**Saintpaulfurzedown**

*Knowing and sharing God’s love*

**Sunday 9th February 2025**

Welcome to St Paul’s. If you are visiting for the first time, please introduce yourself to us and sign the visitors’ book at the back of the church. You are welcome to take the newsletter home, and please stay for coffee, tea and a chat after the service.

**TODAY - Sunday 9th February 2025 10:00 am – HOLY EUCHARIST**

**1st Reading: Isaiah 6.1-8 [9-end]**

**Psalm: 138**

**Response:** **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now**

**and shall be forever. Amen**

**2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.1-11**

**Gospel: Luke 5.1-11**

**HYMNS: 102,95,402,403**

**THE COLLECT (The Prayer of the Day)**

O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many

and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our

nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us

such strength and protection as may support us in all

dangers and carry us through all temptations;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive

and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

**All:** **Amen.**

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

**Furzedown Youth Café –Tuesday 21st January, 12.30-14.30 -**

**Other News :-**

**Thursday 20th February – Funeral of June Yexley at Lambeth Crematorium, Blackshore Road 11-12noon**

**Sunday** **16th February,** **Holy Eucharist**

**1st Reading: Jeremiah 17.5-10**

**Psalm 1**

**2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.12-20**

**Gospel Reading: Luke 6.17-26**

**Hymns: 209,157,335.336**

**“Verse of the week”**

**When he has finished speaking, he said to Simon, “put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch.” Simon answered, “Master, we have worked all night and have not caught anything. But, because you say so, I will let down the nets.”**   cf Luke 5.5-6

**OUR PRAYERS:**

For those affected by conflict and war.

For peacemakers worldwide.

For those affected by fires or floods.

For those who are sick and in need, particularly:

Helen Long, Jill Simmons, Ros Mand, Inez Newson, Mary Orok, Rose McFoy, Jimmy Shatimehin, Joseph Ankrah, Natasha Connell, Ina Williams, Ben Aryeetey, Ina Williams, and all others who are in pain and struggling asking for prayers.

For those whose birthday is in February. For those who mourn the loss of loved ones. For Esther whose mother died recently and the Aryeetey and Yexley families as they mourn. For the faithful departed and those whose Year’s Mind falls within this coming week. **Rest eternal, grant them, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon them. Amen.**

**Rumania Link** – donations of fairly used or new rucksacks still collecting.

**FIRST READING: Micah 3.1–5**

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. And they were calling to one another: “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory.”At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke. “Woe to me!” I cried. “I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the Lord Almighty.” Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. **7**With it he touched my mouth and said, “See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for.”Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I. Send me!”

**SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15.1-11**

Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1%20Corinthians%2015.1-11&version=NIV#fen-NIV-28722a)]: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, **4**that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, **5**and that he appeared to Cephas,[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1%20Corinthians%2015.1-11&version=NIV#fen-NIV-28724b)] and then to the Twelve. **6**After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. **7**Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, **8**and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

**Gospel Reading: Luke 5.1-11**

One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret,[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke%205.1-11&version=NIV#fen-NIV-25109a)] the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God. He saw at the water’s edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch.” Simon answered, “Master, we’ve worked hard all night and haven’t caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets.” When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. So they signalled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus’ knees and said, “Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!” For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon’s partners. Then Jesus said to Simon, “Don’t be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.” **11**So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

**TRIP TO TURKEY 2025 WITH REVD ROB POWELL:**  who will be leading a trip to Turkey in September 2025 to visit the ancient sites of the seven churches of Revelation (more information at James website: www.stjames-streatham.org.uk

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