

## Church News

### Sunday after Ascension - Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Services continue in Churches along with a 'Zoom at Noon' option for those who prefer to worship from home. Please note that services in church will be no longer than 35 minutes. The law requires that face masks are worn except by those with exceptions, and that there is no singing or mingling outside of household bubbles. To attend, please book a place using the details below. Risk Assessments have been updated and we need to remind everyone that those who are vulnerable should seriously consider not returning to communal worship yet. We also remind you that whilst those who have received the vaccine have a reduced risk of infection, the risk to ourselves and others is not removed completely. We therefore encourage everyone to recognise our responsibility to others as well as ourselves.

**Holy Communion** – If you are coming to church, please bring a small piece of bread for communion and a small cup or glass into which we pour wine as you arrive. If you are joining by Zoom, please have a small glass or cup of wine and a small piece of bread ready for the service. You may prefer just to observe.

<b>08.45</b>	<b>Priors Dean</b>	<b>Holy Communion (BCP)</b> led by Peter Sutton & Elizabeth Hawkins To book a place contact Jane Wyman <a href="mailto:jane.wyman@sillina.com">jane.wyman@sillina.com</a> 01420 511306
<b>09.30</b>	<b>Empshott</b>	<b>Holy Communion (BCP)</b> led by Peter Sutton & John Gibbon To book a place contact David Tucker <a href="mailto:David.Tucker@vssecurityproducts.com">David.Tucker@vssecurityproducts.com</a> 01420 538242
<b>10.15</b>	<b>Hawkley</b>	<b>Holy Communion (CW)</b> led by Peter Sutton & Elizabeth Hawkins To book a place contact Neil Chrimes <a href="mailto:thechrimes@btinternet.com">thechrimes@btinternet.com</a> 01730 827992
<b>11.00</b>	<b>Greatham</b>	<b>Morning Worship (CW)</b> led by Peter Sutton & Marjorie Arnold To book a place contact Kay Thorpe <a href="mailto:kay.thorpe@hotmail.co.uk">kay.thorpe@hotmail.co.uk</a> 01730 892314
<b>12.00</b>	<b>Zoom at Noon</b>	<b>Holy Communion (CW)</b> led by Peter Sutton from Hawkley Church Zoom link .... <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81032199878?pwd=aTVISXI3YnpXTct5VkNNTjZ5dTUyUT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81032199878?pwd=aTVISXI3YnpXTct5VkNNTjZ5dTUyUT09</a> Meeting ID: 810 3219 9878 Passcode: 566878

### Services Next Sunday – 23<sup>rd</sup> May

09.30	Empshott	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.15	Hawkley	Morning Worship (CW)
11.00	Greatham	Morning Worship (CW)
12.00	Zoom	Holy Communion (BCP)
14.30	Liss	Deanery Pentecost Praise – see details below

*Our churches are all still open to visitors (Priors Dean by appointment). Ask Peter Sutton for details.*

## **Hedging at Greatham**

Thank you to everyone who helped last Saturday in the rain – a great job done! Thank you.

## **Tuesday Zoom Coffee Morning – sorry – no Zoom coffee this week.**

### **Petersfield Deanery Pentecost Praise**

**23<sup>rd</sup> May – Pentecost Sunday 2.30pm to 3.30pm - St Mary's Liss**

An opportunity to gather together as a Deanery to celebrate the Festival of Pentecost. All are welcome. Each parish is invited to contribute a banner, art work or flower arrangement if they wish. Liss church will be open on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> (all day) to receive things and Eleanor Childs will be there in afternoon from 2pm-4pm.

Please book in by clicking on this link – <https://st-mary-s-church.reservio.com/events/aede3c6a-95bb-4583-a1cd-4f1d827587af/> or phone St Mary's Church Office 01730 892552 or email [lissparish@gmail.com](mailto:lissparish@gmail.com) with your name, number in party and email address (or phone number).

The usual Covid guidelines will be in place – please wear face masks and stay at a safe distance – the seating will be arranged in a suitably safe way.

The service will be live streamed and available to watch live or at a later time on St Mary's Facebook page.

## **Roberts Centre**

The Roberts Centre would now like to receive the following:

Food and Children's Summer clothes in good condition. They cannot take anything else until further notice.

Please leave donations in the porch of Hawkley Church.

If you have any concerns and would like to talk, please contact:

**Peter Sutton** 01730 827459

[peter.sutton@portsmouth.anglican.org](mailto:peter.sutton@portsmouth.anglican.org)

## How to Donate...

Churches took a serious financial hit in 2020 and the situation obviously continues into this year as well. We are very grateful to everyone who supports us regularly or occasionally – thank you! Your generosity is enabling the churches to function, albeit in very different ways.



Hawley, Priors Dean and Greatham Churches are members of the national Parish Giving Scheme which means that you can easily set up a way to give that suits you. Either visit the website <https://parishgivingscheme.org.uk> or telephone 0333 002 1260

To contribute to the life and ministry of Greatham, Hawley and Priors Dean Churches by the Parish Giving Scheme you just need to decide:

- *how much and how often you wish to give.*
- *if you wish to increase your donation by Gift Aid.*
- *if you want your donations to be increased each year in line with inflation.*

Via the Parish Giving Scheme website or by telephone (**0333 002 1260**) simply state the name of the Church you wish to support and their parish code:

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| • <b>St Peter and St Paul Church, Hawley</b> | Code Number: 290629087 |
| • <b>Priors Dean Church</b>                  | Code Number: 290629088 |
| • <b>St John the Baptist, Greatham</b>       | Code Number: 290629086 |

PGS will ask for your contact details and bank details: sort code, account number and account name. For details of other ways to support any of our churches, for example by standing order or occasional donation please contact the treasurer:

<b>Hawley</b>	Robin Crittenden	<a href="mailto:randmcrittenden@waitrose.com">randmcrittenden@waitrose.com</a>	01730 827969
<b>Priors Dean</b>	D Green	<a href="mailto:green@priorsdean.com">green@priorsdean.com</a>	01730 827636
<b>Greatham</b>	Steve Hedicker	<a href="mailto:shedicker58@gmail.com">shedicker58@gmail.com</a>	01420 538310
<b>Empshott</b>	Becky Smith	<a href="mailto:treasurerempshottpcc@gmail.com">treasurerempshottpcc@gmail.com</a>	01730 827397

## Thank you!



## FLOWER FESTIVAL

### “ALL NATURE IS A GARDEN”

Church of the Holy Rood, Empshott

Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> June 10.00 am to 5.00 pm

Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> June 10.30 am to 5.00 pm

Entry £5 (children free)

Stalls, including a plant stall      Refreshments served all day

The festival will celebrate the idyllic rural setting of this charming, ancient church, its natural surroundings and the beauty of an English summer.

The theme is “**All Nature is a Garden**” and we aim to bring the countryside into the church with lavish use of native, seasonal flowers and foliage.

We will also pay tribute to Gilbert White of Selborne whose 300<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations were postponed last year.

We have designed our festival to use only recyclable materials.

Flowers will be arranged in water or moss rather than floral foam.

Parking in nearby field, disabled parking available

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Instagram [@empshottflowerfestival](https://www.instagram.com/empshottflowerfestival)