



BURSLEDON PARISH CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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Thank you

Thank you so very much for all my wonderful gifts and cards. Completely unexpected but very much appreciated. I shall very much enjoy them! I have been totally blown away by your love and generosity. So, from the bottom of my heart ... thank you, thank you, thank you.

Lots of love, Linda xx 😊

SUNDAY SERVICES

9.30am St Paul's Church

11.15am St Leonard's Church

* Sunday 9 August

08.00am BCP HC service **St L**
Summer Slow Down Service **St P**
Holy Communion Service **St L**

* Sunday 16 August

Summer Slow Down Service **St P**
Holy Communion Service **St L**

* Sunday 23 August

Summer Slow Down Service **St P**
Morning Worship Service **St L**

* M18 Prayers

Will be taking a break over the holidays and will return on Monday 7 September

* Mid Week Communion

Will be taking a break over the holidays and will return on Wednesday 2 September.



Summer Slowdown 2026

From 9th August, our Life Groups will be leading our Sunday services, and we'd love you to join us.

Each week will be a little different, as our Life Groups share their own ideas, experiences, and ways of worshipping together. It's a great opportunity to experience the warmth, creativity, and diversity of our church family.

As part of our Summer Slow Down series, these will be relaxed, café-style services, with coffee, tea, and pastries served during the service. It's a chance to slow down, connect with others, and enjoy worship in a welcoming and informal setting.

Whether you're part of a Life Group or would simply like to find out more, everyone is welcome.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Mothers Union

Following the success of the cake sale at St Paul's Church in July, the wonderful ladies from the Mothers' Union will be at St Leonard's Church with another cake sale after the service on Sunday 13th September. If you would like to know more about the Mothers' Union or get involved, please speak to Linette or Sheila.

Eco Feature

Bike Register Scheme

Did you know that you can register your bicycle for free with BikeRegister, the UK's national cycle database? By marking and registering your bike, it becomes much easier for the police to identify and return it if it is lost or stolen.

There is also an environmental benefit. Every time we choose to cycle instead of driving, we help reduce traffic, improve air quality, and lower carbon emissions. Keeping bikes safe and in use for longer means fewer resources are needed to replace stolen or discarded bicycles, making cycling an even more sustainable choice.

As we continue to think about how we care for God's creation, perhaps now is a good time to dust off your bike, make sure it is registered, and enjoy a greener way to travel.

The local neighbourhood policing team will be at **Victoria Country Park** in the following locations to register

your bike:

13 August 5.00pm–7.00pm in The Chapel

10 September 4.00pm–6.00pm in the Cedar Room Café

9 October 4.00pm–6.00pm in the Cedar Room Café

In other news

Café 2:4 St Paul's Church
Mon 10th & 24th August
2pm–4pm.
Everyone is invited for free
coffee & cake.



Dates for Your Diary:
Tuesday 22 September
Macmillan Coffee Morning
&
Friday 16 October
Quiz Night
(further details to follow)



John will be away from
10th–29th August.
During this time, please
contact the Parish Office,
who will be happy to help.
We wish John & Helen a
restful and enjoyable break!



The Make Lunch Team will be
at St Paul's Church every
Tuesday in August. You, your
friends & family are invited to
come for a free home-cooked
meal. Please call or text 07902
829491 to book your place(s).

**CONGRATULATIONS**

We send our warmest congratulations to Grace and Santi on the safe arrival of their daughter, Lucy.

This is a particularly special occasion for John and Helen, who are celebrating becoming first-time grandparents.

We give thanks for Lucy's birth and for the joy she has brought to the whole family.

Please keep Grace, Santi, Lucy, John, and Helen in your prayers. In particular, pray for Helen as she spends time with the family in Ecuador, and for John as he prepares to join them in August.

May they know God's blessing, peace, and protection as they enjoy this precious time together and begin this new chapter as grandparents.

"Every good and perfect gift is from above."
(James 1:17)

CHURCH WORK MORNING

Our next church work morning is actually in the afternoon!! And we would love your help. Whether you can spare an hour or the whole afternoon, your time will make a huge difference in helping us care for and improve our beautiful St Leonard's Church.

Many hands make light work, and every contribution is greatly appreciated.

For more information or to get involved, please contact the Parish Office. We look forward to seeing you there on

Thursday 13th August 1.00pm

Dont forget there is no service at St Paul's on Sunday 2 AUGust.

You are invited to St Leonard's Church for an All Age Service starting at 11.15am