



Easter 5
28th April 2024

*Welcome to St. Peter & St. Paul, Bromley
...especially if this is your first visit.*

You are very welcome here and we are glad you have come to visit.

We welcome children and have a play and pray area in church for children to use as they wish. For more energetic play toys can be found in our rooms through the doors at the back of church. Parents are welcome to use this space with their children. The service is relayed to the TV screen in the rooms.

All are welcome to receive the bread and wine in our church, please come forward when indicated if you wish to receive. Gluten free wafers and non alcoholic wine are available on request. If you would prefer to receive a prayer of blessing please bring your service sheet with you at the time.

Step free access is also available via our church rooms.

Toilets can also be found in our church rooms through the doors at the back of church together with baby changing facilities.

Church is fitted with a loop system for hearing aids. Please set hearing aids to the T setting.

Our Services are live streamed and can be joined from home on our Bromley Parish Church YouTube channel.

If you would like to know more about us do complete our visitor's form and leave in the box at the back of church. To receive our weekly enewsletter from James our vicar contact the church office with your email address.

*We hope you enjoy your time with us ~
please join us for refreshments after the service if you are able.*

Services Today

9.00am Breakfast Church led by Donya Young

10.30am Parish Eucharist followed by refreshments

President: Rev'd James Harratt

Preacher : Becky Willoughby

Hymns: 212 Now the green blade riseth

507 We have a gospel to proclaim

494 I the Lord of sea and sky

721 Love divine all loves excelling

Anthem: Come Lord Jesus – Hubbard (b.1944)

Readings: Acts 8:26-40 read by Anne Grisbrook

I John 4:7-21 read by Ruth Gall

Gospel: John 15: 1- 8

Intercessions led by Keith Barron

Next Week

Easter 6

8.30am Holy Communion

President & Preacher: Rev'd James Harratt

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Today's Reading

First Reading

Acts 8:26-40

26 Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) ²⁷So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to

Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' ³⁰So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' ³¹He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. ³²Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.

³³ In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.'

³⁴The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' ³⁵Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' ³⁸He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. ³⁹When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Second Reading

I John 4:7-21

7 Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world

so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

¹³By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. ¹⁵God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰Those who say, 'I love God', and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. ²¹The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Gospel

John 15:1-8

¹I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire,

and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

Prayers

We pray for

~ our church and community

~ St Pauls Church, Highfield, Harare and Zimbabwe as they struggle with the effects of 250% inflation

~ those who live with conflict, fear and oppression

~ our government and those in positions of authority and leadership

~ the mission of Hope into Action and its work across the borough of Bromley

~ those who are in immediate need of our prayers, Alice Potter, Emile Riley, Geoffrey Walsh, Hannah Westerman, Terry Carpenter, John Townsend, Jeffrey Don, Esme, her parents and grandparents, Shirley Collins, Norma Classen, Laura,

~ those in continuing need of our prayers, Frank Roddy, Rachel Taylor-Davies, Charlie Steel, Malcolm Horner, Samantha Tree, Ann Gross, Jean Vineall, Peter Cheshire, Mary Setchell, Beryl Ross-Martyn, Peter Riley, Marion Hirst, Rafferty Woods, Ruth Gall, David, Vernon, David, Jean and Gill Sheffield

~ those who receive communion visits at home or in residential care, Marion Hirst

~ the recently departed, Hugh Gilheaney, remembering their family and friends and all who loved and cared for them and mourn their loss.

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Notices

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place after the Sunday service on the 12th of May 2024.

Paperwork for the meeting can be found on our website at:

www.bromleyparishchurch.org/apcm

There you can find a Notice of Annual Parochial Church Meeting, Nomination form for election to the Parochial Church Council, Nomination form for election to the Deanery Synod, and a Nomination form for Churchwarden

From this Sunday, notice of the meeting will also be displayed in church, and hardcopies of the forms will be available at the back of the nave.

The 2024 financial statement and reports are required to be available for at least 7 days before the meeting. Hardcopies and digital copies will be available soon.

We strongly encourage you to use the digital versions of the forms and reports, if at all possible.

REVIEW OF THE ELECTORAL ROLL

In preparation for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, we are reviewing the Electoral Roll. This is not a full review; if you have filled in an application form in the last two years, no further action is required. If you would like your name to be added to the roll, please complete a form and return it to the email address below, or to the Parish office by **Sunday 28th April**.

Individual forms can be found on a table at the back of the church. We strongly encourage you to download the electronic version of the form (available from the APCM section of the website) and return it by email, to electoralroll@bromleyparishchurch.org. Please note that an electronic form sent from the personal email address of the applicant is regarded as being 'signed'.

The full Notice of Revision will be on display in church from this Sunday.

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For anyone who would like to read the papers for this year's APCM ahead of the meeting on the 12th of May a few copies are available at the back of church or can be found on our website.

If you would like your name to be added to the electoral roll please complete the application form found at the back of church and hand in to the church office by the end of today.

This Wednesday the Midweek Service takes place at 12noon followed by Private Prayer which this week will end at the slightly earlier time of 1.30pm. The Children's Chapel remains open.

