



THE PARISH OF CHINGFORD

SS PETER AND PAUL WITH ALL SAINTS'

PEWS NEWS

for Sunday 27th September 2026

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity



The Collect

Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they
find their rest in you:
pour your love into our hearts and
draw us to yourself,
and so bring us at last to your
heavenly city
where we shall see you face to face;
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

Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ
our Lord.

Amen

The Post Communion Prayer

Lord, we pray that your grace
may always precede and follow us,
and make us continually to be given to all good works;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

8.00 am	Holy Eucharist at Ss Peter & Paul's church
10.00 am	Holy Eucharist at All Saints Church
Servers	
Processional hymn	442
OT Reading	Ezekiel 18. 1-4, 25-end Read by Jan Hawkins
NT Reading	Philippians 2. 1-13 Read by Joyce Appiah
Gradual hymn	204
Gospel	Matthew 21. 23-32
Sermon	<i>Canon Rodney Matthews</i>
Intercessions	led by <i>Sue Renwick</i>
Hymn	372
	<i>(the collection will be taken during this hymn)</i>
Communion hymn	Jesus, be the centre – Purple Praise CD
Final Hymn	Be thou my vision - 56
10.00 am	Holy Eucharist at Ss Peter & Paul's church
Servers	Sue, Cynthia and Keith
Setting	<i>Harris in F</i>
Processional hymn	440
OT Reading	Ezekiel 18. 1-4, 25-end Read by Fred Wall
NT Reading	Philippians 2. 1-13 Read by Sue Wall
Gospel	Matthew 21. 23-32
Sermon	<i>The Rector</i>
Intercessions	led by Richard Vincent
Offertory	413
	<i>(the collection will be taken during this hymn)</i>
Communion	Inspired by love and anger Come down, O love divine - <i>Harris</i>
Final Hymn	Flourish for an occasion - <i>Harris</i>
6.30 pm	Evensong at Ss Peter & Paul's church
	Preacher: <i>Mrs Diana Kennedy</i>
	Responses: <i>Trendell</i>
	Canticles: <i>Sumsion in G</i>
	Anthem: <i>Faire is the heaven - Harris</i>
	Organ music: Chorale prelude on "'Croft's 136 th " - <i>Parry</i>

Faire is the heaven – William Harris

Faire is the heaven where happy soules have place
 In full enjoyment of felicitie;
 Whence they do still behold the glorious face
 Of the Divine, Eternall Majestie;
 Yet farre more faire be those bright Cherubins
 Which all with golden wings are
 oversight. And those eternall burning Seraphins
 Which from their faces dart out
 fiery light;

Yet fairer than they both and much more bright Be the Angels and Archangels
Which attend on God's owne person without rest or end. These then in faire
each other farre excelling As to the Highest they approach more neare, Yet is
that Highest farre beyond all telling

Fairer than all the rest which there appeare Though all their beauties joynd
together were; How then can mortal tongue hope to expresse The image of
such endlesse perfectnesse?

Today's Readings for the Eucharist

Ezekiel 18. 1-4, 25-end

The word of the Lord came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, 'The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge'? As I live, says the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

Yet you say, 'The way of the Lord is unfair.' Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, 'The way of the Lord is unfair.' O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

Therefore, I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise, iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Ime and or I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

Psalms 25. 1-8

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;

O my God, in you I trust; ♦

let me not be put to shame;

let not my enemies triumph over me.

Let none who look to you be put to shame, ♦

but let the treacherous be shamed and frustrated.

Make me to know your ways, O Lord, ♦

and teach me your paths.
Lead me in your truth and teach me, ♦
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you have I hoped all the day long.
Remember, Lord, your compassion and love, ♦
for they are from everlasting.
Remember not the sins of my youth
or my transgressions, ♦
but think on me in your goodness, O Lord,
according to your steadfast love.
Gracious and upright is the Lord; ♦
therefore shall he teach sinners in the way.
He will guide the humble in doing right ♦
and teach his way to the lowly.

Philippians 2. 1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Matthew 21. 23-32

When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?' Jesus said to them, 'I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' And they argued with one another, 'If we say, "From heaven", he will say to us, "Why then did you not believe him?" But if we say, "Of human origin", we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.' So they answered Jesus, 'We do not know.' And he said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

'What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not"; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, "I go, sir"; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?' They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

This week in the Parish Diary

Morning Prayer is usually said (but subject to change at short notice) at:

8.30am Monday *in the Parish church*

9.00am Tuesday, Thursday and Friday *in the Parish Church* and

Holy Eucharist will be celebrated:

10.00am on Wednesdays *at All Saints'*

10.00am on Thursdays *at Ss Peter & Paul's Church, on the first Thursday of the month only.*

