

## NOTICES

From now on, **Parish Eucharist** every Sunday at St Laurence at 9.15am. Always welcome!

**Epiphany Chalk** is available for the blessing of your house at the back of church, including short instructions on how to do so, alone or together.

**Mondays at St John's:** 8.30am Morning Prayer, cleaning, 10.30am Mass, and 11am coffee.

Want to understand the Christian Faith more fully, or seeking for more depth? Join Fr Thomas for an introduction and in-depth discussion on 4 **Monday evenings** starting *January 26th 7.30pm*.

**Wednesdays at St Laurence:** open from 9.30am-12.30pm as a Welcome Space for all.

The rescheduled **Children and Youth Meeting** takes place at the Vicarage on *Wednesday 28 Jan 7.30pm* (immediately after the 7pm Mass). All welcome, especially if considering an offer to help with a new Youth Group or Sunday School.

**Saturday at St Laurence:** 10am Morning Prayer, 10.30am cleaning, 11.30am cookies & coffee.

The Book Club is on an a break till after Easter, but do reserve Friday evenings in Lent for a most exciting **Lent Course** with John Milton.

A consultation is taking place to discern who might become the **next Bishop of Oxford**. All are invited to give their online input via: <https://oxford.anglican.org/consultation>

St Matthew's Church are inviting all to **'Wardrobes and Rings'** on *Jan 30th 7.30pm* for an introduction by professor Simon Horobin and author Julia Golding on the Inklings. £10/£7.50.

**APCM** to be held at St John's on Sunday 8 March 12.30pm, and Electoral Roll revision from 8/2.

The Parish of South with New Hinksey  
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### THIS WEEK'S SERVICES AT ST JOHN'S:

- Mon-Sat 8.30am Morning Prayer
- Mon 10.30am Low Mass
- Wed 7pm Low Mass
- Sunday 10.45am High Mass

### NEXT SERVICES AT ST LAURENCE:

Sunday 1 February - 9.15am Holy Communion  
Saturday 7 February - 10am Morning Prayer  
Sunday 8 February - 9.15am Holy Communion



### Donations:

*In the offering plate, card machine, or by BACS:*

Name: PCC of South with New Hinksey  
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(We warmly encourage regular giving. Do discuss options with the Treasurer, including the Parish Giving Scheme: [treasurer@hinkseychurch.org](mailto:treasurer@hinkseychurch.org).)

*or by scanning this QR code:*



A very warm welcome to Church!



## The Conversion of St Paul 25 January 2026 AD



*The Conversion of St Paul, Hans Baldung Grien, 1514*

*Now as Saul went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him. And falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?"*

Acts 9:4-5

Today Fr Thomas Fink-Jensen is the Celebrant and preacher, Fr Richard Smail deacons, and Mr Jacob Singh subdeacons.

## **Opening Hymn: 155**

**The Collects:** O God, who, through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Saint Paul, hast caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world: Grant, we beseech thee, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may shew forth our thankfulness unto thee for the same, by following the holy doctrine which he taught; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be honour and glory, world without end. **Amen.**

## **For the Epistle: Acts 9:1-22**

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:*

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him. And falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I

have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; and taking food he was strengthened

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **Gradual Hymn: 215 (t. 434)**

## **The Gospel: Matthew 19:27-end**

The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.**  
Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew, **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Peter said in reply, "See, we have left everything and followed you. What then will we have?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of Man will sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters

or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold and will inherit eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last first.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

## **Offertory Hymn: 216**

**Offertory Prayer:** Receive we beseech thee, O Lord, the gifts which of thine own bounty we offer unto thee: that, by the mighty working of thy grace, these most sacred mysteries may both sanctify our conversation in this life present and bring us to everlasting joys. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Communion Hymn: 227 (t. 184)**

**Post-Communion Prayer:** O Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Recessional Hymn: 368**

## **This Week's Daily Bible Readings**

Week of the Third Sunday after Epiphany – January 26 to 31

	<i>Morning Prayer</i>		<i>Evening Prayer</i>	
<i>Mon</i>	Habakkuk 1	1 Cor 7	Habakkuk 2	1 Cor 8
<i>Tue</i>	Habakkuk 3:2-end	1 Cor 9	Zephaniah 1	1 Cor 10:1-11:1
<i>Wed</i>	Zephaniah 2	1 Cor 11:2-end	Zephaniah 3	1 Cor 12:1-27
<i>Thu</i>	Zechariah 11	1 Cor 12:27-13:end	Zechariah 13	1 Cor 14:1-19
<i>Fri</i>	Malachi 1	1 Cor 14:20-end	Malachi 2:1-16	1 Cor 15:1-34
<i>Sat</i>	Malachi 2:17-3:12	1 Cor 15:35-end	Malachi 3:13-4:end	1 Cor 16