Lychgate Lunch is this Wednesday the 1st of May at 12.30pm. All welcome to come and enjoy a two course home cooked lunch for £3.50 payable on the door. A sign up list is at the back of church - all welcome even if you haven't signed up!

Starter Packs donation morning this Saturday the 4th of May from 10am until 12noon in church. Help to make up packs ready for distributing will be welcome.

Our next Bank Holiday Organ Recital will be given by Dan Moulton on Monday the 6th of May at 11.30am. Refreshments from 10.30am. Free admission, retiring collection.

Looking ahead our service for Ascension Day will be on Thursday the 9th of May in church at 8pm

Bumps and Babies meets tomorrow Monday the 22nd of April from 10.30am. Babies under eighteen months their parents and parents to be are all welcome.

Toddler Praise is on this Tuesday the 23rd of April at 11.00am in the church rooms. Children under five and their adult all very welcome.

Churchyard Parking Permits are due for renewal on 1 May. If any church members would like to park in the churchyard during the week do please complete the application form available at the back of the church or drop me an email.

Thanks Richard Sammons rdsammons@hotmail.com

Bromley Little Theatre charity preview *Arrivals and Departures* by Alan Ayckbourn in support of Bromley Homeless Thursday 9 May 2024 at 7:45pm

Tickets £10 from events@bromleyhomeless.org

At Bromley Homeless, we are holding our first ever Supper Club! Have you ever wanted to see how a homeless charity works from the inside? Come and have dinner with us - we'll provide an evening of curries cooked by the fantastic Bromley-based restaurant Tamasha, followed by dessert. All food will be served by clients who use our services and, hopefully, you can walk away from the meal with a better understanding of homelessness - while also raising much needed funds for the charity. Tickets £20.00. For more information and to book tickets please click on the link:

<https://bromleyhomeless.charitysuite.com/events/k7qiygvr>

Donations to the work of the church may be made by scanning the QR code



The Week Ahead

9.15am Morning Prayer in the Children's Chapel

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this week

- Monday** 10.30am Bumps and Babies
12.30pm Church Administrators lunch
- Tuesday** 11.00am Toddler Praise
7.30pm Bell ringing practice
8.00pm Eco Committee meeting
- Wednesday** 12noon Midweek service
12.30pm - 1.30pm Private Prayer
2.00pm Funeral Hugh Gilheaney
- Thursday** 7.30pm Choir practice
- Saturday** 10am-12noon Starter Packs donations morning

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ST PETER &
ST PAUL
BROMLEY

2024 APCM

12TH MAY 2024
IN CHURCH

A KEY DATE IN THE LIFE OF OUR CHURCH AS
WE ELECT OUR PCC MEMBERS, CHURCH
WARDENS AND OTHER ROLES FOR THE YEAR
AHEAD

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Bumps & Babies

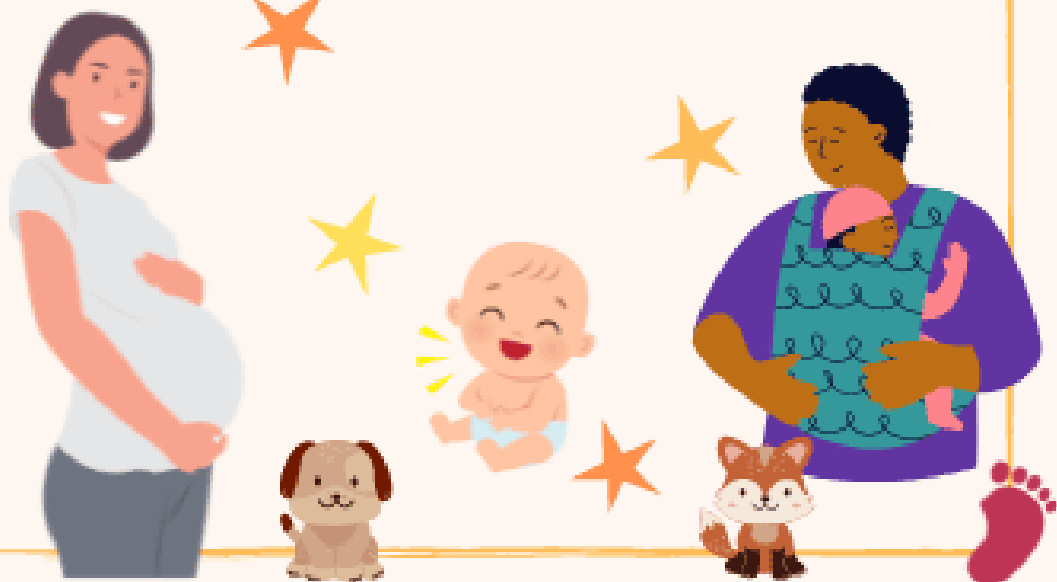


A group for babies 0-18 months,
their parents/carers and
parents to be.

Mondays

10:30am-midday

Bromley Parish Church



all are welcome