THE PARISH OF CHINGFORD
SS PETER AND PAUL WITH ALL SAINTS'

PEWS NEWS
for Sunday 8th November 2026
Remembrance Day



The Collect

Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the King of all:
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,
and bring the families of the nations,
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

God, our refuge and strength,
bring near the day when wars shall cease
and poverty and pain shall end,
that earth may know the peace of heaven
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

The Post Communion Prayer

God of peace,
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,
and by your healing power
make whole both people and nations;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ
Amen

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

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

10.00 am **Holy Eucharist** *at All Saints Church*

Servers	
Processional hymn	366
OT Reading	Wisdom of Solomon 6. 12-16 Read by Jan Burnell
NT Reading	1 Thessalonians 4. 13-18 Read by Larry Relfe
Gradual hymn	31
Gospel	Matthew 25. 1-13
Sermon	*Canon Rodney Matthews*
Intercessions	led by *Sue Renwick*
Hymn	6
	(the collection will be taken during this hymn)
Communion hymn	Let there be love shared among us – 298 PP
Final Hymn	Give me joy in my heart - 153

9.30 am **(Shortened) Sung Eucharist** *at Ss Peter & Paul's church*

Servers	Teresa and Sue
Setting	Missa de Angelis
Processional hymn	372
OT Reading	Wisdom of Solomon 6.12-16 *Read by Teresa Law*
NT Reading	1 Thessalonians 4. 13-end *Read by Cynthia Wenden*
Gospel	Matthew 25. 1-13
Sermon	*Mother Marilyn*
Intercessions	led by *Richard Vincent*
Offertory	495
	(the collection will be taken during this hymn)
Communion	If ye love me - *Tallis*
Final Hymn	490
Voluntary	Intermezzo in C - *Schroeder*

10.45 am **Act of Remembrance** *at Chingford War Memorial*

11.15 am **Remembrance Service** *at the Parish Church*

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

Preacher: *Rev'd Elizabeth Price*
Responses: Plainsong
Canticles: *Bairstow* in E flat
Anthem: Litany to the Holy Spirit - *Hurford*
Organ music: No. 1 of Six Short Preludes and Postludes - *Stanford*

Litany to the Holy Spirit – Peter Hurford

In the hour of my distress, When temptations me oppress, And when I my sins confess, Sweet Spirit, comfort me! When I lie within my bed, Sick in heart and sick in head, And with doubts discomforted, Sweet Spirit, comfort me! When the house doth sigh and weep, And the world is drown'd in sleep, Yet mine eyes the watch do keep, Sweet Spirit, comfort me!

Today's Readings for the Eucharist

Wisdom of Solomon 6. 12-16

Wisdom is radiant and unfading,
and she is easily discerned by those who love her,
and is found by those who seek her.
She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her.
One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty,
for she will be found sitting at the gate.
To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding,
and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care,
because she goes about seeking those worthy of her,
and she graciously appears to them in their paths,
and meets them in every thought.

1 Thessalonians 4. 13-18

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died.For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died.For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Matthew 25. 1-13

Jesus said to his disciples, 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom.Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight

there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.'

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 11th November

10.00 am Holy Eucharist *at All Saints Church*
10.45 am Coffee and Bible Study *at All Saints Church Hall*
3.30 pm Family Café (Term time only) *at All Saints Church Hall*

Sunday 15th November Second Sunday before Advent

Readings: Zephaniah 1.7, 12-end: Psalm 90.1-8, (9-11) 12; 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11 Matthew 25.14-30

8.00 am Holy Eucharist *at Ss Peter & Paul's church*
10.00 am Service of the Word *at All Saints Church*
Preacher: *Rev'd Elizabeth Price*
Hymns; 317, 126, 33, 311, 142

10.00 am Holy Eucharist *at Ss Peter & Paul's church*
Preacher*: The Rector*
Setting*: Victoria* Missa O Quam Gloriosum
Communion: God be in my head - *Wilby*
Hymns: 449, 406, 304, 463ii

6.30 pm Evensong *at Ss Peter & Paul's church*
Preacher: *Miss Diana Kennedy*
Responses: *Sanders*

Canticles: *Kelly* in C
Anthem: Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace - Sumsion
Organ music: Sursam Corda - *Ireland*

For Your Devotions this Week

Monday	Pslam 19, 20
Tuesday	Psalm 21, 24
Wednesday	Psalm 23, 25
Thursday	Psalm 26, 27
Friday	Psalm 28, 32
Saturday	Psalm 33

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:
Douglas Davidson, Ronald Freeman, Frederick Jordan

'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

PEWS NEWS

You are invited to take this sheet home with you for your reference during the coming week.

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 Bazaar at the Parish church. Dear Friends, our Bazaar is on the 14th November from 10-12.30 in the vestry Hall. Please could we ask you to leave any donations you may have the Vestry from Monday? This could be books, toys, bric a brac, unwanted presents, bottles, raffle prizes or cakes, and anything else you think might be suitable. Thank you so much for supporting this, the Parish could really use a financial boost!

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.

Advent Group – This year we'll explore some of the questions that emerged from 'Curiosity Sunday' back in September. We'll meet on four Sundays in the Parish Church and on four Wednesdays in the Old Church. The Parish Church dates are Sunday 29 November as well as Sundays 6, 13 and 20 December, all at 11.45am. The Old Church dates are Wednesday 25 November as well as Wednesdays 2, 9 and 16 December, all at 10.45am. All are welcome.

Purple Praise. All are welcome at Purple Praise's Christmas Concert on Saturday December 12th at 1.30 pm in All Saints Church, Old Church Road E4. Come and enjoy an afternoon of music, song and celebration. Tickets cost £5, including refreshments. Children under 16 come free of charge. For tickets, please contact Katie Alam: caloriekatie@yahoo.co.uk or Anne Clayden: anneellenc@gmail.com

All proceeds raised for Haven House.

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.

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
There will be a meeting of the Eco Church Group on Sunday 22 November after service at All Saints. On the agenda will be an update on the loft insulation, approval of the Net Zero Plan and a discussion of where we go from here.

Eco Church Tip

As winter creeps in, we need to think about warm cosy homes for our garden friends. Does your garden have a bird feeder? Is there a messy area where insects can burrow down for the winter. Can you leave some of those leaves in a pile to provide shelter for insects and butterflies? Could you and your neighbours consider a 'hedgehog highway' - that is small holes in the bottom of fences so that hedgehogs can get through and take advantage of your gardens? For lots of ideas about how to make your garden nature friendly try https://www.rhs.org.uk/science/conservation-biodiversity/wildlife/encourage-wildlife-to-your-garden.

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 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.

We welcome any donations towards the annual cost of funding our Organ Scholarship. The amount needed is again £5500.00 for the year and we have now almost met this, so a huge thanks to all our annual and one-off contributors! Any amount given, no matter how small, is really helpful and appreciated. If you are able to contribute towards the appeal, it can be paid by bank transfer to Chingford parish church parochial church council, 20-52-74, a/c 40235172. Please make sure the reference is marked Organ Scholarship. Alternatively hand any donations to the Churchwardens, stewards or Director of Music. Thank you.

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: 2 December 2026.

Interviews: 13 January 2027.

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.

Parish Contacts

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- **Ss Peter & Paul:** Sue Emerson and George Neophytou
- **All Saints:** Larry Relfe and Gary Young

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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*.