



CONVERSION OF ST PAUL THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

Today draws to a close the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Here is part of the reflection from Day 8, Growing into Christ.

'The gifts he gave were ... for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ' (Ephesians 4:11-13). In Ephesians 4:13 we are shown a vision of the wholeness of the unified Body of Christ – through unity in faith and maturity into the fullness of Christ's stature. We are invited into a reality that is more than knowing; it is embodied. Knowing that you do not know everything is the beginning of wisdom. As we humbly explore in awe (a different definition of fear), we can discover paths to maturity that are life changing and renewing not just for us personally, but also for the Church and, through the Church, for the world. It means becoming more like Jesus in every way: loving as Jesus loves, serving as Jesus serves and reflecting His character. We are called to share our spiritual journey, seeking unity with each other, growing in our lived experience of the Son of God and striving for the full stature of Christ. Questions to ask ourselves as we welcome our new Vicar - Personal: Where have you experienced 'stretching' as you strive for the full stature of Christ? Local: Who do we need to stretch us a bit more in our loving and serving in our local context?

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Welcome! Especially if you are a visitor. Please make yourself known to one of the Wardens, Sidespeople, or the Clergy. Members of other Churches are welcome to receive Communion. If you do not wish to receive Communion, please come up for a blessing.

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Please join us after the service for coffee and fellowship (both churches)

Welcome to the United Benefice of Holy Innocents and St. Mark, South Norwood

*United together in Christ, shining Christ's light
in our community*



25th January 2026

Vicar: Vacant

Priest (PTO): Revd. Mother Susan Wheeler-Kiley, TSSF, SCP

Reader (PTO): Mrs. Cicelyn Hinds,

CONVERSION OF ST PAUL

8.00am BCP Mass (St Mark)

10.00am Parish Mass (Both Parishes)

**1.00pm Imprint Contemporary Church
(Holy Innocents)**

St Mark - *Isaiah 9.1-4, Psalm 27.1,5-13, 1 Corinthians 1.10-18*

Hi - *Jeremiah 1.4-10 * Psalm 67 * Acts 9:1-22 **

Gospel - *Matthew 19.27-end*

Today we welcome: **Father Sam Dennis** who will be presiding at the 8.00am BCP Mass at St Mark, and **Mother Susan Height** who will be presiding and preaching at the 10.00am Eucharist at St Mark

Access online worship via
www.youtube.com/c/StMarksSouthNorwood

CHURCH NOTICES

Pastoral Care: for enquiries regarding Holy Innocents, please contact Mother Susan 07890780572 fs.kiley@btinternet.com and please contact Cicelyn Hinds (both churches) 02086562474 cahinds@btinternet.com

The Benefice is in vacancy. For Parish matters, please contact in the first instance, the respective church wardens, St Mark – Norma McKnight (ndwillis12@outlook.com) and Cicelyn Hinds (cahinds@btinternet.com) Holy Innocents – Church.warden@holyinnocentschurch.co.uk

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We pray: for the Archbishop of Canterbury elect, Sarah Mullally, Archbishop Stephen; for the Bishops in this diocese, Christopher, Rosemarie, Alastair and Martin, and for our new Vicar, The Revd Jessie Daniels-White as she prepares to take up her new ministry in South Norwood.

For the Bishops, priests, deacons and people in our link Dioceses of Zimbabwe and the Iglesia Anglicana de Chile.

St Mary the Virgin, Lewisham David Adamson-Hill (Vicar) Bishop Peter Wheatley (Assistant Bishop) Kevin Parkes (PTO) Paul Wynter (Reader) Wendy Dean (CPLM) Elizabeth Evans (CPLM) Monica Smith (CPLM) and St Mary's Cofe (JM & I) School.

For the sick – Richard, Barbara, Emma, Rona, John, Leonard, Reiss, Malik, Simon, Fred, Ethel, Terri-Ann, Marcia, Caroline, Revd Barbara, Shirley, Luke, Beverley, Rowena, Susan, Jean, Nicholas, Orlando and Tom.

The bereaved the Penn and the Hines families, Christopher, Stephen and James; Joanne McLaren-Budden, the McLaren and Budden families and the Arthur family

The recently departed – Anne Penn, Andrew Budden and Joyce Arthur **and those whose Years Mind falls at this time.**