

*Parishes of Greatham, Empshott and Hawkley with Priors Dean*

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## **Church News**

### **9<sup>th</sup> March 2025 – Lent 1**

**Empshott 09.15 Morning Prayer**

Paul Goddard

**Hawkley 10.15 Holy Communion**

Elizabeth Hawkins, Sue Jones, Archdeacon Kathryn Percival and Peter Sutton

**Greatham 11.00 Morning Worship**

Kay Thorpe and Paul Goddard

**Priors Dean 17.30 Evensong**

Elizabeth Hawkins and Peter Sutton

### **15.00 Hawkley Bells Quarter Peal**

Remembering with Thanksgiving the life of John Gresswell and marking Peter Sutton's retirement.

### **Spring Concert and Farewell Reception**

On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March there will be a Spring Concert with Peter and others at Hawkley followed by a reception in the Hawkley Village Hall to say farewell to Peter and Pippa.

*All are Welcome!*

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

*Contact Peter Sutton for details – 01730 827459 or*

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

## **Lent courses and resources in Petersfield Deanery**

### **Steep**

“The place where beauty starts”; a course by Brian Draper. Weekly sessions on Wednesdays at 2:15pm starting on 5th March. Contact Caroline on 01730 263460 for more details.

### **Liss**

“Living life in all its fullness”; Exploring Christian Spirituality through scripture, film, texts, poetry, art and more. Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm starting on 11<sup>th</sup> March

### **Liphook**

“Living in the Spirit”; Weekly sessions looking at the gifts of the Spirit. Contact the parish office for details on 01428 725390 or office@liphookchurch.co.uk

### **Buriton**

“Practicing the Way”; Four 1 hour sessions on how to rest, read the bible, pray and serve 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm, 31<sup>st</sup> March and 7<sup>th</sup> April at 7:30pm in the Seward room, in St Marys church.

### **Petersfield**

“The joy of the Lord is my strength”; Finding strength in the face of the challenges of today - a 5 week course for Lent. Each session runs on Tuesdays at 7pm and Thursdays at 12 noon (starting on Tues 11th March & Thurs 13th March). The Meeting Room in St Peter’s church.

### **“Preparing for the Passion”**

A study session with Bishop Ian, looking at the passion in Luke’s gospel.

Wednesday 9th April 7-9pm or Friday 11th April 1-3pm in the Meeting Room in St Peter’s church and also Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2pm to 4pm in the Hawkley Village Hall.



## Preparing for the Passion 9<sup>th</sup> April

Bishop Ian Brackley will lead a study on the Passion Narratives 2pm to 4pm on Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> April in the Hawkley Village Hall. A perfect preparation for Holy Week which begins with Palm Sunday on 13<sup>th</sup> April.

If you would like to attend, please let Jane Wyman know:  
[jane.wyman@sillina.com](mailto:jane.wyman@sillina.com)

## 15<sup>th</sup> March Greatham Quiz Night

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH GREATHAM

# QUIZ NIGHT



**SATURDAY 15TH MARCH 2025**

**VENUE**  
**GREATHAM VILLAGE HALL**  
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£10 per person includes a Fish and Chip Supper  
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## Resound Worship at Sheet 16<sup>th</sup> March



# Resound Worship

Downcast Souls Expectant Hearts



[www.resoundworship.org](http://www.resoundworship.org)

**Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> March,  
6pm for 6.30pm start.**

Suggested donation £10 pp.  
Bring cash or card on the night!

**To book:** contact *The Parish Office*  
[admin@sheet.church](mailto:admin@sheet.church) 01730 642129

**St. Mary Magdalen Church, Sheet, GU32 2AQ**

## Skittles at Empshott 22<sup>nd</sup> March



The Empshott Hut  
presents

Beer  
and  
Skittles

Saturday 22 March at 7.00

Wine • Beer • Hot Dogs • £10 on the door • Teams of six • Trophy to be won!

Email [empshotthut@gmail.com](mailto:empshotthut@gmail.com) to reserve your place



### Weekday Morning Prayer at Hawkley

Mondays	0900
Tuesdays	0900
Wednesdays	0730
Thursdays	0900

**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 a lot more! Morning Prayer last for 20 – 25 minutes.

Some attendees of Morning Prayer, but by no means all, use the App on their phones 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!

