

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 churchwarden. 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

**12th November
Remembrance Sunday**

Today's Services

8.00am

Holy Communion - St Lawrence

Led by Rt Revd Giles Hill OSB

9.15am

Parish Communion - St Peter's

Led by Revd David Hinks

10.30am

Remembrance Sunday - Holy Rood

Led by Revd Martin East

10.45am

Remembrance at The Cairn

Led by Revd Andrew Micklefield

5.00pm

Taize Healing Service - All Saints

Led by Revd David Hinks

6.30pm

Evening Worship - St Lawrence

Led by Revd Andrew Micklefield

Collect Prayer

God, our refuge and strength,
bring near the day when wars
shall cease and poverty
and pain shall end,
that earth may know
the peace of heaven
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Today's Readings

Our confidence in Christ

Philippians 3:13 - 4:1 (pg 955)

Amos 5: 18-24 (pg 746)

Matthew 25: 1-13 (pg 806)



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Dear Reader

Today is Remembrance Sunday, yesterday was Armistice Day. We are still commemorating the ravages and futility of the First World War (100 years ago) as we pray for peace, justice and mercy for our world today. It is fitting in all of this that we remember well those who lose their lives. Often we are lost for words when asked to do this and so we rely on the words of others.

I remember learning the poems of Wilfred Owen back in my grammar school days. Owen's poem *Dulce et Decorum Est*, written during the First World War, was published posthumously in 1920. It brings vividly to life the desperate human misery of warfare, condemning and raging against the "lie" that war is noble. Owen served on the front line in the Manchester Regiment, suffering severe shell shock, and was killed in action on November 4th 1918. His mother was informed of his death on Armistice Day, seven days later. This is the last part of his now famous poem.

*If you could hear, at every jolt, the blood
Come gargling from the froth-corrupted lungs,
Obscene as cancer, bitter as the cud
Of vile, incurable sores on innocent tongues,
My friend, you would not tell with such high zest
To children ardent for some desperate glory,
The old Lie; Dulce et Decorum est
Pro patria mori.*

'Dulce et Decorum est pro patria mori' means 'it is sweet and fitting to die for one's country (Fatherland)'. This he says is the old lie. It is so but die they did, and so we remember them, pray and work for a peace which passes all our understanding. Andrew



Please remember to support our local food bank.

"Don't come to church empty handed"

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



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 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.

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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 Tori Hewitt on 01420 83234 if you would like any help with using this new form of donating.

Bible Readings for the week

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

Monday 13th	Psalm 20	Isaiah 5.8-24	Matthew 4.23-5.12
Tuesday 14th	Psalm 21	Isaiah 5.25-end	Matthew 5.13-20
Wednesday 15th	Psalm 23	Isaiah 6	Matthew 5.21-37
Thursday 16th	Psalm 26	Isaiah 7.1-17	Matthew 5.38-end
Friday 17th	Psalm 32	Isaiah 8.1-15	Matthew 6.1-18
Saturday 18th	Psalm 33	Isaiah 8.16-9.7	Matthew 6.19-end
Sunday 19th	Philippians 4.2-14	Zephaniah 1.7,12-18	Matthew 25.14-30

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 or David.

Monday; Young Mum's Home Group. Meeting every other Monday at Sally Kemp's house, 44 Vicarage Hill, Alton. We are looking at 'Daniel - Faith under Fire.' For further info please contact Ellie Elder on 07736666650 or email: ellieelder@gmail.com

Tuesday; Holybourne Pilgrim Group. Will not be running currently, due to start again in September. Please contact Peter and Sylvia Raine (01256 381221).

Wednesday; Pilgrim Group: at All Saints. On the 3rd Wednesday of each month after the communion service, from 10.15am until 11.15am
Housegroup: "God speaks through Mark's Gospel" 7.45pm for a prompt 8pm start. At Thelma's, 1 New Barn Lane. Details Margaret or Peter Bell 86063

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

“Be Generous” Month

What are you good at?

Can you teach someone else or share the results of your skill.



Praying in November 2017

We pray for the Winchester Diocese, of which we are a part. Give thanks for the leadership of Bishop Tim and Bishop David as they help and encourage us to be a mission shaped diocese. Also we pray for our Alton Deanery and especially for Revd Brian Pritchard who has recently been appointed Area Dean and for Revd David Hinks as Assistant Area Dean.

