



## NEWSLETTER

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

**18<sup>th</sup> 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/paulo\\_medina-the\\_true\\_vine-1629839153.html](https://www.absolutearts.com/painting_acrylic/paulo_medina-the_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](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 **20<sup>th</sup> 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 Wrighglers; 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](http://www.hils-uk.org/support-at-home/meals)

**Safeguarding concerns** should be reported to:

[safeguarding.stls@thresaints.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding.stls@thresaints.org.uk) for St Lawrence with St Swithun parish, or [safeguarding.stbarts@threesaints.org.uk](mailto: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 23<sup>rd</sup> January**, 7pm at Abbey House, Winchester, in aid of the Mayor's charities. Tickets £15 each from [www.winchester.gov.uk/mayor-of-winchester](http://www.winchester.gov.uk/mayor-of-winchester)

**Winchester Prayer Gathering** organised by Churches Together, 8pm on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](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

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> January**  
*Conversion of St Paul*

10am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew  
10am Morning Worship at St Lawrence  
6pm Evensong at St Swithun

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January**

10.30am Funeral of Betty Watson at St Bart's

**Wed. 28<sup>th</sup> January**

2pm TakeTime Meditation at St Lawrence

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February**

10am All Together at St Bartholomew

*Presentation of Christ  
in the Temple*

10am Holy Communion at St Lawrence

6pm Candlemas Evening Service at St Swithun

**Wed. 4<sup>th</sup> February**

10.30am BCP Holy Communion at St Lawrence

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February**

10am Coffee Morning at St Lawrence

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February**

10am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew

*2nd Sunday before  
Lent*

10am Morning Worship at St Lawrence

6pm Holy Communion at St Swithun

**Sat. 14<sup>th</sup> February**

10.30am Coffee Morning at St Bartholomew

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February**

10am Morning Worship at St Bartholomew

*Next before Lent*

10am Holy Communion at St Lawrence

6pm Evensong at St Swithun

**Wed. 18<sup>th</sup> February**

10.30am Holy Communion w/ashing at St Lawrence

*Ash Wednesday*

7pm Holy Communion w/ashing at St Swithun

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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).

## Contact us:

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