

Parish Matters

Welcome to the Parish of the Resurrection. If you are new to the parish or worshipping with us for the first time then please do make yourself known

to either a member of the clergy or a church-warden. We are a welcoming church family spread throughout the town of Alton, Holybourne and Beech and our aim is to offer worship which deepens our faith, common life and our relationship with Jesus Christ. This information sheet gives some words that will be needed in today's services and notices about the life of our church communities. Please take it home with you.

14th October
Trinity 20

Today's Services

8.00am

Holy Communion - St Lawrence

Led by Revd Lynn Power

9.15am

Parish Communion - St Peter's

Led by Revd Andrew Micklefield

9.30am

Parish Communion - Holy Rood

Led by Revd Lynn Power

10.30am

Parish Communion - St Lawrence

Led by Revd Andrew Micklefield

High Mass - All Saints

Led by Revd Martin East

6.30pm

Evening Worship - St Lawrence

Led by the Team to include a talk by
Alison Parr on 'Wealth'

Collect Prayer

God, our light and our salvation:
illuminate our lives,
that we may see your goodness I
n the land of the living,
and looking on your beauty
may be changed into the likeness
of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Today's Readings

Simply devoted to Fellowship

Acts 2: 42-47 (Page 886)

Mark 10: 17-31 (Page 822)

Also at All Saints and Holy Rood:

Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15 (Page 746)



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Dear Reader

Thank you for all your support over the last few weeks for Alton Foodbank. Please keep the items coming in as we make a special effort to support them over these Harvest Thanksgiving weeks. Also thank you for your support of Karamoja, our link Diocese in Northern Uganda. We have raised in excess of £700 for the Diocesan Training College there.

Today and next Sunday we feel it is right and appropriate to have end of service collections for the Indonesia Tsunami Appeal. On Friday 28th September, an earthquake measuring 7.4 on the Richter Scale rocked the Indonesian island of Sulawesi, triggering a terrifying tsunami that reached 18 feet in height and left a trail of destruction. Tens of thousands of homes have been destroyed and entire communities have been decimated. At least 2,000 people have died, thousands are missing and hundreds of thousands of survivors are now in urgent need of humanitarian assistance, many of them are children.

We will send our donations via The Disasters Emergency Committee who will support their member charities and Indonesian partners to provide food, clean water, first aid and shelter, while helping survivors to cope with the trauma of what has happened. I ask you to please give generously. Best wishes, Andrew

All Souls Service

On Sunday 4th November at 6.30pm we will be holding our annual All Souls Service in St Lawrence Church. This is a service with the opportunity to remember those who have recently died. We will have candles to light in their memory and we will read a list of names of those who funerals have been taken by a member of the Parish Ministry Team over the last three years and those who you add to a list which is available in all the churches or give to me separately. This is a very moving service to which everyone is invited.



Please remember to support our local food bank. We urgently need the following food items— tinned pies; sponge puddings; pasta sauce; tinned carrots . **We do not need** sanitary products (please don't give any more as we have too many to store); tinned sardines; baked beans; tinned tomatoes; soup; pasta. ***“Don't come to church empty handed”***

All donations to be placed in the Foodbank basket in church.

Parish Giving Scheme The Parish is reliant on the generosity of its worshipping community for all of our ministry and mission. We are grateful to those who contribute financially. If you wish to give more or become a regular giver then please speak to Elizabeth Dain on 01420 89062 or dainbs@btinternet.com, and she will talk to you about the Parish Giving Scheme. If you are a tax payer then please do make sure your donation is gift aided and the government will give us 25% more at no extra cost to you. There are envelopes available for one-off gifts.

Just Text Giving An easy way to donate to the Parish of the Resurrection. Send a text to 70070 with the message POTR34 and the value of your donation e.g. £5. Please speak with the Parish Administrator on 01420 83234 if you would like any help with using this form of donating.