We are welcoming many children and adults to the Teddies Groups in St Lawrence Church and at The Church of the Holy Rood.. Please pray for the leaders of this group especially Sarah Broadbent, Sarah Neish, Sarah Ebbutt, Sheila Sorby at St Lawrence and Sylvia Raine, Corinne & Alan Armstrong, Trish Field and Kate Marsh at Holy Rood who faithfully arrange and minister to them.
Pray for the growth in faith amongst the families who come.

We thank God for those who have encouraged us in The Sharing of Faith series - for The Ministry Team, for Lucy Moore, for Abbot Giles, for Debbie Thrower and Kate Dando. We pray for grace and strength to share the faith we have in Jesus Christ and that we will be effective witnesses in our community, work places, schools and amongst our friends and families.

We continue to remember the ministry and mission of the Diocese of Karamoja in Uganda. We sponsor students in the Diocesan College. We pray for their studies and for their families they have left behind. We also pray for those in our Deanery who form the Karamoja Link Committee.

As a parish we shall be celebrating Christ the King on Sunday 26th November and it has become practice also as Stewardship Sunday. We pray for our giving of time, talents and money for the work of God's kingdom expressed here through our four churches and our unity as one parish. May we all know the extent of God's love for us in Jesus and give generously in return.

We have our Services of Remembrance this month, and we continue to remember those who have died in war and armed action. We pray for peace in our world, for governments and aid agencies promoting justice and mercy, for those called to service in the forces, for envoys who travel to dangerous places seeking conversation of peace.



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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:

Barbara Small, Jessica Withers, Pat Mansey,
Tony Ludlow, Derek Shutler, Ben Stonehill, Neil,
Mike Corfe, Ken Littlefield, Margaret Morley,
Fabienne Enongene, Reuben and his family,
Jean Bramfitt and Margaret Daisley.

Those who are bereaved, Families of :

Sue Pond, Derek Atkinson, Peter Longhurst,
Rosemary Fairbank, Joseph Kasa, Elizabeth
Lawrie, Andrew Hutchinson, Norah Raban
and Constance Smith.

Those preparing for Marriage:

Amy Hennem & Matthew How,
Simon Walke & Fiona Blackman.

Diary for the week

**Morning Prayer is said at 8.45am Monday - Friday in St Lawrence,
also Wednesday in the church of the Holy Rood**

Monday	9.30am	Teddies	St Lawrence Church
	12.00pm	Amery Hill Choir recording session	St Lawrence Church
	8.00pm	Cantique Rehearsal	St Lawrence Church
Tuesday	10.45am	Communion	Borovere
	11.30am	Thanksgiving Service for Norah Raban	St Lawrence Church
	12.30pm	Lunch Club	Beech Village Hall
	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice	All Saints Church
Wednesday	7.30pm	West Gallery Band Practice	St Lawrence Church
	9.30am	Midweek Communion with study	All Saints Church
	10.30am	Communion	The Lawn
Thursday	8.45am	Prayer in the Community	Public Gardens Bandstand
	9.00am	StL School Collective Worship	St Lawrence Church
	9.30am	Teddies	Holy Rood Church
	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice	St Lawrence Church
Friday	8.00pm	Compline Prayer Service	St Lawrence Church
	9.00am	Quinquennial Review	St Lawrence Church
	10.30am	Communion	Willow Court
	6.15pm	CYC Practice	St Lawrence Church
Saturday	7.30pm	Choir Practice	St Lawrence Church
	9.45am	Prayer Group	St Lawrence Church
	9.45am	Bell Ringing Peal Attempt	Holy Rood Church
	11.00am	Wedding	St Lawrence Church
Sunday	1.00pm	Wedding	Holy Rood Church
	8.00am	Holy Communion	St Lawrence Church
	8.00am	Holy Communion	All Saints Church
	9.15am	Parish Communion	St Peter's Church
	9.15am	Parish Communion	Holy Rood Church
	10.30am	Lighthouse Service with Baptism	St Lawrence Church
	10.30am	High Mass	All Saints Church
4.00pm	ATP Commission Service	Salvation Army	
	6.30pm	Choral Evensong	St Lawrence Church

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

Notices

Knitted Christmas Angels: Come and find out about this exciting outreach project that has been successfully run from North Camp Methodist Church for the last couple of Christmases. There will be a GAP council meeting open to all at 7pm on Weds 29th November at St Lawrence church in the Galilee chapel. You can find out more on the Rushmoor Christmas Angels Facebook page.



