



Parish of Nork with Burgh Heath Key Dates - May to August 2023

Below are some of the key dates for May to August 2023. Thank you very much to all who are involved in contributing to these different events. This is not an exhaustive list, but rather a list of all the dates we have to this point.

Worship in our churches

For these four months, we will have a whole parish (joint) service at 10 am on the fourth Sunday of every month, alternating between the two churches (ie: reverting back to before our four month trial of having two a month). In addition to this we will have three other whole parish services, each for special occasions and for different reasons:

- On Sunday 7th May, we will have a whole parish service to celebrate King Charles' Coronation, followed by a lunch for those who would like to join in (this will be at St. Paul's because a number of people have informed me that they cannot be at the services that day, due to joining in with street parties and other celebrations - including several key people who run the services at St. Mary's)
- On Sunday 2nd July, we will have a whole parish service to celebrate David Packham's ordination to priest (where he will preside over his first communion, as is Church of England tradition for such occasions), followed by a lunch and this will be at St. Mary's
- On Sunday 25th June at 6.30 pm we will have our next Parish Songs of Praise, at St. Mary's

On the other weeks of the month, services will continue at 9 am at St. Paul's and at 11 am at St. Mary's, with the option of Zoom for those who are unable to join us in the buildings.

Community Alive (family services at St. Paul's) will continue to be on the 2nd Sunday of every month at 9 am.
Messy Church (family services at St. Mary's) will continue to be on the 3rd Sunday of every month at 11 am.
Forest Church (in the St. Paul's Backlands) will be on the 4th Sunday of every month at 3pm.

Our parish 8 am BCP communion service runs at St. Paul's on Tuesday mornings every week.

Special One-off Events

CORONATION CELEBRATION SERVICE & LUNCH AT ST. PAUL'S (Sunday 7th May 2023, 10 am)

On Sunday 7th May, for those who are able to join us, we will be having a whole parish Coronation Celebration Service at St. Paul's at 10 am, followed by lunch together. Please bring your own picnic for this occasion.

CHRISTIAN AID FRUGAL LUNCH (Monday 15th May at 12.30 pm)

On Monday 15th May at 12.30 pm (at the start of Christian Aid week), we will be holding a frugal lunch at St. Paul's to raise money for Christian Aid. This will commence with a simple communion and will be followed by a bread and soup lunch, for which financial donations can be made. All monies raised will go to Christian Aid.

OPERA CONCERT (Thursday 18th May, 7.30 pm, at St. Paul's)

Rhian Davies and her friends from the 'All Aboard Opera' Company will be sharing a concert, making opera accessible to all. Tickets need to be booked (please see the news email for more information) and any profits will be shared between the parish and the Opera Company.

CRAFT MORNING (Friday 2nd June, 10 am - 12 pm at St. Paul's)

Our next craft morning at St. Paul's will be on Friday 2nd June, from 10 am - 12 pm. This is aimed particularly for primary school aged children and their families.

PARISH PLANT SALE & COFFEE MORNING TO RAISE MONEY FOR BACSECT (Saturday 3rd June, 10 am - 12 pm)

We will be having a 'Bring and Buy' Parish Plant Sale and coffee morning to raise money for BACSECT, in the St. Paul's Church Hall, from 10 am - 12 pm on Saturday 3rd June.

Please also be growing plants for this and let Deirdre, Morna or Theresa know if you are planning to bring some.

PARISH SONGS OF PRAISE (Sunday 25th June, 6.30 pm at St. Mary's)

On Sunday 25th June, at 6.30 pm at St. Mary's, we will be having our next Parish Songs of Praise.

