

Parishes of Greatham, Empshott and Hawkley with Priors Dean

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Church News

3rd November 2024

All Saints' / All Souls'

Empshott 09.15 Holy Communion

Led by Peter Sutton

Hawkley 10.15 Holy Communion with Sunday Funday

Led by Peter Sutton and Elizabeth Hawkins

Greatham 11.00 Holy Communion

Led by Kay Thorpe and Paul Goddard

Priors Dean 17.30 All Souls' Service

Led by Peter Sutton and Elizabeth Hawkins



First Sunday Funday at Hawkley. After a song and send off at the start of the service it's off to the Village Hall for a time of fun, craft and exploration. For safety in crossing the road and safeguarding reasons we ask for one parent from families to accompany their child or children. First Sunday Fun will last for about 30 minutes and the children

will come back to church in time for the distribution of communion and to tell us, before the service ends, what they have been up to! All are welcome.

All are Welcome!

Our churches are all open to visitors (Priors Dean by appointment).

Contact Peter Sutton for details – 01730 827459 or

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All Souls' Service at Priors Dean 15.30 - 3rd November

Remembering loved ones who have died. If you would like family members remembered at the All Souls' service, 5.30pm 3rd November, please add names to the lists available in each of our churches.

A Matter of Life and Death 6th November

We tend to avoid talking about death. It was Maggie Johnson's wish that we might do just that, so with her and Sue Jones I have been planning this event in Hawkley Village Hall on Wednesday 6th November 2.30pm – 4.00pm called, '**A Matter of Life and Death**'.

With Maggie we had planned this opportunity to think and talk over tea and biscuits. Using a tried and tested method to get conversations started, around tables there will be cards with helpful questions – questions just to get us thinking and talking about this topic we so easily avoid. For some it is a really difficult subject and if people just want to listen that's fine – there will be no lectures – just an opportunity to think and perhaps ask more questions.

Sadly, now without Maggie who was going to help facilitate, Sue Jones and I will lead the afternoon using material called 'Grave Talk', to help start conversations. In addition to having conversations and just listening, there will be an opportunity to ask questions if you have them. You might have questions about the practicalities – what has to be done when someone we love dies? How do we organise a funeral and what could, or should, I be thinking about now. You might have questions about the nature of grief and grieving. Or about theology or belief. We may not have answers to every question – this is after all one of the big mysteries – but we'll do our best to start the process.

If the afternoon session goes well, we'll think about what kind of follow up would be helpful. That might be more gatherings like this one to talk in general terms or in future, to have opportunities to be more specific.

It would be really helpful to have a rough idea of numbers so if you plan to come do please let me know.

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Hawley supporting Portsmouth Family Welfare

Please leave donations in Hawley Church Porch for collection. All items of tinned or packets of food and biscuits gratefully received.

Toiletries: Toilet rolls and toiletries (children's toothpaste, deodorants, adult toothpaste, deodorants, razors (not Bic Yellow), shower gels, bubble bath and shampoos).

Tins/Jars: Tuna, pasta-n-sauce, chunky stew, minced meat, corned beef, hotdogs, chicken, bacon grill, chopped ham, sweetcorn, carrots, runner-beans, peas, potatoes.

Bottles/cartons: squashes, long life, semi-skimmed or full-fat milk.

Packets: cereals (not oats), mashed potato, biscuits, teabags, sugar, coffee, crisps. Pot noodles & meatballs.

Electrical items: Microwave, Hoover, Electric Kettle, Iron, Sandwich toaster. (We do electrical/Pat Test check).

A letter from PFW – at the back of Church

'What can we say, again you have excelled yourselves, the food donations you have supplied to our charity this year is stupendous!



A pair of pink-rimmed glasses in a grey SpecSavers case was found at the bottom of a carrier bag containing food for PFW. These glasses are now on the table at the back of

Hawley Church waiting to be claimed.

Morning Prayer and Reflections

Our current practice is to say Morning Prayer on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 0900 at Greatham and at 0730 on Wednesdays at Hawkley. Because of road closures in Greatham lasting 12 weeks we are going to trial a different pattern and to switch all of these services to Hawkley until the road works are completed. This will coincide with reintroducing Reflections on Monday mornings – for this same trial period.

The new pattern at Hawkley will be:

Mondays	0900	Reflections
Tuesdays	0900	Morning Prayer
Wednesdays	0730	Morning Prayer
Thursdays	0900	Morning Prayer

Reflections will begin with a very much shortened introduction of Morning Prayer followed by reading the readings for the forthcoming Sunday. The readings are followed by discussion about the readings. It is a great way of preparing for the coming Sunday and letting the words of readings sink into our subconscious in the coming days. No one has to join in with a discussion, just listening is encouraged as well!

