



NEWSLETTER

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

30th August 2026
13th Sunday after Trinity

**10.00am Benefice Holy Communion
at St Bartholomew**

Readings: Jeremiah 15.15-21;
Romans 12.9-21;
Matthew 16.21-28
Hymns: 628, 337, 431, 487

6pm CW Evening Prayer at St Swithun*

Readings: Psalm 105.1-15;
2 Kings 6.24-25, 7.3-20;
Acts 18.1-16
Hymns: 121, 79, 230

* 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.



Salvador Dalí - Christ of St John of the Cross - widely available

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 all those affected by the devastating mudslide in Nepal;
- for all who are affected by wildfires, including in Canada, France, Spain and Scotland;
- for the people of Indonesia, Colombia, Venezuela and Japan in their recovery from the earthquakes;
- for lasting peace in Ukraine, the Middle East and Sudan; for international co-operation and respect for democracy; for the humanitarian relief efforts and the welfare of civilians in all war zones;

The Church:

- for HM King Charles and the Royal Family;
- with the Deanery, for the Churchwardens, Treasurers, PCC members and Volunteers;
- for the Phase II Giving for Living plans at St Bartholomew's;
- for Alison Dolphin and the City Chaplaincy team and trustees; for the Listening Service and plans for expansion of ministry with GP referrals;
- for the school pastors and street pastors;
- for Revd Malcolm on placement in the Upper Itchen Benefice, and Revd Keith on placement with us;

Local concerns:

- for Winchester Food & Basics Bank as they tackle the additional need for replacements for free school lunches over the holidays;
- for our community of adults with learning disabilities and those who support them;
- for our Little Wrigglers; for the staff and pupils at St Bede School over the summer holidays;

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

Those who mourn, especially the family and friends of Jean Key and Joyce King, and in his year's mind, Brenda de la Mouette.

Anniversary of baptism: Bree Williams

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

Listening Service at St Lawrence: run by Winchester City Chaplaincy on the first and third Tuesday of the month, 12.30-1.30pm – next on **1st September**: a chance to talk to a trained volunteer about whatever is on your mind (please note this is not a counselling service).

Congratulations to our former ordinand the Revd Helen May, who will be licensed to her first incumbency at St Mary's Shalford in the Diocese of Guildford, on **9th September** at 7.30pm. If you would like to attend, please email vicar@stmaryshalford.com If you'd like a lift to Shalford, Caroline St Leger is going and may have room in her car.

Festival of Creation in Christ, 6th September: the first Sunday of September is now a new annual festival, celebrating God as Creator and recognizing that the universe was made, sustained, and renewed through Christ. It anchors the season of Creationtide and places Christ's role at the centre of creation, tying worship directly to environmental responsibility and the response to climate crises. The festival is the result of broad ecumenical dialogue, including the Anglican Communion, the World Council of Churches, the Roman Catholic Church, and Orthodox partners.

Ride & Stride, 12th September: This annual sponsored event raises much needed funds for our churches and also for Hampshire & The Islands Historic Churches Trust, which has given grants to all our churches. Please sponsor those who are taking part, and volunteers to welcome visitors on the day would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Clare and Louise for St Lawrence with St Swithun, or Andy Wainewright for St Bartholomew's.

Heritage Open Days: this year's festival runs from **11th to 20th September**, once again offering a wide range of activities across the city, for all ages and interests. On Saturday 19th Hyde900 are running a day of activities at St Bartholomew's Church, and Winchester Muse are holding a poetry showcase at St Lawrence, on the festival theme of 'Everyday Histories'. Browse the full programme and book places at www.heritageopendays.org.uk/whats-on/search-2026-events.html

Benefice at Home, 26th September: for a number of reasons this annual social event will now be a bring and share afternoon tea instead of lunch or supper, but, before any plans can be finalised, the organisers need to know that there are enough people willing to host a gathering. If you could host 6-8 people please sign the salmon-coloured form in the churches, or contact Christ and Margaret Higgins.

Sunday @ Six: This service has been taking a break during July and August and, after discussion with those who would normally attend, the break will now continue through September. Please keep these young people in your prayers as they settle into their new college or school rhythms.

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

Wednesday, 2 nd Sept.	10.30am BCP Holy Communion at St Lawrence
Thursday, 3 rd September	12noon Thanksgiving Service for Joyce King at St Bartholomew 2.30pm Funeral of Jean Key at Chesil House
Friday, 4 th September	10am Coffee Morning at St Lawrence
Sunday, 6 th September <i>Festival of Creation in Christ</i>	10am All Together at St Bartholomew 10am Holy Communion at St Lawrence 6pm Evensong at St Swithun
Sunday, 13 th September <i>2nd of Creationtide 15th after Trinity</i>	10am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew 10am Morning Worship at St Lawrence 6pm Holy Communion at St Swithun
Saturday, 19 th September	Heritage Open Days at St Bartholomew 1pm Wedding Blessing: Liz and Jon Howard at St Lawrence 2.30pm Heritage Open Days at St Lawrence
Sunday, 20 th September <i>3rd of Creationtide 16th after Trinity</i>	10am Morning Worship at St Bartholomew 10am Holy Communion at St Lawrence 6pm Evensong at St Swithun
Tuesday, 22 nd September	11.30am Renewal of Vows: Maisie and Paul Secord 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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