

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



Welcoming, Invitational & Inclusive, Safe and Encouraging

**Church News**  
**8<sup>th</sup> March 2026**  
**Third Sunday of Lent**

**This Sunday:**

**Priors Dean 08.45**      **Holy Communion**

Sue Jones

**Empshott 09.15**      **Holy Communion**

Richard Wharton

**Hawkley 10.15**      **Holy Communion**

Sue Jones

**Greatham 11.00**      **Holy Communion**

Richard Wharton

***All welcome!***

## Stations of the Cross for Lent

We will be holding a short time of reflection based on the Stations of the Cross on each of the Wednesdays between Ash Wednesday and Palm Sunday (11<sup>th</sup> March, 18<sup>th</sup> March, 25<sup>th</sup> March). This will be at 6.00 p.m. at St Peter and St Paul, Hawkley. Do come and join us on any week if you are able.



## Coming up...

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March – Mothering Sunday – there will be a service of Family Worship at Hawkley Church at 10.15am, to which all ages are warmly invited

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March – 3pm Greatham Spring Flower Show at Greatham Village Hall – Flyer in ‘Village Magazine’, but, if in doubt, contact Tricia Porter 07950 613660 for details

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March – 7.00pm – The Empshott Skittles Tournament at The Hut, Empshott. £10 entry on the door. Teams of six, with beer, wine and hot dogs...

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

Holy Saturday – 4<sup>th</sup> April – 5.30pm - A Concert of Quiet Reflective Easter Music in Hawkley Church

## Liss Food Bank

Just a reminder that there is a collection point at the Parish Church of St. John the Baptist, Greatham.

All long shelf-life, non-perishable items are welcome, from sugar to pasta and baked beans to instant coffee. In keeping with the ‘healthy eating’ agenda, sweets and chocolates are not accepted.

## The Roberts Centre and Portsmouth Family Welfare

...can take donations of food. Donations must have a long shelf-life so please check the BBE date when you purchase.

The following items have been requested:

Sugar

Long-life milk: skimmed, semi-skimmed, full fat

Chunky soups

Tinned vegetables including tinned potatoes

Tinned meat and fish, baked beans, noodles, pasta

Cereals

Tea, coffee, including de-caff, and squash

Biscuits, chocolate, pre-wrapped cake

Loo rolls, kitchen towel, dish cloths

Toiletries for men and women. Sanitary pads, toothbrushes and toothpaste, soap, shampoo

Babies nappies.

In addition, children's clothing for 2 - 12 years.

Please leave any donations in Hawkley Church porch for delivery in March  
They can no longer take curtains and sheets but will accept duvets and duvet covers.

They are continuing with Supermarket vouchers. If you would like to make a cash donation for a voucher so that clients can buy for themselves under supervision, please put a donation in an envelope marked 'Roberts Centre Food voucher' and give it to either Jeremy or Elizabeth.

*Thank you for your continued support.*



## How to donate and support our work

We are hugely grateful to everyone who supports us financially - thank you! Each of the four churches is a member 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:

<b>St Peter and St Paul Church, Hawkle</b>	Code Number: 290629087
<b>Priors Dean Church</b>	Code Number: 290629088
<b>St John the Baptist, Greatham</b>	Code Number: 290629086
<b>Empshott Holy Rood</b>	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 know someone who would like to receive Church News, which is emailed weekly, please contact Paul Goddard [rattypaul@hotmail.com](mailto:rattypaul@hotmail.com)

We can also share details of events around our villages, as appropriate.

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

**Hawley with Priors Dean:** Neil Chrimes (Church Warden), Tom Wilkinson (Church Warden), Liz Buckle, Molly Keer, Alex Wilkinson, Jane Wyman, Carolyn Fair, D Green, Nick Pettman, Jo Knight (*Safeguarding Officer for Hawley and Empshott*) and Elizabeth Hawkins.

## Safeguarding Officers:

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Empshott *Vacant*

Hawley with

Priors Dean Tom Wilkinson [tom-wilkinson@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:tom-wilkinson@hotmail.co.uk)

**Next Sunday – 15<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**Mothering Sunday**

**09.15 – Empshott - Holy Communion**

**10.15 – Hawkley – Family Worship for Mothering Sunday**

**11.00 – Greatham – Holy Communion**

**17.30 – Priors Dean – Evensong**