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Bible Readings for the week

taken from the Church of England lectionary – readings to use daily

Monday 15th	Psalm 126	2 Kings 21.1-18	1 Timothy 1.1-17
Tuesday 16th	Psalm 132	2 Kings 22.1-23.3	1 Timothy 1.18-end of 2
Weds 17th	Psalm 119.153-end	2 Kings 23.4-25	1 Timothy 3
Thurs 18th	Psalm 145	Isaiah 55	Luke 1.1-4
Friday 19th	Psalm 144	2 Kings 24.18-25.12	1 Timothy 5.1-16
Saturday 20th	Psalm 147	2 Kings 25.22-end	1 Timothy 5.17-end
Sunday 21st		Acts 2: 42-47	Mark 10: 35-45

Also at All Saints and Holy Rood:

Isaiah 53: 4-12

Discipleship Groups

There are a number of discipleship groups meeting across the parish. They are open for anyone to attend - it doesn't matter which church you normally attend or where you live, simply contact the leader before turning up. If you would like to host or lead another one, then please contact Andrew.

Monday; Oasis (formerly Young Mum's Home Group.) Meeting every other Monday at Sally Kemp's house, 44 Vicarage Hill, Alton. For further info please contact Ellie Elder on 07736666650 or email: ellielder@gmail.com

Tuesday: New Housegroup (name to be decided). Meeting bi-monthly at Pilgrim Cottage, 44 Vicarage Hill at 9.30am. The next meeting will be on the 23rd October.

Wednesday; Pilgrim Group at All Saints - 3rd Wednesday of each month after the communion service, from 10.15am until 11.15am

Wednesday Housegroup are looking at The Ten Commandments. We meet at 7.45 for 8pm start usually at 62 Anstey Road. For more information call Margaret and Peter on 86063 or Robin and Sally on 769802.

Thursday; Bible Society LYFE at Liz & Trev's, at 2 The Lamports. Led by Liz Griffiths, for information. Please contact Liz via email: lizmgriff@hotmail.com



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Praying in October 2018

As we celebrate Harvest Festival we pray in thanksgiving for the gifts which God bestows upon the earth and its people. We recognise that for parts of the world there has been famine, uncertain weather conditions or the results of war and unrest which means they are hungry and lacking in the most basic food and provision. We pray especially for our link Diocese in Karamoja, Uganda.

We pray for the Alton Foodbank and all those who work and volunteer there. We give thanks for all the generous donations made and for those who rely on its presence in our town. In turn, we ask for God's generosity in us to rise up and support this vital work.

We recently appointed Keren Brake to the 8 hour a week GAP position of Schools Ministry Co-ordinator. Her work is to build and maintain relationships with all our local primary schools, taking Collective Worships, helping with RE curriculums, offering activities within our church buildings, leading Service After Schools and the like. Please pray for her in this vital area of ministry, seeking God's hand upon all that she does for the Kingdom.

There are a number of people from our churches who take Collective Worships (assemblies) in our local schools. We pray particularly for those in the 'Open the Book' teams and their commitment to sharing Bible stories with the children. We also pray for the staff and others who teach and care for the children of our parish.

We pray for The Library Club, T@3, The Jigsaw Afternoons, The Hard of Hearing Club, our time spent in the many residential homes and the other activities which gather older people together. We pray for our Anna Chaplains and those who work alongside them.

We pray for those who represent us on Deanery Synod - Peter & Margaret Bell, Elspeth Gurney, Lisa Hillan and Tori Hewitt. We also pray for the monthly church leaders meeting. We pray for unity amongst all local churches and for ideas and energy to work together on important areas of mission and ministry.



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The call to prayer is in three simple ways

Daily, weekly, monthly

Every day there is a prayer for the beginning of the day, for the middle of the day and for the end of the day. Please find a suitable time to use these prayers which are printed here.

For the beginning of the day
- The Community Prayer

Living God,
you have called us to be
the Body of Christ.
May our parish be a sign of hope
in our community of
Holybourne, Beech and Alton.
May all we do,
and all we are becoming,
bring praise to your name
and draw others to your love.
We ask these things
in the name of Jesus,
who came to serve and bring us
fullness of life.
Amen.

