



### Trinity 1— 10:00am Holy Communion

Hosea 5:15-6:6, Rom. 4:13-end, Matt. 9:9-13, 18-26

#### Collect

God of truth, help us to keep your law of love and to walk in ways of wisdom, that we may find true life in Jesus Christ Your Son. Amen

#### Hymns

461 My Jesus, my Saviour  
244 Gracious God, in adoration  
Here is love vast as the ocean  
752 Will you come and follow me

#### Prayers List

We pray growth in numbers, in spiritual commitment to the Gospel of Christ and in service to our local communities. Amen.

**Preacher:** Robert Stevenson

**Lead:** Rev'd Pelumi Adeyemi

#### Sunday Service Zoom Link:

ID: 896 6125 2194; Passcode 050845

### Giving at St Francis Church

Regular giving makes a real difference, helping us plan long-term projects and ministry to share the love of Christ with all people.

If you would like to set up a standing order, please use the details below:

Account Name: **St Francis & St Clares Parochial Church Council**

Sort Code: **40-22-26**

Account Number: **91303368**

Reference: Giving/[SURNAME]

Alternatively, if you would like to make a secure one-off donation by credit or debit card, please use the payment point in church or scan the QR code

If applicable, please also tick the Gift Aid box.

God bless you.



### Highlight from last Sunday by Rev'd Pelumi Adeyemi

Trinity Sunday signifies a pivotal moment in my ministry, when God confirmed our calling to lead at St Francis Church. The Trinity, consisting of God the Father (Love), God the Son (Grace), and God the Holy Spirit (Fellowship), is the ultimate source of all life and light. This mirrors my rebirth (as well as yours), akin to creation, where the Spirit enveloped me in darkness, ushering in Christ's light and life.

In moments of emotional turmoil, Isaiah 40 offers a cognitive reset and divine provision. David's flight from King Saul, led him through lands of the Philistines who also sought his life. He feigned insanity to escape, and later David declared God's closeness to the broken-hearted in Psalm 34:17-18.

Jesus commissioned us to make disciples, to teach and baptize in a Trinitarian manner that reflects His own baptism. Claire's affirmation of baptism by immersion on Pentecost, underscores the importance of living in the fellowship of The Trinity. Apostle Paul's unconditional love and fellowship during his restoration quest in Corinth exemplifies this. His concluding prayer in the letter to the Corinthians invokes the Trinity, seeking grace, love, and fellowship for the brethren— in a prayer, commonly said today as The Grace.

Please visit and subscribe to our [YouTube Channel @StfrancisGuildford45](#) for more.

## Volunteers Needed

### **Food Share Helpers Needed**

John is having to retire from collecting for Foodshare, which he has been doing faithfully every Thursday morning. His dedication has been invaluable. We urgently need a new volunteer to take over this crucial task of collecting food from the two local co-ops and delivering it to St Francis Church. If you're interested, please speak to *Diane, Val H, or Pelumi*. Your contribution is greatly appreciated.

### **Safeguarding Help Needed**

We are committed to safeguarding as an integral part of ministry and mission, promoting a safer culture and the welfare for all. We are

looking to strengthen our team to ensure our church is a safe place for all, particularly children and vulnerable adults. If you have a heart for protection and can help with promoting good practice, please speak to Robert or Pelumi

### **Want the Best Seat on Sunday Morning?**

Are you interested in joining an awesome team of "audio geeks"? The Audiovisuals Ministry is looking for volunteers to help run our sound desk and PowerPoint slides. You don't need to be an expert—we will train you! In just a short time, you'll be an essential part of making our worship services happen. Please speak to Robert or Pelumi

## **Bishop's Gathering for Guildford Emmanuel Church Stoughton on Wednesday 10 June (7pm for 7.30pm)**

We have all been warmly invited to meet, pray and worship with Bishop Paul, Bishop of Dorking and now Acting Bishop of Guildford, at the Bishop's Gathering for Guildford Deanery hosted by Emmanuel Church on Wednesday 10 June.

There will be a reception at 7pm, followed by the Bishop's Gathering which will begin at 7.30pm and conclude by 9pm. All, including young people, are welcome.

We will be celebrating all that God is doing across Guildford Deanery and discussing our next steps with Bishop Paul in his new role, so it should be an inspirational evening. Do come if you can.

