

Bexley Phoenix Choir

Directed by John MacKenzie

Saturday 16th August - 7pm

St Mary-the-Less Church, Village Street, Chilbolton

Come and hear this vibrant young choir with a repertoire including romantic era to folk, gospel to popular contemporary.

Tickets £10 (Students £5 and schoolchildren free)

Tickets from Lesley - 01264 860 584

The Winchester Morris Men are performing locally

Wednesday 16th July: Abbots Mitre, Chilbolton - 7.45pm

Wednesday 23rd July: The Plough Sparsholt - 7.30pm

Wednesday 23rd July: The village pond, Crawley – 8.30pm

Wednesday 23rd July: The Fox, Crawley – 9pm

Winchester Hospice Purple Night Walk

Saturday 20th September

This much-loved event returns slightly earlier than usual to coincide with the hospice's 4th birthday. Last year, 250 people joined us on our walk through the city and helped raise over £40,000 to support the care of local people living with a life-limiting illness.

Plans for this year's event are now in full swing and further details about what to expect will be released soon but, for now, sign up below and start planning your best purple outfit!

<https://winchester-hospice-purple-night-walk-2025.raiselysite.com/>

Save the Dates!

Littleton and Harestock Show – **Saturday 6th September** and Show Service on **Sunday 7th September** at 10.00 am.

Please send all items for Across the Downs to Carol Ward: email carol.ward@daleclose.co.uk, or telephone 01962 883185, by 12.00 noon Thursday at the latest. **If you would like to receive future editions of the newsletter by email, please contact me on the above address.** Thank you.

Across the Downs

*Church News Sheet for the Downs Parishes of
Chilbolton, Crawley, Littleton, Sparsholt and Wherwell
Rector: Revd Kevin Rogers 01962 880845*

Sunday 6th July 2025



Services for Sunday 6th July 2025

Third Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am (Ch) Holy Communion

10.00 am (Cr) Morning Prayer

4.00 pm (Li) Café Church, in the Church Room



Services for Sunday 13th July 2025

Fourth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am (Li) Family Communion

10.00 am (Wh) Morning Prayer

Prayer for the Week – *Third Sunday after Trinity*

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Readings: Isaiah 66: 10-14 Galatians 6: 7-16
Luke 10: 1-11; 16-20 Psalm 66: 1-8

Banns of Marriage

(Li)	David Batchelor & Ella Clark	1 st Time of Reading
(Sp)	Matthew Light & Paula Farrugia	1 st Time of Reading
(Wh)	Charlie Elliott & Daisy Rae	1 st Time of Reading
(Sp & Ch)	Jonty Drew & Emma Taylor	1 st Time of Reading

TODAY - Wherwell School Summer Fete

Sunday 6th July, 12pm – 3.30 pm

We're looking forward to welcoming you to our Summer fete on the 6th July.

£1 adults, Kids go free.

Bouncy Castles, Games, Face Painting, BBQ, Cake, Ice Cream, Live Music and Raffle. Free parking

Chilbolton Coffee Mornings

Chilbolton Village Hall

10.30-12 noon

Saturday 19th July and Saturday 16th August

Coffee/Tea and biscuits

£1.50 per head

Bring family and friend to support your village hall.

Westholme Summer BBQ

Thursday 17th July from 12.30pm

Live Music

£5 per head (Food ticket collected from Reception on the day)

All your favourite BBQ foods with Vegetarian options and lots of salads

DIARY

Monday 7th July

10.00–11.30am (Li) St Catherine's Toddler Group. *Contact Carol Coleman, 01962 881886*

2.30 pm (Wh) *Wherwell House Group. Contact Susan Ansell or the Benefice Office for details*

Tuesday 8th July

2.15pm Westholme Holy Communion

7.30 pm (Li) Littleton Housegroup, 2 Valley Rd, Littleton

Wednesday 9th July

Thursday 10th July

4.15 pm (Li) Prayers for those on the Benefice Prayer List, in the Church Room

Friday 11th July

Saturday 12th July

Wherwell Meditations

To complete this series of meditations, we will be back in **Wherwell Church**:

20th July, 6pm Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Lutheran pastor, theologian and anti-Nazi dissident. 1906 – 1945

The meditations begin at 6pm and run for just over half an hour, and are followed by refreshments and time to chat.

Parish Magazine Deadline

A reminder that copy for the August and September 2025 edition of the Crawley, Littleton and Sparsholt Parish Magazine should be submitted by 12 noon, **Friday 11th July** at the latest. Details of where to send your article or information can be found at the back of the current magazine.