Wednesday 30th September

10.00 am Holy Eucharist *at All Saints Church*

10.45 am Coffee and Bible Study *at All Saints Church Hall*

Thursday 1st October

10.00am Holy Eucharist *at Ss Peter & Paul's Church*

10.15am Funeral of Doreen Sutliff *at All Saints Church*

Sunday 4th October Thanksgiving Harvest

Readings: Deuteronomy 8.7-18; Psalm 65: 2 Corinthians 9.6-end; Luke 12.16-30

8.00 am Holy Eucharist *at Ss Peter & Paul's church*

10.00 am All Age Eucharist *at All Saints Church*

Preacher: *Canon Rodney Matthews*

Hymns: 534, 40, 241, PP CD 126, 206

10.00 am AIM Eucharist *at Ss Peter & Paul's church*

Preacher: *The Rector*

Setting: *Inwood Gathering Mass*

Communion: 264

Hymns: 259, 264, 262.

6.30 pm Evensong *at Ss Peter & Paul's church*

Preacher: *Rev'd Elizabeth Price*

Responses: *Jackson*

Canticles: *Bairstow in D*

Anthem: *Thou visitest the earth - Greens*

Organ music: *Toccata & Fugue in F, Bux 157 - Buxtehude*

For Your Devotions this Week

Monday	Acts 21. 37-22. 21
Tuesday	Acts 22. 22-23. 1-11
Wednesday	Acts 23. 12-end
Thursday	Acts 24. 1-23
Friday	Acts 24. 24-25.12
Saturday	Acts 25. 13-end

Please pray for:

Jill Bell, Tom Raven, Alison Goulter, Enid Day, Linda Lines, Claire Coan, Chris White, Geraldine Cleveland, Derek Boulind, Alice Melemendjian, Bruno, Ewa, Elisabeth Abbott, Jo Huber, Clare Daniel, Rosie Grove (11 yrs), Alex Wall, Grace Morl, Nicola Giles, Brenda Barker, Joyce Hilton.

We also pray for those who have died:

Rose Marie Rowe, Janet Wright, Doreen Sutliff

Year's mind this week:

Peter Hill, Winifred Hinds, Ethel Morris, Jim Fox, Ruby Golden, Jean Phillips, Margaret Edsall, Dolly Jordan, Ernest Russell, Albert Manakee.



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Curiosity Sunday – Sunday 27 September at the Parish Church will be ‘Curiosity Sunday.’ It’s an opportunity to invite friends and neighbors to come and see what church is about. There will be printed invitation cards available in both churches for us to give to those we’d like to invite.

Thursday Eucharist at the Parish Church – From October onwards, the midweek Eucharist at the Parish Church will be held on the first Thursday of the month only.

Places available on a coach trip to Chelmsford, Saturday October 17th

Come and enjoy an afternoon’s shopping in Chelmsford city centre, ending with 5.15pm Choral Evensong at the cathedral, sung by Chingford Parish Church Choir. Coach leaves the Parish Church 12.00, returning by about 7.15. Adults £10. Children free.

Anyone welcome. Limited seats available – email
music@parishofchingford.org.uk or phone 020 8529 6092.

Quiz on Saturday 3rd October - Doors at 6.30pm and starts at 7pm - Ss Peter and Paul Church Hall

After the last few year's successful quiz nights where we raised in total nearly £3000 for the children's choirs, we are arranging another quiz night! All profits raised from this quiz night will be for the boys and girls choir bursary.

Tickets are £18 each including a choice of three suppers from Sam's. If you would like to book a table (up to 8 people) please message Debbie on chingfordquiz@gmail.com. Tickets are selling so please message to secure your table. There will be prizes for the winning team!

There will also be amazing raffle prizes to be won on the night!

Harvest Festival at St Peter & St Pauls church. Dear Friends, we are celebrating our Harvest Festival on the 4th October this year, and we'll be having a bring and share lunch at the Parish Church after the 10.00am service. Please could you sign up to the contributions list which will be at the back of each church in a couple of weeks, if you feel you can do so. All contributions are gratefully received! Please do join us for the meal after the service, all are welcome, old and young, it's going to be very informal! Many thanks, Claire C

Tickets for the 43rd GRAND CHRISTMAS CONCERT on Saturday December 19th are available now. Gallery and front half of church sold

out. There are still seats available in the rear half of church or Lady Chapel - £25.50 (concessions £23.50); Under 18s £12.
Email music@parishofchingford.org.uk or phone 020 8529 6092.

Confirmation – A Deanery Confirmation Service will be held here in Chingford – at the Parish Church of Saints Peter and Paul – at 4pm on Sunday 31 January 2027. Please speak to the Rector if you're interested in being confirmed. Preparation sessions will begin later in the year.

