



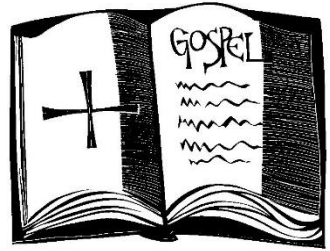
THE PARISH OF CHINGFORD

SS PETER AND PAUL WITH ALL SAINTS'

PEWS NEWS

for Sunday 25th October 2026

Bible Sunday



The Collect

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be
written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly
digest them that, through patience,
and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold
fast the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our
Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Merciful God,
teach us to be faithful in change and
uncertainty,
that trusting in your word
and obeying your will
we may enter the unfailing joy of
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

The Post Communion Prayer

God of all grace,
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry
with the bread of his life
and the word of his kingdom:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your true and living bread;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen

8.00 am	Holy Eucharist at Ss Peter & Paul's church
10.00 am	Holy Eucharist at All Saints Church
Servers	
Processional hymn	532
OT Reading	Nehemiah 8. 1-4a, 5-6, 8-12 Read by Chi Aneke
NT Reading	Colossians 3. 12-17 Read by Michelle George
Gradual hymn	421
Gospel	Matthew 24. 30-35
Sermon	<i>Canon Rodney Matthews</i>
Intercessions	led by <i>Jan Hawkins</i>
Hymn	503 <i>(the collection will be taken during this hymn)</i>
Communion hymn	My Desire – PP CD
Final Hymn	Crown him with many crowns – 103a

10.00 am	Holy Eucharist at Ss Peter & Paul's church
Servers	Sue, Ian C and Jenny
Setting	<i>Darke in A</i>
Processional hymn	407
OT Reading	Nehemiah 8. 1-6, 8-12 Read by Sue Wall
NT Reading	Colossians 3. 12-17 Read by Judy Hill
Gospel	Matthew 24. 30-35
Sermon	<i>Rev'd Elizabeth Price</i>
Intercessions	led by Chizitera Orisakwe
Offertory	336 <i>(the collection will be taken during this hymn)</i>
Communion	280 omit v2
Final Hymn	272
Organ Music	Pomp and Circumstance March no. 4 – <i>Elgar</i>
6.30 pm	Evensong at Ss Peter & Paul's church
	Preacher: Rev'd Tim Scott
	Responses: <i>Sanders</i>
	Canticles: <i>Moeran</i> in D
	Anthem: The Spirit of the Lord - <i>Elgar</i>
	Organ music: <i>Elegy – Reginald Tustin Baker</i>

The Spirit of the Lord – Edward Elgar

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; He hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord; to give unto them that mourn a garland for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; That

they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord that He might be glorified.

For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth; So the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all nations.

Today's Readings for the Eucharist

Nehemiah 8. 1-4a, 5-6, 8-12

All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. The scribe Ezra stood on a wooden platform that had been made for the purpose.

And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen', lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the Lord with their faces to the ground.

So, they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.' So the Levites stilled all the people, saying, 'Be quiet, for this day is holy; do not be grieved.' And all the people went their way to eat and drink and to send portions and to make great rejoicing, because they had understood the words that were declared to them.

Psalms 119. 9-16

How shall young people cleanse their way ♦
to keep themselves according to your word?

With my whole heart have I sought you; ♦

O let me not go astray from your commandments.

Your words have I hidden within my heart, ♦

that I should not sin against you.

Blessed are you, O Lord; ♦

O teach me your statutes.

With my lips have I been telling ♦
of all the judgements of your mouth.

I have taken greater delight in the way of your testimonies ♦
than in all manner of riches.

I will meditate on your commandments ♦
and contemplate your ways.

My delight shall be in your statutes ♦
and I will not forget your word.

Colossians 3. 12-17

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Matthew 24. 30-35

Jesus said to his disciples, 'The sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see "the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven" with power and great glory. And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see all these things, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.'

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 28th October

10.00 am Holy Eucharist *at All Saints Church*

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

Sunday 1st November Joint service at All Saints

Readings: Revelation 7.9-end; Psalm 34.1-10; 1 John 3.1-3; Matthew 5.1-12

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

10.00 am Holy Eucharist *at All Saints Church*

Preacher: *The Rector*

Hymns; 56, 442, 73, 548

4.00 pm All Souls Service *at Ss Peter & Paul's church*

Preacher: *The Rector*

6.30pm Choral Evensong *at Ss Peter & Pauls church*

Responses: *Holmes*

Canticles: *Noble in A minor*

Anthem: *The Fair Chivalry - Ashfield*

Organ music: *Finale – Noble*

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>

For Your Devotions this Week

Monday	1 Timothy 6. 1-10
Tuesday	1 Timothy 6. 11-end
Wednesday	2 Timothy 1-14
Thursday	2 Timothy 1. 15-2.13
Friday	2 Timothy 2. 14-end
Saturday	2 Timothy 3

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, Audrey Laine, Jane Mazalon

We also pray for those who have died:

Rose Marie Rowe, Janet Wright, Doreen Sutliff, Leslie Oliver, Helen Amor

Year's mind this week:

Jean Singer, Garabet Eskicikasbarolu, Mary Butler, Raymond Singer, Rene Andrews, Becky Makinson

'Prayer for a new Honorary Associate Priest'

Almighty God, giver of every good gift,
look graciously on our parish as we look for a new Honorary Associate Priest.
Send your Holy Spirit to guide and strengthen us,
that we may continue to work together in love and mission.
Give wisdom, discernment, and patience
to those who are tasked with choosing the new priest,
and prepare the heart of the person you are calling to this place.
May they be a wise and gentle shepherd,
walking alongside us in joy and faith,
to the glory of your name.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

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Leave – The Rector will be on leave from Saturday 24 to Saturday 31 October.

