



NEWSLETTER

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

18th January 2026

Sunday of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

NO SERVICE at St Bartholomew

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

Readings: Isaiah 58.6-11
Ephesians 4.1-13
John 15.1-12

Hymns: 96, 33, 91, 201

6pm Evensong at St Swithun*

Readings: Psalm 133
Isaiah 11.1-9
John 17.20-26

Hymns: 702, 491, 454



The True Vine by Paolo Medina, 2021,
https://www.absolutearts.com/painting_acrylic/paolo_medinathe_true_vine-1629839153.html

* These services are 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 20th January, 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).
- **The Samaritans** 24-hr free helpline from any phone, on 116 123

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

The World:

- for international co-operation and respect for democracy; for the people of Venezuela and Greenland;
- for the humanitarian relief efforts in Gaza and Ukraine, and for those who work for peace and reconciliation;
- for the welfare of civilians in all war zones;
- for those affected by extreme weather;

The Church:

- for fruitful ecumenical and inter-faith relationships across the world;
- for the leaders and people in all the Christian denominations represented in Winchester, and the work of Churches Together;
- for Christians suffering persecution or oppression;
- for survivors of abuse and healthy cultures within the Church;
- for HM King Charles and the Royal Family;
- for Bishop Sarah Mullally, the Archbishop of Canterbury-elect;
- with the Deanery, for all who offer ministry under the Bishop's Commission for Mission or other Diocesan authorisations, including Chris Dey, Nick Goulding and Judith Thomson;
- for Johan van Biljon in his training for ordination;

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.

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

Those who mourn, especially the friends and family of Mary "Betty" Watson, and at their year's mind, Jean Coggan, Crawford McKinlay and Joan Reynolds.

More help available:

- "Renew Café" a wellbeing café, every Tuesday and Thursday 2pm-4pm at the Salvation Army Hall, Parchment Street
- 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

Safeguarding concerns should be reported to:

safeguarding.stls@threesaints.org.uk for St Lawrence with St Swithun parish, or safeguarding.stbarts@threesaints.org.uk for St Bartholomew.

NOTICES

The Life and Career of Agatha Christie: all are welcome to this talk by Cllr Angela Clear **on Friday 23rd January**, 7pm at Abbey House, Winchester, in aid of the Mayor's charities. Tickets £15 each from www.winchester.gov.uk/mayor-of-winchester

Winchester Prayer Gathering organised by Churches Together, 8pm on **Monday 2nd February** at Christ Church, including an update from Jo Pellatt on refugees. All are welcome.

Could this be you? We are most grateful to the current postholders for their service in the following roles which will shortly become vacant:

- **Electoral Roll Officer at St Bartholomew:** the purpose of this post is to make the formal annual review of the electoral roll in time for the Annual Church Meetings, and to maintain the list of members through the rest of the year. Please contact Jeannette Archdeacon to find out more, by emailing jeannette.archdeacon@googlemail.com
- **Safeguarding Officer at St Bartholomew:** are you organised and computer-literate? This role uses an online safeguarding dashboard to enable our volunteers to keep up-to-date with their safeguarding training and ensure that the PCC is carrying out its responsibilities in line with safeguarding policy. Full training will be provided by the Diocese and support will be available during the handover from Rosie Duffy (the current postholder). To find out more please contact Rosie by emailing safeguarding.stbarts@threesaints.org.uk

Are you part of an organisation, group or club looking for meeting space? Consider the St Lawrence Parish Room on Colebrook Street, with a full kitchen (including all china, cutlery, glassware, oven, hob, microwave, & dishwasher), accessible entry and toilets, and tables and chairs. The carpeted room accommodates 50 people and there is parking for up to 9 cars. Reasonable rates right in the city centre. Contact Sara in the Parish Office for more information: office@threesaints.org.uk or call 01962 849434.

St Bartholomew building works: Phase 1 is progressing well and will now continue until the end of March. Weekend use of the church will continue as normal, except that the existing level access path and doorway are now unavailable, so entrance to the church is by the main door only. It is not possible for vehicles to travel along the drive. Extra support will be provided for any who need help with the steps down from the main door. We hope to keep disruption to a minimum, but apologise for any inconvenience this phase may cause.

Please Continue to Support our Ministry and Care for our Buildings

Online: Please visit 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

Sunday 25th January
Conversion of St Paul

10am **Holy Communion** at St Bartholomew
10am **Morning Worship** at St Lawrence
6pm **Evensong** at St Swithun
10.30am **Funeral of Betty Watson** at St Bart's
2pm **TakeTime Meditation** at St Lawrence
10am **All Together** at St Bartholomew
10am **Holy Communion** at St Lawrence
6pm **Candlemas Evening Service** at St Swithun
10.30am **BCP Holy Communion** at St Lawrence
10am **Coffee Morning** at St Lawrence
10am **Holy Communion** at St Bartholomew
10am **Morning Worship** at St Lawrence
6pm **Holy Communion** at St Swithun
10.30am **Coffee Morning** at St Bartholomew
10am **Morning Worship** at St Bartholomew
10am **Holy Communion** at St Lawrence
6pm **Evensong** at St Swithun
10.30am **Holy Communion** w/ashing at St Lawrence
7pm **Holy Communion** w/ashing at St Swithun

Tuesday 27th January
Wed. 28th January
Sunday 1st February
*Presentation of Christ
in the Temple*

Wed. 4th February
Friday 6th February
Sunday 8th February
*2nd Sunday before
Lent*

Sat. 14th February
Sunday 15th February
Next before Lent

Wed. 18th February
Ash Wednesday

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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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