Alton Town Pastors Service A Commissioning and Celebration Service to mark the third anniversary of their street ministry in Alton will take place on Sunday 19th November at 4pm in the Salvation Army Hall in Lenten Street. Everyone is welcome to attend and support.

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Service of Thanksgiving, Norah Raban Many of you will know that Norah died on Friday 20th October aged 100 years. There is a Service of Thanksgiving being held on Tuesday 14th November at 11.30am in St Lawrence Church. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The London Welsh Male Voice Choir is performing on Saturday, 25 November 2017 at 7.30pm. The event will take place on Guildford Cathedral, Stag Hill, GU2 7UP. It promises to be an excellent evening musically, but also to raise the issue of gender-based violence, which is such a blight on our society both locally and further afield. To purchase tickets please visit www.restoredrelationships.org/Guildford or contact the Guildford Cathedral Box Office on 01483 547881.

Support your clergy! Andrew, David and Chris are bravely entering the Santa Run on 26th November with their race starting at 1.30 from the Market Square in Alton and finishing there about 10(?) minutes later. Please come and cheer them on and/or sponsor them on the form at the back of each church. All money raised is for Home-Start WeyWater, a charity that works with families with young children in the Alton, Bordon and Liphook area. Thank you.

Luminosa (formerly Holybourne Singers) will be performing Carmina Burana, Elgar's Songs from the Bavarian Highlands and Bob Chilcott's Songs and Cries of London Town with special soloists, including two International Concert Pianists. To be held on 25th November at St. Andrew's Church in Farnham, the event will raise money for **Alton Food bank and the Southern Domestic Abuse Service**. Tickets - £15 (under 12s - £5) from Waterstones in Alton or Farnham or boxoffice@luminosamusic.com

Christmas Day Lunch John and Janet Ogden will be organising and hosting a lunch on Christmas day in the Parish Centre. This is the second year that we in POTR have organised this event, having picked up the baton from the Methodist Church last year as part of the Greater Alton Project. John and Janet are looking for volunteers to help with the organisation, setting up on Christmas Eve and helping to cook and serve lunch, and transport and entertain guests on Christmas Day. There are a range of tasks and you do not need to be able to be there on Christmas Day in order to help. Each guest receives a gift and this year we would appreciate it if some of you could give an (unwrapped) gift to the value to £5 for distribution to guests. If you would like to be involved in making this even a success or if you are willing to contribute in any way at all, please contact Janet on jntpeel@googlemail.com or by phone at (John) 07981 016938 or (Janet) 07894 076792

Mince Pie Ministry Once again the GAP churches will be distributing mince pies to railway staff and commuters at Alton Railway Station on Monday 11th December 2017. Commuters will receive a small bag containing a mince pie, a napkin printed with a Christmas greeting and a flyer detailing the Christmas Services in all our churches. We estimate that we will need about 500 mince pies and are asking you for donations of shop bought mince pies. These should be taken to any of the GAP Churches by lunchtime on Sunday 10th December. If anyone would like to help bag them up at 4 Windmill Hill on the afternoon of Sunday 10th December, or distribute them on Monday 11th December between 6am and 8.45am, please phone me on 01420 85247 or email me at sarahebroadbent@aol.com.

Room Required Christian Lady - Alton Community Hospital Rehabilitation Assistant, room in a house or flat with a lady lodger. Please contact Katya 07816 752902.

Notices

Please note the 'new' Parish Office opening hours detailed at the bottom of this page. Thank you

Payments to the Parish

If you would like to make a payment or donation to the Parish, please contact Tori Hewitt in the Parish office for the Parish bank account details or make cheques payable to 'Parish of the Resurrection, Alton'. *Thank you*

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
everyone is welcome.**

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
Church of the Holy Rood,
Holybourne



For stories, crafts, singing, prayers

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The office is open Monday 9.30am - 11.30am & Tuesday to Thursday 9am - 3pm