



# NEWSLETTER

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

**5<sup>th</sup> October 2025**  
**Harvest**

**10.00am Harvest Service  
at St Bartholomew**

*Reading:* John 6.28-35

*Hymns:* 617, 470, 801, 275

**10.00am Holy Communion  
at St Lawrence \***

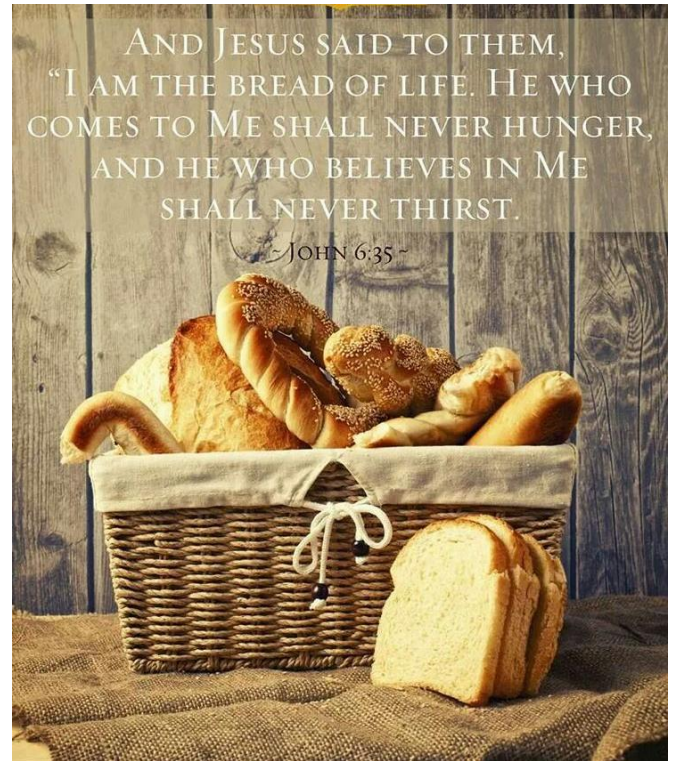
*Readings:* Deuteronomy 26.1-11;  
Philippians 4.4-9;  
John 6.25-35

*Hymns:* 617, 470, 801, 275

**6pm Harvest Praise at St Swithun \***

*Readings:* Genesis 1.26 - 2.3;  
Colossians 1.15-20

*Hymns:* 195, 10, 563, 201



*unattributed*

\* 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](http://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:** 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 **7<sup>th</sup> 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, and for a solution in the conflict with Israel that leads to peace;
- for the Jewish community in Manchester and an end to anti-semitism;
- for the peace talks for the future of 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 15<sup>th</sup> October;
- for the those working to appoint the next Dean of the Cathedral;
- with the Deanery, for all Synod members; members of the Mission & Pastoral and Finance Committees;
- for the refurbishment works at St Bartholomew's, due to begin soon;
- 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, Diana C, Maureen D, Ann G, Sara G, Val H, Hugh P, Keith T, Sue T, Bruce W, Hugh W.

**Those who mourn,** especially the family and friends of Lorraine Byrne.

### 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](http://www.hils-uk.org/support-at-home/meals)

## NOTICES

**“Be Still, Be Silent”:** the poetry of David Scott, former Rector of St Lawrence with St Swithun, is celebrated in a new book by John Mann, to be launched at St Lawrence on **10<sup>th</sup> October** at 2pm. All welcome.

**St Bartholomew’s Refurbishment:** We anticipate that the work will begin on 20<sup>th</sup> October, so Little Wrigglers will meet on 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> October and then pause until the spring. A **working party** is being formed to clear the north aisle, on **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October** 10am-12 noon. If you could help please contact Andy Wainewright. In the meantime the stonemason has taken delivery of the Camino waymarker and will be installing it soon.

**Choral Evensong with the Alleyn Singers:** all are welcome to this special service on **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October** at 5pm at St Lawrence, offered by the choir as a warm-up for their performance at Romsey Abbey on the Sunday.

**Autumn Study Groups:** we will be exploring the Nicene Creed, as this year marks the 1700th anniversary of the Creed, first formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325 AD. Christians around the world are celebrating its enduring significance, as it not only shapes our theology but also unites us in faith across traditions. To guide our reflections, we will be using the Church of England’s *We Believe* booklet, which offers 24 daily readings that we will unpack together in our weekly groups. The 5-week course will begin w/c 3rd November and sign-up forms are available in the churches, for return **by 12<sup>th</sup> October**.

**St Lawrence temporary closure:** please note that the church will be closed from **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> 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 **19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> October**: please check the listing on the back page.

**King Alfred Weekend at St Bartholomew:** our special commemorative service for the life and legacy of King Alfred takes place on **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October**, 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 24<sup>th</sup> at 7.15pm), AGM (Saturday at 11am) and a lecture on the ‘real’ Magna Carta, marking the 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its final version (Saturday at 7pm). For tickets and details please visit [www.hyde900.org.uk/events/upcoming-events](http://www.hyde900.org.uk/events/upcoming-events)

**All Souls Service, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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, 29<sup>th</sup> 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

**Online:** Please visit [www.threesaints.org.uk/support-us](http://www.threesaints.org.uk/support-us) 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).

**By cheque** (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

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October  
Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October

**Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> October**  
*17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after  
Trinity*

13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> October  
Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> October  
**Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> October**  
*18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after  
Trinity*

Wed. 22<sup>nd</sup> October  
**Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> October**  
*King Alfred Sunday  
Bible Sunday*  
**Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov**  
*All Saints Sunday  
All Souls*

1.30pm **Funeral of Lorraine Byrne** at St Bart's  
2pm **"Be Still, Be Silent"** book launch at St L  
10am **Working Party** at St Bartholomew  
5pm **Choral Evensong** at St L with Alleyn Singers  
10am **Holy Communion** at St Bartholomew  
10am **Morning Worship** at St Lawrence  
6pm **Holy Communion** at St Swithun  
**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  
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

*\* 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](mailto:office@threesaints.org.uk) (or phone 01962 849434).

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