

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 with you.

15th October
18th Sunday after Trinity

Today's Services

8.00am

Holy Communion - St Lawrence

Led by Rt Revd Giles Hill OSB

Holy Communion - All Saints

Led by Revd Andrew Micklefield

9.15am

Parish Communion - St Peter's

Led by Revd Rachel Sturt

Parish Communion - Holy Rood

Led by Revd David Hinks

10.30am

Lighthouse Service – St Lawrence

(with Baptism)

Led by Revd Andrew Micklefield
and Tori Hewitt

High Mass - All Saints

Led by Revd David Hinks

6.30pm

Choral Evensong - St Lawrence

Led by Revd Andrew Micklefield

Collect Prayer

God, our judge and saviour,
teach us to be open to your truth
and to trust in your love,
that we may live each day
with confidence in the salvation
which is given
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

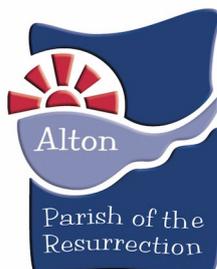
Today's Readings

The chains that advance the Gospel

Philippians 1: 12-27 (pg 953)

Isaiah 25: 1-9 (pg 568)

Matthew 22: 1-14 (pg 803)



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Dear Reader

Good news! We give thanks to God that last Sunday morning (10th October) the gift of Lydia Sadie Bradish was born to Chris and Naomi. She weighed 8lbs 15oz. We welcome Lydia and look forward to meeting her. Chris is now on paternity leave for the rest of the month.

On Sunday 29th October we have an altogether Parish morning service being held in St Lawrence Church at 10.30am. This is Bible Sunday and Ed Powell who is the 'zone co-ordinator' for the Gideons is speaking. I strongly encourage you to come. There will be an 8am service at St Lawrence that morning as well and also the 6.30pm service will continue. On these 5th Sundays we always put our monetary collections towards the support of the church in Karamoja - please be prepared for this and give generously.

In recent weeks, half a million people – mostly Rohingya women and children – have fled violence in Myanmar's Rakhine state. They are seeking refuge in Bangladesh, where they urgently need food, water, shelter and medical care. With more funds, Disasters Emergency Committee member charities can immediately respond to the growing needs of these people who have fled into Bangladesh with nothing, as well as help the overstretched communities hosting them. Myanmar is one of the Diocese's Global Partners and therefore I ask us to respond. Today and next Sunday we will have extra door collections to support the Disasters Emergency Committee commitment.

With Love
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.



PARISHGIVINGScheme™

A better way to encourage giving in your 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 16th	Psalm 80	2 Chronicles 17.1-12	Mark 15.1-15
Tuesday 17th	Psalm 89.1-18	2 Chronicles 18.1-27	Mark 15.16-32
Wednesday 18th	Psalm 145	Isaiah 55	Luke 1.1-4
Thursday 19th	Psalm 92	2 Chronicles 20.1-23	Mark 15.42-end
Friday 20th	Psalm 88	2 Chronicles 22.10-end	Mark 16.1-8
Saturday 21st	Psalm 97	2 Chronicles 24.1-22	Mark 16.9-end
Sunday 22nd	Philippians 1.28-2.11	Isaiah 45.1-7	Matthew 22.15-22

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



Calling all Grandparents! Announcing the inaugural course for Grandparents who would like to pass on their faith to their grandchildren. We are planning four sessions on the **8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th November** **between 13.45 and 14.45 in the Parish Centre.** The sessions will

begin with a short time of inter-generational worship (as we anticipate that there may be some little ones present). We will then look a short passage of scripture before sharing ideas of how to put thoughts into action. A key part of the sessions will involve craft work where we will each aim to make a simple advent calendar (only five windows) for our grandchildren. Hopefully these will act as prompts and discussion starters to talk about our life and faith journeys. A creche will be provided.

If you are interested in coming along on the 8th November or if you want to discuss this further please contact Joy Windsor revjoywindsor@gmail.com or Lynn Power revlynnpower@outlook.com We would be delighted to hear from you.

Praying in October 2017

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 and for those affected recently by Storm Irma.

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 have sessions this month on 'Sharing our Faith' and so we pray that we all will have the strength of faith to live out our hope in Jesus with confidence. We pray for those who are coming to speak and share in these sessions and especially for Bishop Jonathan who won't be with us as he goes more hospital treatment.

There are a number of people from our churches who take Collective Worship (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, 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:

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.

Those who are bereaved: Families of

Bryan (Victor) Crooks, Aleksander Tarwid,
Olga Crowhurst, Sue Pond, Derek Atkinson,
Peter Longhurst and Rosemary Fairbank.

