# LOOKING AHEAD

Daily Office (short 15-minute prayer service) Monday-Wednesday, Friday & Saturday at 8.00am and 5.30pm Please note: Tuesday evenings, the prayer service will be at 5pm.

Sun 22 January 2017 10am Sun 29 January 2017 10am

Sun 5 February 2017 10am Sun 12 February 2017 10am Sun 19 February 2017 10am Sun 26 February 2017 10 am Wed 1 March 2017 7pm

Sun 5 March 2017 10am

Sun 12 March 2017 10am Wed 15 March 2017 6.45pm

Sun 19 March 2017 10am Sun 26 March 2017 10am Sun 2 April 2017 10am Sun 9 April 2017 10am Mass for the Conversion of St Paul Mass for the Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas) Mass for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday before Lent Mass for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Lent Mass for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent Mass for the Sunday before Lent Mass for the Sunday before Lent Mass for the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent Mass for the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent PCC Meeting (Church Hall) Mass for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent Mass for Mothering Sunday Mass for Passion Sunday



Mass for Palm Sunday

Winner of 'The UK's Best Modern Churches' award November 2013

# Next Sunday: 29th January 2017 Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)

Hymns: 395 448 53 284 Malachi 3:1-5 Safia Hebrews 2:14-18 Mary S Psalm 24 Gospel Luke 2:22-30 Intercessions Isabel Chalice: Iyabode Sides people: Helen & Elaine



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# THE PARISH OF ★ ST. PAUL WITH ST. LUKE ★ BOW COMMON



# Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2017 The Conversion of St Paul

# Hymns:sheet, sheet463493Acts 9:1-22CathyGalatians 1:11-16JulianPsalm 67Gospel Matthew 19:27-30IntercessionsJenneaChalice:HendrikaSides people:Hendrika/Ayo & Cathy

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Edmond Brien, William Jarvis, Naomi Harris, Esther Christian, , Margaret Diss, John Christian, Rachel Christian, Isobel Coates, Ray Williams, Charlie Berry, Dawn Smith, Sharni Josephine, Nojahan Hamid, Mark Emmerson, Jane Keefe, Audrey Mameli, Blesie Smith, Iyabode Kadhiri, John McLean, Pat Padmore, Baby Jack, Kenneth Lambert

For our link church of **Santa Monica, Maputo** in Mozambique **January Year's Mind:** Canon Amos Cole-Wilson, Patsy 'Roberts, Peter Cook, Monica George

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Our celebration of the 40 days of the Christmas season is now approaching the end, and always within it, we celebrate an important day for our church – the Feast day of one of the two Patron Saints of our parish, **St Paul.** Today we celebrate, albeit a few days early, that life-changing event that transformed Saul from being the persecutor of the first Christians to Paul, the apostle, whose influence on the Church has perhaps been greater that any other follower of Jesus.

To mark our celebration of this event, there is a **special hymn sheet for the first two hymns.** 

**Today after Holy Communion,** there will be a service of blessing and commissioning of our new Chalice Administrants, Mary, Ayo and Julian

**The Christmas Season ends** for us next week with our Sunday celebration of the Feast of the **Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas).** 

We meet at the beginning of the service in the church hall for the blessing of candles and then we process to the Crib for the last time to take the Child to the 'Temple' of our High Altar, as Mary and Joseph took the Child Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem on this day to present him to God as their first born. Please arrive early so as not to miss this very moving part of our worship.

## New Step Course starting in May this year.

This course is one of the most memorable things that many of our church members say they have done in recent years. Together with members of neighbouring churches you have the opportunity to start on a remarkable journey of discovery about your faith and about yourself.

The course lasts for six months and is well worth the commitment as it is an unforgettable experience.

If you would like to talk to someone who has already done the course, then see Ruth. If you would like to go on the course, then let Mthr. Bernadette know.

Little Lights will be moving to the new time of 9.30-11am on Fridays after half term. Please let friends and neighbours know!



## **PCC Highlights**

- **MAP** Hendrika led PCC in prioritising actions framed in our Mission Action Plan a document will be produced outlining our mission commitments for the next 3-5 years
- School Foundation Governor last year Safa stepped down from this role leaving a space vacant. The PCC nominated Jeanette Chilcott as our representative on the governing body of our church school. The PCC thanks Safia for her years of service and welcomes Jeanette to her new role.
- **Parking Rentals** Zip Cars have arrived. From February St Paul's Way Medical Centre will be renting two spaces
- Lent Activities: As well as the regular fundraising activities, of Lent Pots and Poverty Lunch for our ALMA link church, St Monica's, we will be having a lent pilgrimage to West Malling Abbey in Kent on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March and everyone is welcome. For more information about the location see sheet on notice board in hall. There will also be Prayers Around the Cross, a Prayer Walk and a Lent course.
- **Church Electrics**: PCC agreed to prioritise addressing the church's electrical system as soon as possible.
- **New Step Course**: PCC agreed to sponsor any among the congregation who wish to take up this course.
- APCM: PCC agreed **30<sup>th</sup> April** as the date of our **APCM** so do please put it in your diary. **The Annual report with accounts will be presented to the PCC on Wednesday 15 March 2017. All reports** (Finance, Sunday School, Youth Group, Little Lights, Tuesday Sale, Safeguarding, Health & Safety, etc **need to be completed** and given to **Mthr. Bernadette by Tuesday 28 February.**

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