



## The Parish of St. Martin & St. Paul Canterbury

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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### Today

**9.00am Sung Eucharist at St Martin's**

**Celebrant & Address: Reverend Diane Fawcett**

**Hymns: 362, 244, 241**

**Organist: Christopher Gower**

**10.30am Sung Festal Eucharist with SundayZone at St Paul's**

**Celebrant & Address: Canon David Roper**

**Hymns: 313, 30, 318 (omit v5&6), 315**

**Organist: David Rees-Williams**

**3.30pm TeaTime Family Service at St Paul's**

### Parish prayers:

We pray for Caroline, Lizzy, Ann, Sophie, Harriet, Susan, Joyce, Tony, Judy, Kevin, and Nicola. We remember the family and friends of Arthur Wallis, who has died. We remember the memorial anniversaries of Melvin Pinnock and Nancy Burroughs.

### Parish contacts:

**Rector:** *We are currently in a vacancy. Please contact the Wardens via the office.*

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or on the website at [www.martinpaul.org/prayers](http://www.martinpaul.org/prayers).

**The Collect:** Almighty God, who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary and chose her to be the mother of your only Son: grant that we who are redeemed by his blood may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom; 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.**

**First Lesson: Isaiah 61. 10-end**

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalms 45. 10-end**

<sup>10</sup> Kings' daughters were among thy honourable women: upon thy right hand did stand the queen in a vesture of gold, wrought about with divers colours. <sup>11</sup> Harken, O daughter, and consider, incline thine ear; forget also thine own people, and thy father's house. <sup>12</sup> So shall the King have pleasure in thy beauty: for he is thy Lord God, and worship thou him. <sup>13</sup> And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift: like as the rich also among the people shall make their supplication before thee. <sup>14</sup> The King's daughter is all glorious within: her clothing is of wrought gold. <sup>15</sup> She shall be brought unto the King in raiment of needle-work: the virgins that be her fellows shall bear her company, and shall be brought unto thee. <sup>16</sup> With joy and gladness shall they be brought: and shall enter into the King's palace. <sup>17</sup> Instead of thy fathers thou shalt have children: whom thou mayest make princes in all lands. <sup>18</sup> I will remember thy Name from one generation to another: therefore shall the people give thanks unto thee, world without end. **(We stand for the Gloria): 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.**

**Second Lesson: Galatians 4.4-7**

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' <sup>7</sup> So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel: Luke 1.46-55**

*Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord. Alleluia*

<sup>46</sup> And Mary said, 'My soul magnifies the Lord, <sup>47</sup> and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, <sup>48</sup> for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; <sup>49</sup> for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. <sup>50</sup> His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. <sup>51</sup> He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. <sup>52</sup> He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; <sup>53</sup> he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. <sup>54</sup> He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, <sup>55</sup> according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

**Post Communion Collect:** God most high, whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh: we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption you visit us with your Holy Spirit and overshadow us by your power; strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Anthem:** The choir will sing a setting of the *Magnificat* (Luke 1: 46-55). Music by Stanford, in B flat.

### **Notices:**

**The Funeral** of Arthur Wallis will be on the 26<sup>th</sup> September at 12noon at St Martin's. The normal Thursday prayers will be cancelled that day.

**Ride and Stride:** Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September. Ride & Stride is an opportunity to raise money for Kent's churches by cycling/walking or being a welcomer in church. Visit a number of churches of your choice however you choose, forms for riding/striding and for sponsoring are at the back of church.

**Books Needed:** With the bookshelves at the back of St. Paul's now cleared, we warmly welcome donations of fiction books. To keep the area tidy and attractive, we kindly ask only for editions printed since 2000, even if the novel itself was first published much earlier. We hope these books will be enjoyed by our church, visitors, and the local community whilst also helping to raise parish funds. Thank you for your generosity!

**Week of Accompanied Prayer:** 5<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> October at the Cathedral. Includes a daily afternoon slot with a prayer guide/accompanier for 30 mins. Be in touch with

Jennifer on 764645, catch her after Church or at home for more details and lots of encouragement!

**Evensong and Supper:** Did you know that there is a feast day in September dedicated to the Holy Cross? Well, we are keeping the feast in this month's Choral Evensong and Supper. The excellent and energetic Revd Wendy Dalrymple from the Cathedral is our guest preacher to tell us more along with suitable music and seasonal food to be enjoyed afterwards! Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September, 5pm.

**Diocesan House Car Park:** There are currently building works to the side of the building requiring scaffolding across the driveway. The car park is still accessible and wide enough for vehicles to pass through carefully.

## DIARY

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> :	5.30pm Cathedral Evensong 7.30pm PCC Meeting at the Parish Centre
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> :	9.15am Morning Prayer at St Paul's
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> :	10:30am Prayer Book Eucharist and Coffee at St Paul's
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> :	12Noon Midday Prayers at St Martin's
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> :	9.15am Morning Prayer at St Paul's 7.30pm Choir Practice at St Paul's
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am MU Corporate Communion at St Paul's 10am – 4pm Ride and Stride Saturday (both churches)
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> :	<b><i>Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity</i></b> 9:00am Said Eucharist at St Martin's 10:30am Sung Eucharist with SundayZone at St Paul's 5pm: Choral Evensong and Supper at St Paul's