## Portsmouth Family Welfare

**PFW** are in need of boys clothes for 10 - 14 years as well as the usual food items. **Roberts Centre** has re-opened in temporary buildings. They do not have space at the moment for food but would be delighted to receive **Children's books and puzzles.**

Please leave items in the Church Porch. Once they are fully operational we will update you on what else they require. Our next delivery will be during the first week in April. Thank you.

If you need any additional information please contact Elizabeth Hawkins.



Bishop Martin Gordon, Hawkley's CMS link mission partner in in Goma, says the "suffering is immense. People are terrified, and the needs are overwhelming. But even in this darkness, the Church is standing as a place of refuge and hope."

If you are able to help by donating to the Goma Appeal, please visit the CMS website. [www.churchmissionsociety.org](http://www.churchmissionsociety.org)

## Electoral Roll

New Electoral Rolls must be created this year. Please consider whether you would like to be on it – and return your application form as soon as possible, either to the Church or to the Officer direct. (Even if you are on the existing Roll you need to complete a new application). Dates by which forms must be returned are:

Empshott	22 <sup>nd</sup> March
Hawklely with Priors Dean	9 <sup>th</sup> April
Greatham	26 <sup>th</sup> April

In each of our churches there are application forms or please contact the Electoral Roll Officer if you would like to receive the application form by email. The Empshott Annual Meeting is 6<sup>th</sup> April, Hawklely with Priors Dean's is 4<sup>th</sup> May and the Greatham meeting is on 11<sup>th</sup> May. The Electoral Roll Officers for each individual Parish are:

Greatham	Carole Rudd	<a href="mailto:carolerudd2412@gmail.com">carolerudd2412@gmail.com</a>
Empshott	Sarah Walker	<a href="mailto:sarah.walker@netcom.co.uk">sarah.walker@netcom.co.uk</a>
Hawklely with Priors Dean	Tom Wilkinson	<a href="mailto:tom-wilkinson@hotmail.co.uk">tom-wilkinson@hotmail.co.uk</a>

## Forthcoming Clergy Vacancy

Peter Sutton's last Sunday:

Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	10.15 Holy Communion at Hawklely
	17.30 Evensong at Priors Dean

On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March there will be a Spring Concert with Peter and others at Hawklely followed by a reception in the Hawklely Village Hall to say farewell to Peter and Pippa.

Although he will take no Sunday services after that date he will, if necessary, conduct any baptisms, weddings or funerals that are required until his licence as incumbent comes to an end on 30<sup>th</sup> April.

Archdeacon Kathryn will meet with the joint PCCs on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May, a formal meeting to approve the Parish Profile, appoint two representatives from each PCC to work with the Bishop and Archdeacon and to decide whether or not to accept a nomination for the post if the Bishop has one to make. If that is not the case, to request that the post be advertised as soon as possible.



## 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](http://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:

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## Church News

If you would like to receive Church News, which is emailed weekly, please contact Peter Sutton [peter.sutton@portsmouth.anglican.org](mailto:peter.sutton@portsmouth.anglican.org)

## Clergy Contacts:

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### Revd Sue Jones

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## Readers:

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Paul Goddard 07837 651579

## Parochial Church Councils:

**Greatham:** David Rudd (Church Warden), Kay Thorpe (Church Warden), Carole Rudd (Secretary & Safeguarding Officer), Steve Hedicker, Simon Lewis and Paul Goddard and Peter Sutton.

**Empshott:** David Tucker (Church Warden and Vice Chair), Helen Sinclair (Church Warden), Carol Ashby, Sarah Walker, Verity Tucker, Susan Sinclair, Phil Momber and Peter Sutton. (*Safeguarding Officer:* Jo Knight)

**Hawkley 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 Hawkley and Empshott*), Elizabeth Hawkins and Peter Sutton

## Safeguarding Officers:

Greatham: Carole Rudd 01420 538160

Hawkley with Priors Dean and Empshott: Jo Knight 01730 827974

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Hawkley with Priors Dean	Tom Wilkinson	<a href="mailto:tom-wilkinson@hotmail.co.uk">tom-wilkinson@hotmail.co.uk</a>

## Next Sunday – 16<sup>th</sup> March

Priors Dean	08.45	Holy Communion
Empshott	09.15	Morning Prayer
Hawkley	10.15	Holy Communion
Greatham	11.00	Morning Worship