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

PEWS NEWS
for Sunday 15th November 2026
The Second Sunday before Advent

The Collect

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son was revealed
to destroy the works of the devil
and to make us the children of God
and heirs of eternal life:
grant that we, having this hope,
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;
that when he shall appear in power
and great glory
we may be made like him in his
eternal and glorious kingdom;
where he is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation:
stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess
and revive in us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

The Post Communion Prayer

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
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	**Service of the Word** *at All Saints Church*
Servers	
Processional hymn	317
OT Reading	Zephaniah 1.7, 12-end Read by Des Channer
NT Reading	1 Thessalonians 5. 1-11 Read by Julia Cook
Gradual hymn	126
Gospel	Matthew 25. 14-30
Sermon	*Rev'd Elizabeth Price*
Intercessions	led by *Joyce Appiah*
Hymn	33
	(the collection will be taken during this hymn)
Communion hymn	Lord Jesus Christ - 311
Final Hymn	Forth in the peace of Christ we go - 142

10.00 am	**Holy Eucharist** *at Ss Peter & Paul's church*
Servers	Cynthia, Sue, and Keith
Setting	*Victoria* Missa O Quam Gloriosum
Processional hymn	449
OT Reading	Zephaniah 1.7, 12-end *Read by Fred Wall*
NT Reading	1 Thessalonians 5. 1-11 *Read by Gordon Hughes*
Gospel	Matthew 25. 14-30
Sermon	*The Rector*
Intercessions	led by *Simon Goulter*
Offertory	406
	(the collection will be taken during this hymn)
Communion	God be in my head - *Wilby*
Final Hymn	463ii
Voluntary	Prelude in C minor BWV 546 - *J.S. Bach*

6.30pm Evensong *at Ss Peter & Paul's church*
Preacher: *Mrs Diana Kennedy*
Responses: *Sanders*
Canticles: *Kelly* in C
Anthem: Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace - *Sumsion*
Organ music: Sursam Corda – *Ireland*

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace – Herbert Sumsion

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee. The darkness is no darkness with Thee, but the night is as clear as the day: The darkness and the light to Thee are both alike. God is light and with Him is no darkness at all. Oh let my soul live and it shall praise Thee. For Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory, for evermore.

Today's Readings for the Eucharist

Zephaniah 1.7, 12-end

Be silent before the Lord God!
For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests.
At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts,
'The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm.'
Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste.
Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them.

The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there.
That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements.

I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung.
Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Psalm 90.1-8, 9-11, 12

Lord, you have been our refuge ♦
from one generation to another.
Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the earth and the world were formed, ♦
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
You turn us back to dust and say: ♦
'Turn back, O children of earth.'
For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday, ♦
which passes like a watch in the night.
You sweep them away like a dream; ♦
they fade away suddenly like the grass.
In the morning it is green and flourishes; ♦
in the evening it is dried up and withered.
For we consume away in your displeasure; ♦
we are afraid at your wrathful indignation.

You have set our misdeeds before you ♦
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.
When you are angry, all our days are gone; ♦
our years come to an end like a sigh.
The days of our life are three score years and ten,
or if our strength endures, even four score; ♦
yet the sum of them is but labour and sorrow,
for they soon pass away and we are gone.
Who regards the power of your wrath ♦
and your indignation like those who fear you?
So teach us to number our days ♦
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

1 Thessalonians 5. 1-11

Concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Matthew 25. 14-30

Jesus told his disciples this parable: 'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

'After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have

made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master."

'And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master."

'Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours."

'But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." '

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 18th 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 22nd November Christ the King

Readings: Ezekiel 34.11-16,20-24: Psalm 95.1-7; Ephesians 1.15-end: Matthew 25.31-end

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

10.00 am Holy Eucharist *at All Saints Church*
Preacher: *The Rector*
Hymns; 103, 242, PP CD, 422

10.00 am Holy Eucharist with Holy Baptism *at Ss Peter & Paul's church*
Preacher*: Mother Marilyn*
Setting*: Ireland* in F
Communion: Hallelujah Chorus - *Handel*
Hymns: 345, 446, 443

6.30 pm Evensong *at Ss Peter & Paul's church*
Preacher: *The Rector*
Responses: *Reading*
Canticles: *Purcell* in G minor
Anthem: Cantantibus Organis – *Phillips*
Organ music: Sursam Corda - *Ireland*

For Your Devotions this Week

Monday	Pslam 46, 47
Tuesday	Psalm 48, 52
Wednesday	Psalm 56, 57
Thursday	Psalm 60, 61
Friday	Psalm 63, 65
Saturday	Psalm 78. 40-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, Audrey Laine, Jane Mazalon, Naomi, Pam Hanley.

We also pray for those who have died:
Carol Harvey, Una Warner, Robert Rider, George Baldwin, Alfred Ford, Valerie Dimney, Patricia Wiseman.

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

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

Safeguarding Sunday – Along with thousands of other churches and parishes across the UK we'll be marking Safeguarding Sunday in the Parish of Chingford on Sunday 15 November. This year's theme is 'Love Protects' – rooted in the powerful words of 1 Corinthians 13 – reminding us that safeguarding isn't just about policy or compliance, but a natural expression of Christian love in action. Safeguarding Sunday is an opportunity for us to pause and reflect on our safeguarding journey – to celebrate the good work already happening, be honest about where things can improve, and commit to continuing to build safer places for everyone in our care. At its heart, this day is about living out our faith. When we truly love others, protecting them isn't a box to tick – it's simply what love does. Find out more at: safeguardingsunday.org

Congratulations to Choristers Naomi Giles and Talia Youngson on passing the Royal School of Church Music's Gold Award exam. This is the highest of the awards given by the RSCM. Also, to Joseph Hay-Campbell for gaining an alto choral Scholarship at Norwich Cathedral for the next academic year from September.

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.

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: The only seats still available are a few in the Lady Chapel - £25.50 (concessions £23.50); Under 8s £12. Email music@parishofchingford.org.uk or phone 020 8529 6092. There may be some returned tickets nearer the time (unlikely) or a few promenade tickets just to stand at the back, available on the night!

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/*

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*.