Those preparing for Marriage:

Emma Watson & Andrew Goodall,
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
	8.00pm	Cantique Rehearsal	St Lawrence Church
Tuesday	10.45am	Communion	Borovere
	2.30pm	Communion	Brendoncare
	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice	All Saints Church
	7.30pm	Sharing our Faith	St Lawrence Church
Wednesday	9.30am	Midweek Communion with study	All Saints Church
	10.30am	Communion	The Lawn
Thursday	8.45am	Prayer in the Community	Community Hospital
	9.00am	StL School Collective Worship	St Lawrence Church
	9.30am	Teddies	Holy Rood Church
	7.30pm	Bell ringers Practice	St Lawrence Church
	8.00pm	Compline Prayer	St Lawrence Church
Friday	10.30am	Communion	Willow Court
	6.15pm	CYC Practice	St Lawrence Church
	7.30pm	Choir Practice	St Lawrence Church
Saturday	9.45am	Prayer Group	St Lawrence Church
	10.30am	Bell Ringers Learners Practice	Holy Rood Church
	12.00pm	Bell Ringing District Meeting	Parish Centre
	2.00pm	Bell Ringing District Striking Comp	All Saints Church
	3.00pm	Piano & Organ Practice	St Lawrence Church
	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Evening Ringing	St Lawrence Church
Sunday	8.00am	Holy Communion	St Lawrence Church
	9.15am	Parish Communion	Holy Rood Church
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St Lawrence Church
	10.30am	High Mass	All Saints Church
	3.30pm	Baptism	Holy Rood Church
	5.00pm	Songs of Praise	St Peter's Church
	6.30pm	Evening Worship	St Lawrence Church

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

Notices

Christmas 2017 John and Janet Ogden will be organising and hosting a lunch on Christmas Day in the Parish Centre. This is an event that has been hosted by colleagues at the Methodist Church in recent years and this year as part of the Greater Alton Project we are pleased to take our turn in hosting it. John and Janet are looking for volunteers - to help setup on Christmas Eve, and to help cook lunch and serve and entertain guests on Christmas Day. Any help with transporting guests would also be much appreciated. If you would like to be involved in making this event happen, or if you are willing to contribute in any way (financial or otherwise), or wish to discuss, please contact John via email johnogden1973@googlemail.com or on 07981 016938 or contact Janet on 07894 076792.

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Sharing our Faith - Listening to the stories of others. This is being held at St Lawrence church at 7.30pm Tuesday 17th October with Lucy Moore. Lucy is the founder of Messy Church and the Team Leader of this amazing work for The Bible Reading Fellowship. She is a fabulous storyteller and encourager of faith in all ages - do please come along and meet her. The following Tuesday, 24th October is with Rt Revd Giles Hill Abbot of Alton Abbey, and Tuesday 31st October with Debbie Thrower & Kate Dando.

GAP Skittles: 7pm Saturday, 27th October at Jolly Farmer Blacknest, £12 to book, sign up lists can be found in church.

Waitrose Charities In case you haven't been in Waitrose this month, Anna Chaplaincy is one of the 3 charities in October – it's the middle box! So any encouragement you can give to enable lots of green tokens to be put into the AC box would be much appreciated.

Seasonal Walk Monday 23rd October If you would like to join us on a two-hour walk (with no stiles but occasionally muddy!) just turn up at The Deer's Hut PH, on Longmoor Road, Liphook, at 10.00am. No Booking Required! If you would like to join us for lunch at 12.30pm in The Deer's Hut, please call David Allan on 84739.

Foodbank: A very big thank you to everyone who contributed so generously. We are (very) well stocked at present, except we have no instant mashed potato - but plenty of tinned ones. Peter

Epoulbass Dinner Dance I would like to thank the Epoulbass Committee for their outstanding dedication to making last Saturday's dinner-dance an amazing success. Sixty-one guests enjoyed live music (with an appearance from Elvis), a superb three-course meal, and a comprehensive raffle. To Jenny Thompson, Peter Bell, Tim Codling, Fabienne Enongene, Dave Stones and Julie Hinks, Thank YOU! Also thanks to everyone who gave raffle prizes and donations, we raised £2,030 for the project in Cameroon. David Hinks.

Christmas Pudding Please will whoever was brave enough to win Peta's Christmas Pudding in the auction of promises kindly contact her on 84149 to discuss any dietary no no's before she starts mixing it this month.

Opensight (formerly The Blind Club) meets on the third Monday afternoon each month and has an attendance of 30+ people. They are desperately in need of help with the administration of the Club and transport for members. This is an important service for visually impaired people so if you think this is something you could help with, or would like more information, please email: grabarb@grahamden34.plus.com or phone 01420 82378.

The Children's Society Box Autumn Box Opening Saturday 21st October 10am-12noon at All Saints Church Hall, Queen's Road Alton. (for All Saints Church Box Holders) Coffee Morning & Raffle. All Welcome. Please come to have your boxes emptied & counted, you don't have to bring your box if it doesn't need emptying but still come to the Coffee Morning. If you would like to start collecting we have spare boxes. Enquiries to: Judith Brown on 01420 82289. Thanks

Thanksgiving Service for Peter Longhurst Many of you will know that sadly Peter Longhurst died in St Michael's Hospice on Friday 6th October. There will be a Service of Thanksgiving in St Lawrence Church on Monday 23rd October at 2.30pm. Joan and the family welcome anyone to attend.

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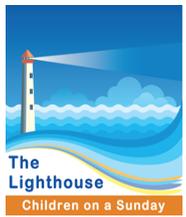
Please note the 'new' Parish Office opening hours detailed at the bottom of this page. Thank you

Payments to the Parish

If you would like to make a payments 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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01420 83234 or potr.alton@btinternet.com

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