For the middle of the day
- The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass
against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

For the end of the day
- The Caleb Prayer

O High King of heaven,
have mercy on our land.
Revive your Church;
send the Holy Spirit
for the sake of the children.
May your kingdom come
to our nation.
In Jesus' mighty name.
Amen.

We should pray for each person by name;

Those who are sick or require prayer:

Joan Cheeseman, Jeremy, Barbara Small, Tony Ludlow,
Ben Stonehill, Neil, Imogen and family, Ian Toombs,
Simon May, Jacob and Joshua (twins)

Those who are bereaved, Families of :

Margaret Morley, Jennifer Blackman, David Page,
Sally Garner, Helen Bradley, Mandy Murrell, Patricia
Figgins, Peter Sperring, Winifred Cottrell, Rosemary
Malcolm, Shirley Ann Calton, Janice Moorey,
Doris Harvey,

Those preparing for Marriage:

Carey and Lorne Robertson (Blessing)

Prayer Cascade. Need Prayer for any
reason? Just email, in confidence to
pray4potr@gmail.com or complete a prayer
request card available in all our churches.
A prayer team from this parish will pray
regularly for each request for up to a month.

Diary for the week

Morning Prayer is said at 8.45am Monday - Friday in St Lawrence, excluding Thursday when Prayers are said in Holybourne Church at 8.40am.

Monday	9.30am	Teddies Group	St Lawrence Church
Tuesday	all day	Church Cleaning	Holy Rood Church
	10.45am	Communion	Borovere
	2.00pm	Drop –In for Knitters Anonymous	All Saints Church Hall
	2.30pm	Communion	Brendoncare
	7.00pm	Mettle Youth Group (14-19 yrs)	44 Vicarage Hill
	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice	All Saints Church
Wednesday	all day	Church Cleaning	Holy Rood Church
	9.30am	Parish Midweek Communion	All Saints Church
	10.30am	Communion	The Lawn
	7.30pm	Film: "The Greatest Showman"	St Lawrence Church
Thursday	9.30am	Teddies Group	Holy Rood Church
	4.30pm	Organ Practice	St Lawrence Church
	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice	St Lawrence Church
	8.00pm	Compline Prayer Service	St Lawrence Church
Friday	10.30am	Communion	Willow Court
	5.00pm	Covenant Training Choir practice	St Lawrence Church
	6.15pm	Covenant Youth Choir practice	St Lawrence Church
	7.30pm	Choir Practice	St Lawrence Church
Saturday	9.45am	Prayer Group	St Lawrence Church
	10.30am	Bell Ringing Beginners and Improvers	Holy Rood Church
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	All Saints Church
	6.00pm	GAP Skittles Evening	Jolly Farmer, Blacknest
Sunday	8.00am	BCP Communion	St Lawrence Church
	8.00am	CW Communion	All Saints Church
	9.15am	Parish Communion	St Peter's Church
	9.30pm	Parish Communion	Holy Rood Church
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St Lawrence Church
	4.30pm	Reflective Communion	All Saints Church
	6.30pm	Said Evening Prayer	St Lawrence Church
	6.30pm	FROG Youth Group (10-13 yrs)	The Parish Centre

For more information please go to our web site www.potr-alton.co.uk

The Children's Society Box Opening and Coffee Morning (For all All Saints Box Holders) **Saturday 27th October 2018—10am-12noon.** Raffle and refreshments. Please bring your box to be emptied & contents counted. Even if it doesn't need emptying this time please still come for a coffee & chat. If anyone would like to start collecting for this worthy cause please contact Judith Brown on 01420 82289, 07745166466 or email judyraynbird@aol.com. Thank you.

Hard of Hearing group monthly meeting—Tuesday 23rd October – All Saints Church Hall at 2pm. The speaker will be from Alton Library. Come along and hear what our local library has to offer.

