

St Paul's Church, Coven



Part of the Diocese of Lichfield under the Extended Pastoral and Sacramental Care of the Bishop of Ebbsfleet

'A place of sanctuary within the community'

Website- <http://stpaulschurchcoven.co.uk/>

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For those who are sick and lonely; that they may know the love, peace and strength of Christ:

Katie & Gary Banks. Linda, Rita, Maddie, Jim Watson, Tim Kirby, Mason, Adam Jones, Eddie, Dennis, Maurice, Beryl, Jo, Isobel, John, Kath Edwards, Rosemary, Sheila Beamish, Pauline Bevan, Joshua, Bob, Jane Chester, Margaret Rose, Jean Simms, Christine Gilbert and Mike Hampson.

For those who have recently died in the faith of Christ Mary Beatrice Bailey and Irene Mason and for all whose anniversaries fall at this time Hannah Sutton, Irene Parry, Audrey Nicholls and Desmond Jarvis. Rest eternal grant to them O Lord **and let light perpetual shine upon them.** May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

A prayer for this time

Keep us, good Lord,
under the shadow of your mercy
in this time of uncertainty and distress.
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,
and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may rejoice in your comfort
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Amen.

This Sunday 12th September
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
10.00 a.m. Parish Eucharist

Wednesday 15th September
Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows
10.30 a.m. Holy Eucharist.

Next Sunday
Sunday 19th September
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
10.00 a.m. Parish Eucharist

Our Monthly Offering to God

Please make you offering either by Bank Transfer or by putting your envelope or money on the plate just inside the entrance to the Church.

St Pauls Parochial Church Council Coven
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Save the Date

Sunday 19th September – Thanksgiving Sunday

This will be a celebration of everything that we are thankful for including the NHS, for getting through the last 18 months, for our community & our parish as well as our Harvest Festival. We are sending invites out to groups in the community as well our own congregation. It will be a particularly children friendly family service, so invite friends, family, neighbours, work colleagues and grandchildren to join with us.

Friday 1st October 7.00 p.m. Coven Memorial Hall
A Black Country Evening featuring our own Fr Paul, who is a great raconteur, (a bit like a Black Country, priestly version of Michael McIntyre!), Fish and Chip Supper and auction of gifts. Tickets on sale soon. If you can donate suitable, new gifts or promises of things you could do e.g., bake a cake for a special occasion, clean a car, walk a dog, provide an evening's driving etc. etc. then please have a word with Jo or Karen.

Side person's Rota

If you can help with giving Hymn Books and service sheets out on a Rota basis then please let Karen know.

Scarecrow Festival

Entries are now starting to flood in, get your entry form from Jo or Jan C. Collecting boxes for donations are in all the local shops. Let's make this a lovely community event. Details are on the poster below. Our huge thanks and gratitude to Bickford Truck Hire Ltd who have donated £150 for this which will also cover the prize money.

Save the Parish

I mentioned this campaign in the emailing of the Weekly Newsletter and Readings last week. Attached with this week are 2 documents 'Evidence for candidates' and 'Manifesto'. These have been produced for those wishing to stand for election to the General Synod, but they give a very illuminating insight into what is currently happening which I would urge all of you to read. There is much that we as a parish in vacancy can identify wholeheartedly with. No one from the Diocese or Deanery, or indeed the office of the Bishop of Ebbsfleet has picked up the phone to offer help or guidance to Pauline or I during the last 15 months, or even to enquire how things are going!

Remember to sign up to support this campaign at <https://savetheparish.com/>



St. Pauls Church & St. Pauls First School

Coven Scarecrow Festival Competition Weekend

Prizes:
1st Place: £50
2nd Place: £25
3rd Place: £10

Independent judging taking place between
**Friday 24th September 2021 -
Sunday 26th September 2021**

Open to all residents.
Entry £5. All proceeds split
between St. Pauls Church & St.
Pauls First School

Please contact Jo Knight
on 07564 013668, Jan Carr
on 01902 791443 or Mary-Ann
Edge for an entry form.