Christmas Bazar at St Peter & St Pauls church. We'll have a short catch up after the 10.00am service at the Parish Church on the 25th October to confirm details about the Bazaar, which is on the 14th November. Anyone who is interested in lending a hand (or is just a bit curious) is welcome to bring a cuppa and join us. Anyone who would be happy to put on the Santa Suit for a couple of hours would be very, very welcome indeed! Do let Claire know on 07815 698 601 or come to the catch up on the 25th

The next meeting of the Chingford Cemetery Cafe will be held at the Old Church at 2pm on Friday 30th October. The speaker is Jay Morgan-Hyrons who hopefully will be giving a talk on stories from the first day of the Somme which she is currently researching.

All Saints' Day – The Patronal Festival for the Old Church will be celebrated with a joint 10am Eucharist in All Saints' Church on Sunday 1 November. There will be no 10am service in the Parish Church that day.

All Souls' – There will be two distinct All Souls' services in the Parish Church this year. On Sunday 1 November at 4pm there will be 'A Service for All Souls'. This will be a non-Eucharistic service with carefully chosen words and music and an opportunity to pray for our dear departed loved ones, naming them as we do so, and lighting a candle in their memory. Sign-up sheets for names to be included in this service will be at the back of both churches from Sunday 18 October.

Then, on Monday 2 November at 8pm, the Chingford Singers and adults of the Parish Church Choir will sing Fauré's Requiem within the context of a Eucharist for All Souls' Day. There will, of course, be prayers for the departed as at every Eucharist, but not the inclusion of specific names as at the Sunday afternoon service.

A Diocese Authorised Spiritual Companion course will be taking place at a venue in Manor Park on three Saturdays in November. For further information, see <https://www.chelmsford.anglican.org/vocations-and-discipleship/exploring-vocations/become-a-spiritual-companion> or contact Joan Dallas dallas.lin7@gmail.com, or Gill Hopkins gill_hopkins@yahoo.co.uk

Christmas coffee morning at old church. Saturday 21st November from 10am to 2pm at the Old Church there will be a Christmas Coffee Morning Bazaar with plenty of stalls to have a good browse around.

There will be a Raffle stall, homemade cakes stall, Bric-a-Brac, Christmas stalls and more. Father Christmas Grotto in The Church from 11am to 1pm.

There will also be Mulled wine and Mince pies, Bacon Rolls, Sausage in a Roll (Vegetarian option available) and Hot Drinks.

The Entry is free so why not come along and have a Good browse around and you might even pick up some Christmas Goodies.

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. The preparation classes will be held on five Sundays, from 11.45am to 12.30pm, as follows:

Sunday 6 December in the Old Church

Sunday 13 December in the Old Church

Sunday 10 January in the Parish Church Hall

Sunday 17 January in the Parish Church Hall

Sunday 24 January in the Parish Church Hall

We will use the resource 'Faith Confirmed' by Peter Jackson and Chris Wright. It can be ordered from most bookshops or online sellers. Please speak to the Rector if you're interested in being confirmed.

Parish Share 2027: leaflets from the Diocese about the Parish Share are at the back of each church. Our Parish has been asked to contribute £87,287 in 2027. This is down by 0.5% from 2026 but remains a major challenge and the largest single item of our expenditure.

Generous Giving – It's Stewardship Season at the Parish from 1 October to 1 November. Please take a copy of the special leaflet home with you to read. If you can give a new, or increase an existing financial gift to the parish, thank you. If at this moment you cannot, thank you for considering it. If you can give more time through volunteering in particular ways, thank you. Every contribution is needed, gratefully received and truly valued.

Safeguarding Survey – INEQE Safeguarding Group has been commissioned to conduct independent safeguarding audits of the Church of England to make sure dioceses and cathedrals are doing all they can to create environments where everyone feels safe, valued and respected. As part of the audit process, they want to engage with parishioners through an online survey which will act as a mechanism through which individuals can comment on any matters relevant to the Audit's focus. The survey is anonymous and confidential with the results received directly by INEQE's Audit Team and not by the Church of England. The survey is now live and will close at 11.30 pm on Tuesday 1 December 2026. To access the survey relevant to you please visit:

<https://ineqe.com/churchofengland/chelmsford/>

Eco Church News. This month's tip involves tackling climate change and reducing your heating bills by reducing the drafts in your home. Find the gaps that let cold air in and warm air out (keyholes, letterboxes, gaps around windows, doors, loft hatches and floorboards for example). There are lots of tutorials on how to fix these issues online. You can also put reflective panels behind your radiators to reflect the heat back into the room as we are doing at All Saints Church and Hall.

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.

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.

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

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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.