Notices

The **Covenant Training Choir** has grown very quickly over the past two weeks; thanks be to God. However, with greater numbers comes a stricter adherence to safeguarding our children and young people as they spend time with us. I would be grateful if those **not directly related to staffing the choir** **refrained from entering the church between 4.45 and 7.15pm, whilst choir practice is in session.** The main door will be locked from 4.45 and the children will enter through the Choir Vestry door. I am sure that you appreciate that safeguarding is one of the highest of priorities and I apologise for any inconvenience as a result of these changes. Joy

Third Thursday Coffee Morning - 10am – 12 midday on **Thursday 18th October** (NOT 25th October as shown in Sunrise) in the Meeting Space in All Saints Church. Why not bring a friend along to support this new monthly initiative?

T@3, Light Afternoon Tea—Sunday 21st October at 3pm in All Saints church hall. Join us for home made cakes and a chat!

The next **Prayers Together** meeting will take place on **Friday 26th October at 8pm** in the Methodist Church, Alton.

Guildford Cathedral Choral Evensong—St Lawrence Church Choir will be singing choral evensong at Guildford Cathedral on **Saturday 3 November 2018 at 5pm**. Do come and support your choir at Guildford Cathedral.

Mee⁺ and Eat group for women of the Parish for food, fun and fellowship. The next meeting will take place on **Monday 5th November** which will be a Bring and Share Supper at the Church of the Holy Rood. Please contact Lyn Baines (phone 07986 153132 or email lynda.baines@btinternet.com if you would like to come or for more information.

Name That Hit Record: a fundraising event for Karamoja in Bentworth Jubilee Hall **Friday 9th November**. Details from Margaret Bell 86063. Early booking advised.

Christmas Parish Lunch: Derek & Elspeth Gurney are organising & hosting the Parish Christmas lunch this year, to be held as usual in the **Parish Centre on Christmas Day**. We are looking for volunteers to help set up on Christmas Eve, cook & serve lunch on Christmas Day and to entertain our guests. Help with transport would also be welcome. If you would like to volunteer to help in any way, please speak to one of us or e mail us on macbeavers@sky.com or call on 07545 310911 or 01420 86339. Donations towards the cost of the lunch are gratefully received - please use the pink envelopes at the back of the church and gift aid donations if possible.

As you may have seen in the press **Traidcraft** have announced they have made the difficult decision to cease trading at the end of December. This has come as a huge shock and the effect on the many producers and artisans they support is potentially devastating. I intend to continue placing orders until the end of December so please come and see what I've got on the stall on Sunday 14th October and browse through the new season catalogue. Many thanks for all your support. Jo McGregor

The **Mothers' Union** in the Diocese are supporting the Children's Charity, Spurgeons, in Winchester Prison and would like to draw your attention to the Prisons Week of Prayer, 14th to 20th October. Posters with suggested prayers can be found at the back of church

Notices

**Please provide all notices for next weeks Parish Matters
by 12noon on Wednesday . Thank you**

Payments to the Parish If you would like to make a payment or donation to the Parish, please contact the Parish office for the Parish bank account details or make cheques payable to 'Parish of the Resurrection, Alton'. Gift Aid white envelopes can be found in each of the churches. *Thank you*

Calling all Planned Givers (Envelope Schemes, Standing Orders or Parish Giving Scheme etc) If you have not yet received your annual letter, please speak to one of the church wardens or contact E A Dain on 01420 89062 / bsdain@btinternet.com.

The Lighthouse.....

Come and join at The Lighthouse
Every Sunday (Term Time)



9.15am at Church of the Holy Rood
10.30am at St Lawrence Parish Centre
10.30am at Alton Methodist Church

Games, crafts, singing, prayers

Teddy Bear Service.....

Come to the Teddy Bears Service

Mondays

9:30am until 10:30am
St Lawrence Church

Thursdays (Term Time)

9:30am until 10:30am
The Lawn, Holybourne



For stories, crafts, singing, prayers

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