WEEKLY MESSAGE FROM OUR VICAR, ALEX – 14TH MARCH 2025

Dear Church Family & Friends,

Hoping you're all well.

This email is to let you know of some upcoming dates / events happening in our parish.

Holy Week Dates

The week after next (beginning 13th April) is Holy Week and the following services and events will be happening in the parish:

Sunday 13th April, 9 am: Palm Sunday 'Community Alive' service at St. Paul's

Sunday 13th April, 11 am: Palm Sunday Communion at St. Mary's

Wednesday 16th April, 2-4 pm outside St. Paul's: Food Bank Collection. Please see this link for more information on what the Epsom & Ewell Food Bank are particularly collecting at this time: <u>https://epsomewell.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/</u>

Thursday 17th April, 7.30 pm: Maundy Thursday Communion at St. Paul's

Friday 18th April, 11 am: Messy Easter Service at St. Mary's

Friday 18th April, 3 pm: Good Friday Reflections at St. Paul's

Friday 18th April, 10 am from All Saints Banstead: Good Friday Walk of Witness by the Banstead Five Churches

Saturday 19th April, 2pm: Easter Egg Hunt for children & families at St. Paul's

Sunday 20th April, 9 am: Easter Day Communion at St. Paul's

Sunday 20th April, 11 am: Easter Day Communion at St. Mary's

Alex & Michael Moving on

As you are aware, Michael and I will be moving on to Ruxley Parish at the end of May and our final service will be on Sunday 25th May. It will be a whole parish communion, with activities for children, at 10 am at St. Paul's, followed by a shared lunch at 12 pm (please see the flyer attached). We would love to see as many of you there as are able to join with us - please do come along! (More information will follow in the coming weeks).

I will be licensed as Vicar of Ruxley Parish on Tuesday 10th June at 7.30 pm. We would also be delighted to see any of you there who would like to come - please do come along!

Electoral roll revision

As announced in our churches on the last two Sundays, we are in the process of revising our electoral roll for the parish. (Every 6 years Church of England Churches re-write the electoral rolls for churches from scratch).

Forms are available in the churches to be filled out if you are visiting for our services in the next two weeks - or you could also print the attached form and return this to Michelle or I for processing. St. Paul's has a letter box, next to the ramp entrance. These can also be put through the vicarage door. Please can they be returned by Monday 21st April.

Can you help?

As the parish heads towards vacancy, there will be some gaps it would be helpful to fill.

Would you be happy to support with any of the following at either church:

- Gardening
- Cleaning
- Setting up for services
- Doing occasional odd jobs, such as delivering items to parishioners
- Or do you have another skill / offer that you feel could be useful during the coming months?

Please let me know by replying to this email, so we can collate all the replies.

Thank you so much Alex

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