DAVID PACKHAM'S ORDINATION CELEBRATION COMMUNION AND LUNCH (Sunday 2nd July, 10 am at St. Mary's)

On Sunday 2nd July at 10 am, David Packham will be presiding over his first communion in our parish (a Church of England tradition, following his ordination to priest the previous day). This will be followed by a celebration lunch (details TBC nearer the time)

PARISH PICNIC (Sunday 27th August, the Vicarage Garden - from 12 - 3 pm)

On Sunday 27th August, everyone is invited to a parish picnic in the Vicarage Garden, from 12 - 3 pm.

Other key dates:

Community Alive (our Family Service based at St. Paul's), at 9 am on the 2nd Sunday of the month

Everyone is welcome at these services & events, but they will be particularly geared towards families with children:

Sunday 14th May, 9 am

Sunday 11th June, 9 am

Sunday 9th July, 9 am

Sunday 13th April, 9 am

Messy Church (our Family Service based at St. Mary's), at 11 am on the 3rd Sunday of the month

Everyone is welcome at these services & events, but they will be particularly geared towards families with children:

Sunday 21st May, 11 am

Sunday 16th July, 11 am

Whole parish services at 10 am, on the fourth Sunday of the month (with a couple of extras for special occasions as noted above):

Sunday 28th May, 10 am, St. Mary's

Sunday 25th June, 10 am, St. Paul's

Sunday 23rd July, 10 am, St. Mary's

Sunday 27th August, 10 am, St. Paul's

Plus the 3 extras:

Sunday 7th May, 10 am, St. Paul's (for the Coronation)

Sunday 25th June, 6.30 pm, St. Mary's: Parish Songs of Praise

Sunday 2nd July, 10 am, St. Mary's (for David Packham's first communion and priesting celebration lunch)

Forest Church in the St. Paul's 'Backlands' (the land behind the church hall, where there are lots of trees) on the fourth Sunday of each month at 3pm:

Sunday 28th May, 3pm

Sunday 25th June, 3pm

Sunday 23rd July, 3pm

Sunday 27th August, 3pm

8 am BCP Communion Services at St. Paul's on Tuesday mornings

Every week.

Parish Compline Prayer Meetings at 8 pm at St. Mary's (in person, rather than on Zoom)

Tuesday 2nd May

Tuesday 13th June

Tuesday 4th July

Tuesday 1st August

Little Roots (our parish toddler group) - Every Tuesday morning during term time, from 9 - 11 am at St. Paul's

Every Tuesday *during term times*, from 9-11 am, at St. Paul's. Half term week (where there will not be Little Roots) is Tuesday 30th May. Little Roots finishes for the summer holidays on Tuesday 18th July. The Little Roots Summer Party will be on Tuesday 11th July (also from 9-11 am)

Food Bank Collections

These will be on Wednesdays from 2-4 pm, alternating between the churches:

Wednesday 17th May, 2-4 pm (St. Paul's)

Wednesday 28th June, 2-4 pm (St. Mary's)

Wednesday 26th July, 2-4 pm (St. Paul's)

Wednesday 23rd August, 2-4 pm (St. Mary's)

Parish Walking Group

The Parish Walking Group meets on the third Saturday morning of each month, for walks of approximately 3-4 miles, led by members of the group.

Saturday 20th May

Saturday 17th June

Saturday 15th July

Saturday 19th August

Refresh@10

These coffee mornings are on Saturdays from 10 am - 12 pm, run at St. Mary's.

Saturday 27th May

Saturday 24th June
Saturday 29th July
Saturday 26th August

Soaking Prayer

These meetings are at 4 pm on the following Sunday afternoons at St. Mary's:

Sunday 14th May
Sunday 11th June
Sunday 9th July
Sunday 13th August

Benestede Social Club (a local group, not run by the churches - but we are great friends with these lovely ladies), is a group of women who meet to socialise together at St. Paul's on the first Wednesday evening of every month, at 7pm

Wednesday 3rd May
Wednesday 7th June
Wednesday 5th July
Wednesday 2nd August

Please do be in touch with Alex (vicar@norkwithburghheath.com or 07312 113019) if you have any questions about any of these events and dates.