Morning Prayer from Common Worship is the contemporary version of the morning daily office. It follows a pattern of introduction, psalm(s), readings, canticles including the Benedictus and prayers appropriate to the day. Currently up to 5 or 6 people might come – it is a great way to start the day and there is room for lots more!

Neither Reflections nor Morning Prayer will last for more than 30 minutes.

Some attendees of Morning Prayer, but by no means all, use the App on their phones for Morning Prayer which saves having to look up readings and psalms – it's all on the phone! How times have changed. Whether you come to church for this or not, have a look at this App – you can, of course use it anywhere!



Everyone and anyone is always welcome!

***Come to our **Disco Party** in the Empshott Hut
Saturday 16th November from 7.30pm
Tickets £15 to include welcome drink and party snacks
Dance hits from 1960 to 2000.***

R.S.V.P. to: empshottevents@gmail.com

Bring your friends and be ready to BOP!

Dress: Party Style!

Parking and Bar



St. Mary's Liss

**Choral Evensong
Sung by the Free Radicals**

5.30pm Sunday 17th November



**All are welcome
Beautiful choral music and well-known hymns!**

St Mary's Church, Station Road, Liss. GU33 7AQ

Revd Kate Lloyd Jones

Kate Lloyd Jones will be licensed as Associate Priest at St Matthew's Blackmoor at 7pm on Wednesday 20th November. All are welcome to share in this service as we pray for Kate on the next stage in her ministry.

Christmas Shopping at Greatham



**ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH
GREATHAM GU33 6HB**

**CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EVENING
22ND NOVEMBER
6PM UNTIL 8PM**

**VARIOUS STALLS, REFRESHMENTS AND MUCH
MORE!**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BOOK A
STALL**

**CONTACT 07976744484 OR 01420 487887
STALLS COST £10 PER STALL**

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The Empshott Quiz



Tables of 6 or 8.

The bar will be open for beer, wine and more.

Entry £10, includes a hot dog!



Coffee? Cake?

Come, chat, make new friends.

Tuesdays at Hawkley Village Hall 1000 – 1200.

Thursdays in Greatham Church Centre 1000- 1200.



Hawkley Village

Christmas Fair

Sponsored by Henry Adams
Petersfield

The shopping event of the year!

FABULOUS GIFTS - LOCAL PRODUCE - CHRISTMAS
DECORATIONS - KIDS ACTIVITIES - SANTA'S GROTTO
RAFFLE - BOOKS - BRIC A BRAC - CAROL SINGING
AND MUCH MORE

JOIN US FOR A GLASS OF MULLED WINE AND SOME
DELICIOUS SEASONAL TREATS

SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 11 AM - 3 PM
HAWKLEY VILLAGE HALL
FREE ENTRY



How to Donate

We are very grateful to everyone who supports us financially – thank you! 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 use www.parishgiving.org.uk or 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, Hawley

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, please contact the appropriate treasurer:

Hawley	Alex Baker	Alexandra-wilkinson@hotmail.com
Priors Dean	D Green	green@priorsdean.com
Greatham	Steve Hedicker	shedicker58@gmail.com
Empshott	Verity Tucker	verityvmtucker@gmail.com

Coming Soon

3 Nov	Sunday Funday at Hawley
3 Nov	All Souls' Service at Priors Dean
6 Nov	A Matter of Life and Death
11 Nov	Hawley PCC
12 Nov	Greatham PCC
13 Nov	Empshott PCC
16 Nov	Empshott Disco
17 Nov	Free Radicals Evensong at Liss
18 Nov	Yewlian Meeting
22 Nov	Greatham Christmas Shopping Night
30 Nov	Hawley Christmas Fayre

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Parochial Church Councils:

Greatham:

David Rudd (Church Warden), Kay Thorpe (Church Warden), Carole Rudd Secretary & Safeguarding Officer), Steve Hedicker, Simon Lewis and Paul Goddard

Empshott:

David Tucker (Church Warden), Helen Sinclair (Church Warden), Carol Ashby, Sarah Walker, Verity Tucker, Susan Sinclair, Phil Momber and Peter Sutton

Hawley with Priors Dean:

Neil Chrimes (Church Warden), Tom Wilkinson (Church Warden), Molly Keer, Alex Wilkinson, Jane Wyman, Carolyn Fair, D Green, Nick Pettman, Jo Knight (*Safeguarding Officer for Hawley and Empshott*), Maggie Johnson, Elizabeth Hawkins and Peter Sutton

Next Sunday – 10th November

Empshott	10.45	Service of Remembrance
Hawley	10.45	Service of Remembrance
Greatham	10.45	Service of Remembrance
Priors Dean	17.30	Service of Remembrance

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