

**THE UNITED BENEFICE
OF ST BARTHOLOMEW AND ST LAWRENCE
WITH ST SWITHUN-UPON-KINGSGATE
WINCHESTER**

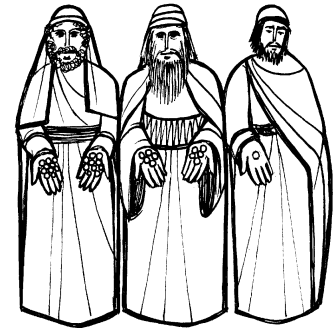
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THE 2nd SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT 19th November 2017

A warm welcome to our worship

Large Print Versions of this notice sheet and other papers are available.
A Hearing Loop system is in use. **Gluten-free communion wafers**
are available – please ask a steward.

Morning readings: OT Zephaniah 1. 7 & 12-18
Psalm 90. 1-8 & 12
NT 1 Thessalonians 5. 1-11
Gospel Matthew 25. 14-30



St Bartholomew 9.30am Parish Communion

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev'd Norman de la Mouette

Hymns: 349, 422, 90, 61, 770

St Lawrence 10.00am Parish Communion

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rector

Hymns: 349, 422, 90, 770

St Swithun 6.00pm Evensong

Officiant: The Rector

Hymns: 841, 481, 537

Evening readings: OT 1 Kings 1. 15-40
Psalm 89. 19-29
NT Revelation 1. 4-18

COLLECT FOR THE WEEK

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

FOR YOUR PRAYERS



For the World: We pray for all who are suffering as a consequence of hurricane, flood or famine; for those injured and devastated by the earthquake in Iran and Iraq; for justice and peace in Zimbabwe; for the welfare of refugees, especially at this time the Rohingya refugees of Myanmar; for guidance and wisdom for our Government and world leaders.

For the Anglican Communion: Archbishop Justin Welby; Uyo (Niger Delta, Nigeria); Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church; the Diocese of Rochester and the Norham Deanery in the Diocese of Newcastle, their Bishops and people.

For the Winchester Diocese: Bishop Tim Dakin and Suffragan Bishops Jonathan and David.

Winchester Deanery: University of Winchester, Peter Symonds College, Winchester College, St Swithuns School and their chaplains.

Local needs: Nightshelter and Trinity Centre; for our Benefice Mission Action Plan (bMAP).

Churches Together Prayers for November: Christ Church, Winchester

The sick and housebound and all who care for them, especially Jonquil Hinds, Janet Rivington, Alison Stafford.

For the Departed: Sally Miles, Sheila Rodwell.

Anniversary of Death: Joan Bessey, Maureen Henman.

NOTICES

THE WEEKLY NOTICE SHEET: Please send any items for the notice sheet by **Wednesday** of each week to Caroline St Leger-Davey and Lis Wicks at St Lawrence Parish Office, Colebrook Street; email office@threesaints.org.uk or tel. 01962 849434. Office opening times: Weds and Fridays 9.30am-2.00pm. For Hyde Parish Hall bookings please contact Lorraine Curtis: tel. 01962 863361, hall@threesaints.org.uk.

Sally Miles RIP: We were very sad to hear of Sally's death on Wednesday and extend our prayers and thoughts to Maurice and his family.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES CARDS: Volunteers are needed to distribute these in both parishes. Please see the Churchwardens if you can help.

ST BARTHOLOMEW: Anyone interested in joining a small choir for the Carol Service (17th December) please see Mark Gillman as soon as possible.

ST BARTHOLOMEW: Please see the plans for the proposed alterations to the tower vestry on display in the cross aisle.

PARISH MAGAZINE: The copy deadline for the December/January issue is **today**.

A big thank-you to Mark Gillman for giving us a wonderful recital at St Lawrence.

ST BARTHOLOMEW: Winchester Churches Christmas Project have written to thank the congregation for their generous support totalling £325 this year. Thank you all.

ST BARTHOLOMEW: Please contact Alys Blakeway, Alan Gordon or Phyllis Phillips **before 21st November** with suggestions for charities in 2018.

The **WEST VIEW** ecumenical prayer group will meet in the Darch Room, Hyde Parish Hall, on **Wednesday 22nd November** at 3.00pm-3.45pm. All welcome.

