

NEWSLETTER

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

Fifth Sunday of Easter 28th April, 2024

10am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew 10am Morning Worship at St Lawrence *

- Readings: Acts 8.26-40; 1 John 4.7-21; John 15.1-8
- Hymns: 364, 491, 796, 798

12noon Baptism of Alice Minnican at St Bartholomew

6pm Evensong at St Swithun*

Readings: Psalm 96; Isaiah 60.1-14; Revelation 3.1-13

Hymns: 425, 722, 349

https://free89042.wordpress.com/2021/11/19/i-am-the-vine-you-are-the-branches/

* These services are also live-streamed on Zoom for worshipping at home. Please see the 'Services' page of our website for the codes, or click this direct link <u>Zoom worship</u>

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. **West View Hostel and Alleyne House Supporters:** 4th Wednesday. Please note that from March to May, we meet at 11am in the St Gregory Room in the St Peter's Church Pastoral Centre. All are welcome. Contact Alys Blakeway 868581.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

The World:

- For the lessening of tension between Israel and Iran; for peace in the Holy Land, Ukraine, the Yemen and Haiti; for the safety of all civilians; for the safe delivery of humanitarian aid; for the safety and work of all medical staff in war zones;
- for all who are suffering starvation, especially in Gaza and Sudan;
- for all who work for peace and reconciliation.

The Church:

- for King Charles and the Princess of Wales as they undergo cancer treatment;
- for a new Chair of Churches Together in Winchester to come forward, and for the process to appoint a new Lead Chaplain for the City Centre Chaplaincy;
- with the Deanery, for Lay and Ordained vocations; those in training;
- for Malcolm Bruce in his training for ordination, and for Nick Goulding studying for the Bishop's Permission to Preach;
- for the approvals process for a new heating system at St Bartholomew;
- for Alice Minnican and her family as she is baptised on Sunday;
- for our benefice international links with Myanmar and Uganda; for the children of Ikona Hillside School, and the work of Kisiizi Partners.

Local concerns:

- for those who are preparing to be married in our churches this year and those whose banns we publish for weddings elsewhere;
- for our Little Wrigglers;
- for the children, headteacher and staff of St Bede School;
- for all who are anxious about their health.

The sick, housebound and those in care homes, and all carers; for Peter B, Justin B, John C, Barrie D, Jan and Tony F, Mike L, Alan M, Chris P, Rodney T, Bruce W.

Those who mourn: especially for the family and friends of Sandie Mason, Maurice Miles and Bob Taylor (father of Rosie Duffy).

Anniversary of death: Helen Benjamin, Monica Best, and James Marriott.

Help is Available for any who are struggling at this time:

- "Renew Café" is a new wellbeing café open every Thursday 2pm-4pm at the Salvation Army Hall on Parchment Street. Drinks and light refreshments, crafts, games and wellbeing activities, or just chat.
- **<u>The Samaritans</u>** 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

NOTICES

Closure of St Lawrence: further work is needed to finish installing the new sound, lighting and camera equipment, so the church will remain closed in the week ahead, opening only for **Space in the City** on Wednesday (see below), **Guides** that evening, and for the **funeral** on Friday. Please note that the Coffee Morning on Friday has been cancelled.

Please help Little Wrigglers: we desperately need someone to help please on 5th June, otherwise the session will not be able to run. This would make a three week break, because we need to cancel 22nd May anyway, and then 29th May is half term. It involves arriving early to set out the toys, putting the signs up, being around as a 2nd representative of the church (alongside Emily Mantell, who organises the refreshments), chatting with the adults and putting everything away again at the end (though everyone usually helps). Please let Revd Karen know if you would be able to help. Thank you very much.

Space in the City, Wednesday 1st May, 12.30-1.15pm: in the second in this series of five talks on the theme '*Spiritual*', the Revd. Richard Carter, from St Martin in the Fields, Trafalgar Square in London, will speak about the Nazareth Community that he founded there. Entrance is free, but donations are most welcome. If you miss a talk you can watch the recordings at <u>www.spaceinthecity.org.uk</u> They can be viewed live on Zoom using the same link for Sunday services: <u>Zoom Link</u>

Songs From The Musicals and Other Great Songs: please support Winchester GoLD and the St Bart's Giving for Living appeal at this fantastic concert by the Fusion Choir and the Sign with Steve Makaton Choir, on Saturday 4th May at 7.00 pm at the Winchester Rugby Club. Tickets: https://winchestergold.org.uk/supporting-us/shop/

Thanksgiving Service for Maurice Miles: all are welcome to attend this service at St Bartholomew's church on Thursday 9th May at 2pm.

Art @ St Bart's: on Thursday 16th May, the talk will be given by Helen Whittaker (stained glass artist), followed by Prue Cooper (potter) on 13th June. Tickets £12 each, selling fast at <u>https://threesaints.org.uk/art</u> Doors open from 6.30pm, lecture starts at 7pm, with refreshments available. All proceeds are for the Giving for Living @ St Bart's Appeal.

Music at Eucharistic Services: in this joyful Easter season we have at last resumed our pre-Covid practice of singing the eucharistic responses. All three churches are using the settings written specially for St Swithun-upon-Kingsgate by Simon McEnery, and a short Taizé Gloria.

Trinity's Big Sleep Out will be held on **Friday, 24th May** at Winchester College. Enjoy live music and entertainment as you support this worthwhile charity's work with homelessness and vulnerable people in Hampshire. For more information: <u>trinitywinchester.org.uk/bigsleepout/</u>

Please Continue to Support our Ministry

<u>Online:</u> Please visit <u>https://threesaints.org.uk/support-us</u> 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 'St Lawrence with St Swithun PCC' for St Lawrence with St Swithun parish, or payable to 'The PCC of Hyde' for St Bartholomew's. Thank you very much.

LOOKING AHEAD

Wed. 1 st May Friday, 3 rd May	10.30am Holy Communion at St Lawrence 12.30pm Space in the City at St Lawrence Cancelled: Coffee Morning at St Lawrence 3pm Funeral of Sandie Mason at St Lawrence
Sunday 5 th May 6 th of Easter	10am All Together at St Bartholomew 10am Holy Communion at St Lawrence 6pm Evensong at St Swithun
Wed. 8 th May Thurs. 9 th May Ascension Day Sunday 12 th May	12.30pm Space in the City at St Lawrence 2pm Thanksgiving Service for Maurice Miles at St B 7pm Holy Communion at St Swithun 10am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew
7 th of Easter	10am Morning Worship at St Lawrence 6pm Holy Communion at St Swithun
Wed. 15 th May	12.30pm Space in the City at St Lawrence NO Midweek Communion at St Bartholomew
Sunday 19 th May Pentecost	10am Morning Worship at St Bartholomew 10am Holy Communion at St Lawrence 6pm Evensong at St Swithun
Tues. 21 st May Wed. 22 nd May	10.30am Coffee Morning at St Bartholomew 12.30pm Space in the City at St Lawrence

THIS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER welcomes contributions relevant to our parishes: please send items to Sara by noon on Wednesday of each week, preferably by email to <u>office@threesaints.org.uk</u> (or phone 849434).

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