

NEWSLETTER

for the Three Saints Benefice of St Bartholomew and St Lawrence with St Swithun-upon-Kingsgate, Winchester

12th October 2025 The 17th Sunday after Trinity

10.00am Holy Communion

at St Bartholomew

10.00am Morning Worship

at St Lawrence *

Readings: 2 Kings 5.1-3, 7-15c;

2 Timothy 2.8-15;

Luke 17.11-19

Hymns: 628, 413, 467, 777

6pm Holy Communion at St Swithun *

Readings: Nehemiah 8.1-16;

John 15.12-27

Hymns: 96, 379, 796, 743



Leprosy Mission, Myanmar www.leprosymission.org.uk

* These services are also live-streamed for worshipping at home, using YouTube from St Lawrence and Zoom from St Swithun. Please see www.threesaints.org.uk/services for the codes, or click these direct links for YouTube at 10am or Zoom worship at 6pm.

PRAYER GROUPS - new members always welcome:

Morning Prayer: every Friday at 9am at St Lawrence.

Julian Group: every Tuesday at 2.30pm. Contact Sue Tisdall 851621. **Benefice prayer group:** 3rd Monday of the month, 11am. Contact Sue.

Members of the former West View and Alleyne House prayer group continue to pray individually on Wednesdays at 11am.

Help is Available for any who are struggling at this time:

• Listening Service at St Lawrence: run by the City Centre Chaplaincy on the first and third Tuesday of the month, 12.30pm-1.30pm. The next one is on 21st October, a chance to talk to a trained volunteer about whatever is on your mind, and to find information about support agencies (please note this is not a counselling service).

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

The World:

- For the people of Gaza, for access to aid, food and water; for the consolidation and sustainability of the first phase peace agreement signed on 9th October; for the smooth release of all hostages;
- for the Jewish community in this country and an end to anti-semitism;
- for peace in Ukraine;
- for the welfare of all civilians in all war zones; for the safe delivery of humanitarian aid; for the work of hospitals and medical staff;
- for the safety of refugees and migrants;

The Church:

- for King Charles in his recovery from cancer;
- for Bishop Sarah Mullally, the Archbishop of Canterbury designate;
- for the Ven. Kelly Betteridge as she prepares to become the new Bishop of Basingstoke on 15th October;
- with the Deanery, for Holy Trinity parish, with Jamie Franklin and Phil Collins;
- for the refurbishment works at St Bartholomew's;
- for Johan van Biljon training for ordination, and Judith Thomson on the BCM Children & Youth course;

Local concerns:

- for the City Centre Chaplains and those they serve;
- for our community of adults with learning disabilities and those who support them;
- for our Little Wrigglers;
- for all staff and pupils at St Bede School;
- for all who are embarking on a new chapter in their lives.

The sick, housebound, those in care homes, and all carers; John A, Debbie B, Justin B, Maureen D, Sarah G, Ann G, Val H, Hugh P, Keith T, Sue T, Bruce W, Hugh W.

Those who mourn, especially the family and friends of Graham Michael.

Anniversary of death: General Sir Antony Walker; Betty Fielding; Brigitte Gardner.

More help available:

- "Renew Café" a wellbeing café, every Tuesday and Thursday 2pm-4pm at the Salvation Army Hall, Parchment Street.
- The Samaritans 24-hr free helpline from any phone, on 116 123
- Domestic Abuse 24-hr free helpline 0808 2000 247
- Winchester Citizens Advice: free phone 0808 278 7861
- Meals on Wheels: visit www.hils-uk.org/support-at-home/meals

NOTICES

Autumn Study Groups: we will be exploring the Nicene Creed in a 5-week course beginning w/c 3rd November. Sign-up forms must be returned **today** please (12th October).

St Lawrence temporary closure: please note that the church will be closed from Monday 13th to Friday 17th October, while scaffolding is in place and work is carried out to replace the leaking rooflight. Morning Prayer on the Friday will take place at St Swithun-upon-Kingsgate.