Emmanuel Church is located at 1 Shepherds Lane, Stoughton, Guildford GU2 9SJ and there is ample unrestricted parking on the roads surrounding the church.

**BISHOP PAUL'S**

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**GATHERINGS**

Join Bishop Paul for an evening to **celebrate** what God is doing in your local area. **Pray, worship** and **explore** our next steps

**BISHOP'S GATHERING FOR GUILDFORD**  
Wednesday 10 June at 7pm for 7.30pm  
at Emmanuel Church, Shepherds Lane,  
Stoughton, Guildford GU2 9SJ

For more information [cofeguildford.org.uk/bishopsgatherings](https://cofeguildford.org.uk/bishopsgatherings)

## We need God in all we do; prayer is key

### Please Pray for Growth

'God of Mission, who alone brings growth to your Church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, joy to our worship and power to our witness. Help St Francis, St Clares and Emmanuel Churches to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

**The Prayer Room** by the narthex is open daily from 9am—5:30pm. If you feel burdened, come in to pray for yourself, for someone else, for issues that worry you or simply step inside to reflect in the presence of God. Each week, we pray for families in church and the community. You could send requests to [prayers@stfrancisstclareguildford.org.uk](mailto:prayers@stfrancisstclareguildford.org.uk)

## Important Dates (June 2026)

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event (Time)</b>
<b>1</b>	Leadership meeting (7.30pm)
<b>2</b>	Hear Here Audiology Clinic
<b>8</b>	Café Church (10:00 am)
<b>9</b>	Tea & Skittles (2-4pm)
<b>10</b>	PCC Meeting @St Francis (7:30 pm)
<b>15</b>	St Francis Book club @ 10 Weston Road

## Keep Going .... A Poem by Edgar Guest (The Detroit Free Press; 4 March 1921)

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,  
And the road you're trudging seems all uphill,  
When the funds are low and the debts are high,  
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh,  
When care is pressing you down a bit,  
Rest if you must, but don't you quit.

Life is queer with its twists and turns,  
As every one of us sometimes learns.  
And many a failure turns about  
When he might have won had he stuck it out.  
Don't give up though the pace seems slow,  
You may succeed with another blow.

Often the goal is nearer than it seems  
To a faint and faltering man.  
Often the struggler has given up when he  
Might have captured the victor's cup,  
And he learned too late when the night slipped  
down, How close he was to the golden crown.

Success is failure turned inside out,  
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt,  
And you never can tell how close you are.  
It may be near when it seems afar.  
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit.  
It's when things seem worst that  
You musn't quit.

*Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters,  
whenever you face trials of many  
kinds, because you know that the testing of  
your faith produces perseverance. Let  
perseverance finish its work so that you may be  
mature and complete, not lacking anything.*

**James 1:2-4 (NIV)**



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## Newsletter Contributions & Enquiries

For contributions or enquiries on Baptism, marriage etc, please contact Valerie by phone (01483571018) or in person on Wednesdays from 12-4:00pm or via email: [admin@stfrancisstclareguildford.org.uk](mailto:admin@stfrancisstclareguildford.org.uk)

***For your testimonies, God-incidents or coincidences witnessed or experienced,*** please submit entries of 150 words to: [testimonies@stfrancisstclareguildford.org.uk](mailto:testimonies@stfrancisstclareguildford.org.uk)

You may choose to remain anonymous, however, please note: by submitting your story, you agree we can share your testimony via the print and digital platforms of St Francis Church.

## Safeguarding

We are committed to safeguarding as an integral part of ministry and mission, promoting a safer culture and the welfare of all people safe at St Francis Church. We have adopted the Church of England's 'Promoting a Safer Church Policy for children, young people and vulnerable adults.

**If you have any concerns, please contact the Minister (Pelumi), the Warden (Robert) or the Parish Safeguarding Officer (Steve)**

## Other programs

### Morning Prayers on Zoom

***Tuesdays (9:30)***

Do please join us if you can. *ID: 829 9475 0223; Passcode 104258*

### Hear, here NHS Clinics

***Tuesdays (9:30-11:00 am)***

A Diocese of Guildford project in partnership with Sight for Surrey and the NHS, where our NHS audiology-trained volunteers provides community-based hearing aid maintenance.

### Community Foodshare

***Open Mondays – Saturdays (9 am – 4pm), Sundays (12:00-4:00pm)***