE UNATTENDED** and please tidy up after use.

Safeguarding

The care and protection of church children, young people and adults involved in Church activities is the responsibility of everyone who participates in the life of the Church. If you are concerned that someone you know is at risk of, or is being abused, or presents a risk to others, please seek advice from a Safeguarding Adviser or if necessary report the matter to the Local Authority Social Care Services or the Police without delay.

In the church we have a Safeguarding Officer and an Assistant Safeguarding Officer for you to contact as first port of call. Our Safeguarding Officer is Austin Sobanam
Contact :07909975475

psa@stpaulsandstmarysharlow.co.uk

and our Assistant Safeguarding Officer is Vanessa Phinehas

Contact: 07812948677

vanessaphinehas@gmail.com

In the absence of a PSO, people with safeguarding concerns should initially contact Jokey as incumbent or Carol as warden with any concerns. If you don't wish to do that, then contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team, the phone number and email **01245 294444**

safeguarding@chelmsford.anglican.org