Temporary change to the service pattern affecting the morning services on 19th and 26th October: please check the listing on the back page.

St Bartholomew building works: Phase 1 is now scheduled to run from 20th October 2025 until 9th March 2026. This will see the creation of a new level access path and a doorway in through the north wall; a new internal lobby area incorporating the stained glass from the northwest window; two extra toilets; the old font relocated to near the main entrance steps; preparatory electrical work in advance of the installation (in Phase 2) of air source heat pumps. For the duration of the project, the church will not be accessible on weekdays, except for funerals and some pre-arranged dates. Weekend use of the church will continue as normal except that the existing level access path and doorway will be unavailable, but extra support will be available for any who need help with the steps down from the main door. Music will be played on the piano while the organ is kept wrapped up for protection from building dust. We hope to keep disruption down to a minimum but apologise for any inconvenience this phase may cause.

King Alfred Weekend at St Bartholomew: our special commemorative service for the life and legacy of King Alfred takes place on Sunday 26th October, in the presence of the Mayor and Mayoress of Winchester, followed by the laying of flowers on the grave sites in Hyde Abbey Garden. Hyde900 events planned for the weekend include a concert by Cambridge Renaissance Voices (Friday 24th at 7.15pm), AGM (Saturday at 11am) and a lecture on the 'real' Magna Carta, marking the 800th anniversary of its final version (Saturday at 7pm). For tickets and details please visit www.hyde900.org.uk/events/upcoming-events

All Souls Service, 2nd November: if you would like a loved one remembered at this service (6pm at St Lawrence and on YouTube), please email Sara in the office **by 10am on Wednesday, 29th October.** If you are planning to be in church, please also state how many people will be in your party, so that we can manage numbers for refreshments afterwards.

Please Continue to Support our Ministry and Care for our Buildings

<u>Online:</u> Please visit <u>www.threesaints.org.uk/support-us</u> to make one-off donations to either parish or to set up a regular gift.

By phone: Please phone the Parish Giving Scheme 0333 002 1271 (M - F 9am-5pm) with your bank account details, church/parish name and PGS parish code (416007201 for St B, or 416007241 for St L with St S).

<u>By cheque</u> (sent via the Parish Office): payable to 'The PCC of Hyde' for St Bartholomew's parish, or payable to 'St Lawrence with St Swithun PCC' for St Lawrence with St Swithun parish. Thank you very much.

LOOKING AHEAD

13th-17th October Tuesday, 14th October **Sunday, 19th October** 18th Sunday after Trinity

Wed. 22nd October
Friday 24th October
Saturday 25th October
Sunday, 26th October
King Alfred Sunday
Bible Sunday
Sunday, 2nd Nov.
All Saints Sunday
All Souls
Wed. 5th November
Friday, 7th Nov.
Sunday, 9th Nov.
Remembrance Sunday
3rd before Advent

St Lawrence Church closed for repairs 10.30am Coffee Morning at St Bartholomew 10am Holy Communion* at St Bartholomew 10am Morning Worship* at St Lawrence 2.30pm Thanksgiving for Sheila Sanger at St B 6pm Evensong at St Swithun 2.30pm TakeTime Meditation at St Lawrence 7.15pm Cambridge Renaissance Voices at St B 7pm 'The real Magna Carta' lecture at St Bart's 10am King Alfred Service at St Bartholomew 10am Holy Communion* at St Lawrence 6pm Evensong at St Swithun 10am All Together at St Bartholomew 10am Holy Communion at St Lawrence 6pm All Souls Service at St Lawrence 10.30am BCP Holy Communion at St Lawrence 10am Coffee Morning at St Lawrence 10.30am Remembrance Service at St Bart's 10.45am Remembrance Service at St Lawrence 6pm Holy Communion at St Swithun

* temporary change to normal pattern

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We welcome contributions relevant to our parishes: please send items to Sara by noon on Wednesday of each week, preferably by email to office@threesaints.org.uk (or phone 01962 849434).

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