KINGSGATE ARCH: All are welcome to the switching on of the Christmas tree lights under Kingsgate Arch on **Thursday 23rd November** at 6.30pm. Carols, mulled wine and mince pies.

CITY CENTRE CHAPLAINCY: Please take a copy of the new Chaplains' Prayer Sheet, and use it to pray for the chaplains and their work in the city.

WINCHESTER POETRY FESTIVAL: On **Saturday 25th November** there will be a day of poetry at St Lawrence entitled *Comfort me with Apples*. Please book online www.winchesterpoetryfestival.org/comfort or use booking forms in church.

ST BARTHOLOMEW: The Christmas post box will be in Church on **Sundays 26th November, 3rd and 10th December** for you to send cards to your friends at this Church. Please address clearly including surnames to aid sorting. The cards will be ready for collection in Church on Sunday 17th December.

BENEFICE PRAYER GROUP: All are welcome to our next meeting on **Monday 27th November** at 11.00am at 18 Saxon Road. Contact Sue Tisdall (851621).

UNIVERSITY OF WINCHESTER: You are welcome to a free inaugural lecture given by Prof Martin Palmer on **Wednesday 29th November** at 6.30pm for 7.00pm in the University Chapel on the subject of evolution and creation. To book please email chaplaincy@winchester.ac.uk by 20th November.

ST LAWRENCE GREAT POLISH & CLEAN: Please come and help on **Saturday 2nd December** from 10.00am-12.00pm. Good company assured and coffee provided!

ADVENT QUIET DAY: A day to be still, listen and reflect with Roger Healey, LLM and Franciscan Tertiary, on **Saturday 2nd December** from 9.30am-4.00pm at Wisdom Centre, Romsey. £25pp incl lunch. Contact Rev'd Mary Copping 07921 886016 youth@stmatthewstpaul.org

BENEFICE ADVENT SUNDAY LUNCH: Please join us at St Lawrence Parish Room on **Sunday 3rd December** from 12noon for a simple lunch of homemade soups with bread, cheese and fruit. No need to book. Donations please for Ikona Hillside School Orphans through 'Kisiizi Orphans'.

CONCERT AT ST LAWRENCE:

An afternoon of classical guitar with

MOSAIC GUITAR ENSEMBLE

Saturday 9th December at 3.00pm



The **BENEFICE CHRISTINGLE SERVICE** is on **10th December** at 4.00pm at St Bartholomew. We shall support the Children's Society once again. Please join us and encourage families you know.

Jeanna and Mervyn Simms are back from Greece with olive oil pressed from their own olive trees. £12 per bottle. Tel 852793 or jeannasimms@hotmail.com

THE WEEK AHEAD

20th-26th November 2017

Morning and Evening Prayer in the Benefice

Morning Prayer: Weds 9.00am St B, Thurs 8.30am St S, Fri 8.30am St L
 Evening Prayer: 5.00pm Tues & Fri St L, Wed St B, Thurs St S

Monday	7.30pm <i>Faith Pictures</i> course	Park Road
Tuesday	7.30pm St Bartholomew PCC 2.00pm <i>Faith Pictures</i> course	Darch Room Christchurch Road
Wednesday	9.30am-2.00pm Parish Office open 10.00am Holy Communion 10.30am Holy Communion	St Bartholomew St Lawrence
Thursday	6.30pm Christmas lights and carols	Kingsgate Arch
Friday	9.30am-2.00pm Parish Office open 11.00am Holy Communion	Abbotts Barton NH
Saturday	2.00pm-7.00pm <i>Comfort me with Apples</i>	St Lawrence

Services for CHRIST THE KING The Sunday Next Before Advent 26th November 2017

<i>Morning readings:</i>	OT	Ezekiel 34. 11-16 & 20-24
	Psalm	95. 1-7
	NT	Ephesians 1. 15-23
	Gospel	Matthew 25. 31-46

St Bartholomew 9.30am Parish Communion

Celebrant: The Rector
 Preacher: Karen Bannister (LLM)

St Swithun 9.30am Holy Communion

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev'd Amanda Goulding

St Lawrence 11.00am Holy Communion

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St Lawrence 6.00pm Evensong

Officiant: Meriel Walton (LLM)

Evening Readings: OT 2 Samuel 23. 1-7

Psalm 93

NT Matthew 28.16-20

