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If you would like make a donation to the parish our BACS details are;
 Acc: **16342606** sort code: **09-01-55** St Peter & St Paul Ewhurst
 Cheques payable to 'St Peter and St Paul Ewhurst'
 Please join the Parish Giving Scheme, ask the Parish Office for details

St Peter and St Paul is open each weekday and Saturday from 9.30 – 4.00, and on Sundays from the first service until 7pm.
The person unlocking & locking the church from Monday 19 February is Chris Cormode 276324
Okewood Church is open every day.
Holy Trinity Forest Green is open every day.

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Parish office opening hours Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9.30 to 1.00pm



The Parish of Ewhurst
with Okewood & Forest Green

18 February 2024
Lent 1

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Readings

Old Testament Genesis 9: 8-17
 New Testament 1 Peter 3: 18-end
 The Gospel Mark 1: 9-15



Service Schedule

	1 st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday	5 th Sunday
EWHURST	10.30am Morning Worship	9am BCP Holy Communion 6pm Evensong	10.30am Holy Communion	9am BCP Holy Communion	
OKEWOOD	10.30am Holy Communion 3pm Forestchurch	10.30am Morning Worship	10.30am Morning Worship	10.30am All Age service	
FOREST GREEN				6pm Evening Worship	10.30am Joint Holy Comm.

Prayer for Lent

Dear Lord,
At the beginning of Lent,
I remember how Jesus withdrew from his friends and followers,
to spend time with you.
Heavenly Father, I also take time away from life's busyness
to refocus my heart and spirit.
I choose to re-centre my life on your Word, your teachings,
and ask your Holy Spirit to lead and guide me,
filling me with the hope that is only found in Christ.
Thank you for the rich depth of relationship I can have with you. Amen

Prayer for our Parish Vacancy

Loving God,
As we journey together through this period of vacancy in our parish,
we thank you for your everlasting faithfulness to us.
At this time of uncertainty and change
we ask that you send us your Holy Spirit,
to fill us with your vision, energy and faithfulness in prayer. Amen.



Prayers for Healing

If you would like prayers for healing, please email or phone the parish office to be added to this list. If you know someone who would like prayers, please ask them if we can have their contact details so we can be in touch. Please include these people in your prayers;

Anne Barrett-Lennard

A thanksgiving service for Eileen Saunders will be held at Okewood church on Monday 26 February at 12 noon.

Okewood Church Prayer Meeting – all welcome, Sundays 9.30-10am in the Ark.

Grief Matters – a support group in our parish for anyone suffering bereavement grief and loss. Please contact Irene on 01483 273751.

Future dates – Mothering Sunday, 10 March
Palm Sunday, 24 March
Good Friday, 29 March
Easter Sunday, 31 March

Baby and Toddler group takes place in the Wilson Room on Fridays during term time, from 10.00 to 11.30am. Contact rosemarysm@ gmail.com 01483 351386.

Notices

Our services this Sunday will be 10.30am Holy Communion at Ewhurst, and 10.30am Morning Worship at Okewood with a talk from guest speaker Canon Andrew White.

Each year we are required to revise our Electoral Roll before the APCM on 1 May. The revision will take place between Fri 16 Feb and Fri 1 March. If you are already on our parish electoral roll you do not need to do anything. If you would like your name to be added or removed from the roll, please email Liz in the parish office. Thank you.

Church of England Lent app available. It is called 'Watch and Pray' and invites us all to wait expectantly for God to meet us and sustain us through the storms and trials we all face. The app is free on the app store and offers daily reflections and prayers.

Repairs to wall plaster are underway at St Peter & St Paul, on the right-hand wall in the Chancel, opposite the organ. While the scaffolding is in place there will be no access to this area of the church.

Prayer Meeting - everyone is invited to meet monthly to pray for our vacancy and the eventual outcome. The first meeting will be on Weds 28 February at 6pm, venue tbc. Please contact church warden Tom Murphy for further details.

Quiz Raffle Prizes please. Charity Quiz coming very soon, Fri 23 Feb, and raffle prizes needed (Please leave in Wilson Room). A few quiz spaces left. Please contact 01483275047 or geoffjane67@gmail.com

World Day of Prayer service to be held at St Peter and St Paul on Friday 1 March at 12 noon. This will be followed by refreshments (light lunch) in the Wilson room. The service this year comes from Palestine. All are welcome.

On Saturday 9 March we will be having a Parish Breakfast Event with speakers called Tough Talk at Okewood Village Hall starting at 9.30am. All welcome.

Purchase Of Easter Flowers for St Peter & St Paul. Our main purchase will be Easter Lilies, longiflorum variety, together with some Spring flowers. A sign-up list will be found on the font. All contributions very much appreciated. Thank you. Val Henry

If you would like to join the flower team on an occasional basis you would be most welcome. Equipment is provided. Please speak to Val.

Upcoming events.

Forest Church upcoming dates: 3 March, 7 April, 5 May

Listening Lounge dates: 2 March, Wilson room 9am

Glebe Coffee morning Wednesday 10.30-12 Glebe Centre, Ewhurst

Pavilion Café Wednesday 9.00-12 Ockley Cricket Pavilion