

## Church News

Trinity 10 - Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2021

### **Covid Update:**

- *it is no longer necessary to book a place in Church, however please either sign in when you attend a service by using the track and trace list or use the QR code with the NHS Covid App when you enter church*
- *wearing masks or face coverings is voluntary but encouraged - and especially for communal singing*
- *our method of having communion (bringing our own small cup and piece of bread) will continue at least until the end of August as we wait for clearer advice on which PCCs can make firm decisions about the best way forward*
- *it is important that we are all mindful of others so that everyone is comfortable when attending services in our churches. As services become a little longer we will review service times for the start of September*
- *we normally aim to stream one Benefice service each week – this Sunday, from Greatham at 1100*

### **This Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August**

<b>09.30</b>	<b>Empshott</b>	<b>Holy Communion (BCP)</b> led by Peter Sutton & Kate Lloyd-Jones
<b>10.15</b>	<b>Hawkley</b>	<b>Morning Worship (CW)</b> led by Elizabeth Hawkins and Marjorie Arnold
<b>11.00</b>	<b>Greatham</b>	<b>Holy Communion (CW)</b> led by Peter Sutton, Kate Lloyd-Jones and Paul Goddard. Please click the link below to join the service online: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86314963879">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86314963879</a>
<b>18.30</b>	<b>Priors Dean</b>	<b>Evensong (BCP)</b> led by Peter Sutton and Elizabeth Hawkins

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

### **Next Sunday – 15<sup>th</sup> August**

08.45	Priors Dean	Holy Communion (BCP)
09.30	Empshott	Morning Prayer (BCP)
10.15	Hawkley	Holy Communion (CW)
11.00	Greatham	Morning Worship (CW)

### **Hawkley - Produce in the Porch**

Raising funds for the Church Bells – please leave donations of fruit and veg in the porch, and donations for what you take in the pot provided.

### **Greatham – Recycling used (empty) blister packs**

If you have used (empty) medication blister packs, please leave them in the box at the back of Church. The aluminium content is separated and sold for recycling which is used to help fund medical training in Kenya.

### **Hawkley Coffee and Chat**

It's back in the Village Hall – Tuesdays 10.00 to 12.00, all welcome.

## 'Good Sunday' 29<sup>th</sup> August

The future of the Parish system is very fragile, and many parishes are under threat as the national Church and Diocese looks to the future beyond the Pandemic in the face of pressing financial challenges. Larger teams, groups and benefices will potentially threaten the independence and unique character of parishes and this might especially be true in rural communities. Further to this is a programme for the national church to direct resources away from parishes towards new forms of churches.

For the last two years we have not been able to have our Good Friday Walk across the Benefice so here is an alternative for our first Benefice Service for a long time: a **fifth Sunday Benefice 'Good Sunday' walk** with 15 minutes in each Church to build up a complete service of Morning Prayer but enjoying the distinctive traditions of each Church is being prepared. As the service proceeds there will be a short homily in each place to explore the challenges that lie ahead. The approximate timings are:

<b>09.15</b>	<b>Priors Dean</b>	Part 1 of the service, leaving Church at 09.30
<b>10.00</b>	<b>Hawkley</b>	Part 2 of the service, leaving Hawkley at 10.15
<b>10.45</b>	<b>Empshott</b>	Part 3 of the service, leaving Empshott at 11.00
<b>11.30</b>	<b>Greatham</b>	Part 4 of the service, concluding not later than 12 Noon

Join us for all or part of the morning; walk if you can or drive to whichever part of the morning you are able to get to. Alternatively, there will be an **8am BCP Holy Communion at Hawkley** for those who cannot join in the 'Good Sunday' Walk.

## Save the Parish

A new movement was launched last week which seeks to help the Church of England rebalance its focus back towards a love of and support for its parish system. The evening was a great success and you can watch the speeches by the Revd Professor Alison Milbank and the Revd Stephen Trott by clicking image below.



## Hawkley Parish Walk and Vicarage Tea – Monday 30<sup>th</sup> August

Meet at the Hawkley Church Lychgate at 2pm for the walk and come for tea in the Vicarage at 3pm. There will be a £1 raffle to support the Bells Restoration Project. All are welcome but to help with numbers please RSVP either to Elizabeth Hawkins 01730 827502 or Pippa Dice 01730 827998 [pippa.dice@btinternet.com](mailto:pippa.dice@btinternet.com)

## Roberts Centre

The Roberts Centre would now like to receive the following:

Food and Children's Summer clothes in good condition. Also, painting and decorating equipment for New Start homes. They cannot take anything else until further notice.

Please leave donations in the porch of Hawkley Church.

## 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.



Each of our 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, Hawkley 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:

- **St Peter and St Paul Church, Hawkley** Code Number: 290629087
- **Priors Dean Church** Code Number: 290629088
- **St John the Baptist, Greatham** Code Number: 290629086
- **Empshott** Code Number: 290629083

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>Hawkley</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>	01420538310
<b>Empshott</b>	Becky Smith	<a href="mailto:treasurerempshottpcc@gmail.com">treasurerempshottpcc@gmail.com</a>	01730 827397

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

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## Thank you!