Eco Church News. This month the Church is celebrating Creation in Christ which reminds us of God's wonderful work in creating our world and of our responsibility as stewards of this world. There are lots of tools on the web to help you check how you are doing in your stewardship role. To measure your carbon footprint go to <https://climatestewards.org/contribute/>. You can also measure how you are doing in your lifestyle at <https://creationcare.org.uk/members/>.

200 Club Renewal - The renewal forms to current members of the 200 Club (the churches monthly lottery) will be sent out next week. Please rejoin if you can. If you wish to join it runs from November 2026 to October 2027 and 3 numbers are drawn each month. The prizes vary depending on the number of people who join each year, and you can have as many numbers as you like. Forms are available from Kirsty Shaw (not the one in the office) via email starbug1000@gmail.com. I can also drop a printed one to you if preferred. Half the money raised goes to the churches and half is given out in prizes.

Sermons Online – Audio recordings of the Rector's sermons are available on the parish website on <https://parishofchingford.org.uk/all-sermons/>

Do you enjoy doing a spot of Gardening?

Do you enjoy meeting new people?
Here at the Old Church, we are always on The Look Out for new people to come and join us with our Gardening Group on the first Saturday of every month from 9am to 2pm (or any time you can give) which will always be appreciated and you'll be made Very Welcome by everyone. There is always plenty to do with keeping the church yard looking Beautiful and well loved and cared for. Everything you'll need is provided including Refreshments. Why not Come and Join us and enjoy some Gardening using your existing skills or learning new ones.

Choral Evensong. We are setting up a rota for stewarding at the service. In addition to welcoming and handing out books (like the 10:00 stewards), the

task would also include lighting and extinguishing the altar and lectern candles and ensuring the sound system is switched on and off. It does not necessarily involve reading a lesson! You would need to arrive by 18:10. The service is usually over by about 19:25. If you would like to participate in the rota (and thus enjoy the service as well!), please contact Richard Vincent.

There will again be places for choristers to join us in the autumn. We welcome boys and girls aged about 7 or over who can read well and who will enjoy the challenge of learning to sing well and read music. We invite anyone who may be interested to come to some practices, try it out and see how they get on. Contact the Director of Music: Michael Emerson mike@parishofchingford.org.uk 020 8529 6092 and see our video on the website: <https://parishofchingford.org.uk/music/sing-with-us/>

The Old Church social Club. We meet on the 1st and the 3rd Thursday' of each month in the Hall from 1pm until 3pm. The cost of this is only £3 including refreshments. A raffle is also held and there is also entertainment which may include a speaker or a singer or a quiz or Bingo. We are a friendly mixed group of people who love getting together for an afternoon of fun.

New members are also welcome to join us so why not come along and have a good time, make friends and you may even see people you already know.

Contact Karon Fordham on 07956 236 517 if you require any further information.

Honorary Associate Priest

The Parish of Chingford: Ss Peter and Paul with All Saints'

We are seeking a prayerful and collaborative colleague, with a lively and generous faith, to serve as Associate Priest (self supporting) and share in ministry across this large and growing parish with a particular focus on the congregation at All Saints' Chingford.

Working alongside the incumbent, we seek someone who will:

- Lead and preach on Sundays and at mid-week services
- Share in pastoral care, including occasional offices
- Support and encourage lay ministry and volunteer teams
- Play a part in developing mission, discipleship and community engagement
- Work closely within a supportive ministry team and deanery context

We can offer:

- A vibrant parish with active, friendly and musical congregations
- Strong practical and prayerful support from the incumbent, the ministry team, churchwardens and lay leaders
- A well-established pattern of worship rooted in the Anglican liturgical tradition
- A commitment to meet expenses of office in full
- A parish office with administrative support

Closing Date: 20 October 2026.

Interviews: 1 December 2026.

We would like the Honorary Associate Priest to offer the equivalent of two days per week, plus Sundays, to the role. For an application pack and Parish Profile, or to arrange an informal conversation about this opportunity, please contact The Rev Darren McCallig by email rector@parishofchingford.org.uk or telephone 020 8529 1291.

Appointment subject to a satisfactory enhanced DBS disclosure.

Supporting the work of Chingford Parish



It is now possible to support the work and ministry of Chingford Parish by electronic giving, through the "Give A Little" Scheme. Visit this website or use this QR code:

<https://bit.ly/ChingfordGiving>

Parish Contacts

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Safeguarding

The Parish of Chingford is wholly committed to the House of Bishops Safeguarding Policy for children, young people & adults. 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 our Parish Safeguarding Officer, Teresa Law, who can be contacted on 07821 838598 or via safeguarding@parishofchingford.org.uk.