



NEWSLETTER

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

5th July 2026

Fifth Sunday after Trinity

10.00am All Together at St Bartholomew

Readings: Matthew 11.25-30

Hymns: 66, 67, 334, 507

10.00am Holy Communion at St Lawrence, followed by Going Out with Questions*

Readings: Zechariah 9.9-12;
Romans 7.15-25a;
Matthew 11.16-19, 25-30

Hymns: 28, 321, 334, 201

6pm Evensong at St Swithun*

Readings: Psalm 56; 2 Samuel 2.1-11, 3.1;
Luke 18.31-19.10

Hymns: 369, 169, 495



The Burden by Margie Langtip
https://margielangtip.com/product/the-burden/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=the-burden

* These services are live-streamed on YouTube for those who cannot get to church. Click this direct link for [YouTube](#), which will take you to both the St Lawrence and St Swithun's services at the appropriate time.

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:

- **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

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

The World:

- for the people of Venezuela and their recovery from the earthquakes;
- for lasting peace in the Middle East; for international co-operation and respect for democracy;
- for the humanitarian relief efforts and the welfare of civilians in all war zones;
- for those who work for peace;
- for the people of the Democratic Republic of Congo and Uganda affected by the Ebola outbreak;

The Church:

- for unity within and between denominations; for those who work for interfaith relations;
- for Christians suffering persecution, oppression or discrimination;
- for those who suffered because of historic adoption policy in mother and baby homes;
- for HM King Charles and the Royal Family;
- with the Deanery, for the Deanery Synod, especially all Synod members and members of the Mission & Pastoral and Finance Committees;

Local concerns:

- for Alison Dolphin and the City Chaplaincy team and trustees;
- for the school pastors and street pastors;
- for our community of adults with learning disabilities and those who support them;
- for Richard and Sarah whose banns of marriage we publish this month;
- for our Little Wrigglers; for the staff and pupils at St Bede School as they prepare for their SIAMS inspection on Tuesday 7th July;

The sick, housebound, those in care homes, and all carers; John A, Debbie B, Justin B, Ian C, Barrie D, Sarah G, Jonquil H, Denis M, Tom N, Debbie P, Hugh P, Keith T, Sue T, Meriel W, Bruce W.

Those who mourn, especially the family and friends of Pauline Elliott and Lyn Weatherill, and in their year's mind, Alice Unwin and Jillian Cambrook.

Listening Service at St Lawrence: run by Winchester City Chaplaincy on the first and third Tuesday of the month, 12.30pm-1.30pm - next on **7th July**: a chance to talk to a trained volunteer about whatever is on your mind (please note this is not a counselling service).

Safeguarding concerns should be reported to:

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

NOTICES

DEC Venezuela Earthquake Appeal: The UK government is match-funding up to £2million for aid following the catastrophic earthquakes and loss of life. To contribute please visit <https://donation.dec.org.uk/venezuela-earthquake>

Benefice visit to the Cathedral: The new Dean is keen to offer hospitality to any parishes who would like to visit the Cathedral on a Sunday afternoon, beginning with a tour at 2pm, followed by a cup of tea and then Evensong at 3.30pm. We are asked to give an idea of potential numbers even though no dates have yet been offered, so if you think you would be interested in a benefice outing, please let your churchwarden or Sara know as soon as possible.

National Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast, Tuesday 7th July at 7.45am. This is livestreamed to enable anyone to attend, to pray for our parliament, government and politics and to reflect upon the relevance of the Christian faith to our public life. This year's theme is 'Hope for the future', with speaker Clare Williams-Sarpong. Sign up for the livestream on their website www.christiansinparliament.org.uk/prayer-breakfast.

Churches Together in Winchester: The AGM takes place on **Thursday 9th July** at the Wesley Methodist Church, Weeke, at 7.30pm. All are welcome to come and hear about, and pray for, the work of the Churches Together champions and our partner organisations.

Calling all bakers! On **Saturday 11th July** at 3pm at St Bartholomew we have the privilege of hosting the Service of Lament and Reflection in relation to the Diocesan mother and baby homes, one of which was formerly sited in the parish. We are asked to provide cake for afterwards so if you are able to provide one (expenses will be reimbursed) please contact Revd Karen as soon as possible so that we know whether we also need to buy some. Cakes can be delivered to the church on the morning after 10am.

Commissioning Services: following the elections at the Annual Church Meetings in April, the churchwardens and members of our PCCs will be commissioned during the services on **19th July** (at St Lawrence) and **26th July** (at St Bartholomew). On 19th July at St Lawrence we will also be commissioning Jeanna Simms as a School Pastor. Please pray for them all in these ministries.

Winchester Food & Basics Bank: our 'Harvest' donations of produce and money will be collected on Sundays 19th and 26th July. Please see the July/august magazine for details of currently needed items.

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

Saturday, 11 th July	3pm Diocesan Service of Lament and Reflection at St Bartholomew
Sunday, 12th July <i>6th after Trinity</i>	10am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew 10am Morning Worship at St Lawrence 12 noon Baptism of Dominic King at St Bart's 6pm Patronal Festival Holy Communion at St Swithun
<i>St Swithun (transf)</i>	
Saturday, 18 th July	10.30am Coffee Morning at St Bartholomew
Sunday, 19th July <i>7th after Trinity</i>	Morning Worship at St Bartholomew 10am Holy Communion with PCC Commissioning at St Lawrence 6pm Evensong at St Swithun
Sunday, 26th July <i>St James (transf)</i>	10am Holy Communion with PCC Commissioning at St Bartholomew 10am Morning Worship at St Lawrence 6pm Evensong 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 (or phone 01962 849434).

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