



St. Paul's Episcopal Church
McHenry, IL



March 1, 2023

***Sunday Worship with St. Paul's
In-person and on Zoom
10:30 am***

Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/98034316249>

Meeting ID: 980 3431 6249
To dial in: 312-626-6799



Our next outing will be TOMORROW, Thursday, March 2 at 11:30 am. We'll gather at Bulldog Alehouse in McHenry. Hope to see you there!

Coffee and Conversation

Last Sunday, we resumed an old custom of St. Paul's commonly known as Coffee and Conversation. We will use our coffee time together to discuss the lectionary readings for that Sunday. Each week, as we bring our insights, thoughts, and questions to the table, we will go deeper into what the readings have to offer. No worries! No prior theological study is required. God speaks to us all.



Easter Flowers

It's that time of year when we contribute to the beauty of the sanctuary with Easter flowers! You may also donate to our Food for Thought program. Order forms will be available in the Sunday bulletins or you may download the form by [clicking here](#) and mailing it in. Flower orders are due by March 16.



For all the Saints

St. Chad of Lichfield, c. 629-672

Saint Chad was born in Northumbria; he was the eldest of four brothers, all of whom became priests. When Chad was a young man, he was chosen by Saint Aidan to be prepared for the priesthood under his own tutelage. After St. Aiden died, Chad traveled to Ireland to live as a monk and study scripture with the famous teacher Saint Egbert.

- Chad later returned to Northumbria to live as a monk in a monastery founded by his younger brother.
- After his brother became Bishop of London, Chad became the abbot of the monastery.
- A short time later, King Oswy named Abbot Chad Bishop of Northumbria.
- Bishop Chad ruled his diocese with humility and diligence. He traveled everywhere on foot, preaching in towns and hamlets.
- Due to an ecclesiastical dispute, Archbishop Theodore declared Bishop Chad's appointment illegitimate. Chad humbly relinquished his See saying to the Archbishop, "If you believe that I have not received proper episcopal ordination, I willingly resign the office, for I never thought myself worth of it." With great relief Chad hurried back to his monastery and simple life.
- The Archbishop, so moved and impressed by Chad's humility, re-consecrated Chad and appointed him Bishop of Mercia.
- Chad established his Cathedral at Lichfield which to this day remains the See city of the diocese.
- He founded a monastery at Borrow in Lincolnshire and traveled far ministering to his people and spreading Christianity so effectively that kingdom never again reverted to pagan beliefs.
- One day a close friend told Chad that he had heard music coming from the sky. Chad replied, "If you have heard, keep it to yourself; but know that it was the breath of angels who promised to fetch me in seven days' time to the heavenly home which I have always longed for."
- Within seven days, Chad fell ill with the plague and died on March 2, 672.
- Saint Chad's bones remain in Saint Chad's Roman Catholic Cathedral in Birmingham, UK.

Deacon Deborah Lang

Lenten Opportunities

Centering Prayer

Saturdays 9:30 am, St. Ann's Episcopal Church, Woodstock

Compline

*Details: Tuesday nights (**beginning February 28**), 8:00 pm on Zoom.*

Zoom meeting link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85315442428>

Phone number: 1 312 626 6799, Meeting ID: 853 1544 2428

Midweek Mass (Rite 1) at St. Mary's Crystal Lake

Wednesdays, noon, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Crystal Lake.

Simple Supper and Stations of the Cross at St. Ann's, Woodstock

Details: Thursdays, 6 pm, St. Ann's Episcopal Church, Woodstock

Holy Week

Palm Sunday at St. Paul's

10:30 am

Maundy Thursday, April 6

St. Ann's, Woodstock

Agape Meal 6:00 pm, Service 7:00 pm

Good Friday, April 7

Stations of the Cross and Good Friday Liturgy

St. Paul's, 12:00 pm

Good Friday Service at FUMC, 7:00 pm

Stations of the Cross and Good Friday Liturgy

St. Mary's, Crystal Lake at 6:30 pm

Saturday, April 8

Easter Vigil at St. Ann's, Woodstock, 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday at St. Paul's

10:30 am

Upper Room

The March/April Upper Room Devotionals are also available, either in the basket or on the table in the Narthex. Large print editions are on the table as well.

St. Paul's Prayer List

Week of March 5 - March 12

Please keep those on our prayer list in your thoughts during this time. If you wish to add to the list, please contact the church office.

Ongoing prayers: Yasmin, Kay, and Jerry

Current prayers: Rory, Bonnie, Jane, Jimmy, Cindy, Todd, Justine, Bobbi, Glenn, and Terry

For our MCC scholarship recipients: Ashley, Ciara, Julia, Yaksi, and Gavin

For those celebrating birthdays: Jan Carlstedt (Mar 9), Heather Dodge (Mar 10)

Questions or concerns?

Please contact our Senior Warden - Beth Lukas: Gramlukas2@gmail.com

In need of pastoral care?

Please contact Rev. Eileen Shanley-Roberts: shanleyroberts@gmail.com

or

Deborah Lang, our Deacon: DeaconDeb@stpaulmchenry.com

Office Hours

Tuesday 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

Thursday 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

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