

Parishes of Greatham, Empshott and Hawkley with Priors Dean



Welcoming, Invitational & Inclusive, Safe and Encouraging

Church News

19th October 2025

Trinity 18

This Sunday:

Priors Dean 08.45 Holy Communion

Richard Wharton

Empshott 09.15 Morning Prayer

Elizabeth Hawkins

Hawkley 10.15 Holy Communion

Richard Wharton

Greatham 11.00 Morning Worship

Kay Thorpe and Richard Wharton

All welcome!

Service for All Souls

We will be holding a quiet, reflective service for All Souls on Saturday 1st November in Priors Dean Church at 5.30pm, which all are welcome to attend. In this service, we remember and give thanks for the lives of those who have died over the past year. If anyone has names that they would like to be read aloud during the service, please send these to Richard: richardjwharton@outlook.com

The Roberts Centre

PFW/ Roberts Centre

The Roberts Centre is now able to take donations of food. As for PFW it must have a long shelf life so please check the BBE date when you purchase.

The following items have been requested

Tinned and/or packets to supply a larder

Suggested items

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-caf, and squash

Biscuits, chocolate, pre-wrapped cake

Loo rolls, Kitchen towel, dish cloths

Toiletries for men and women.

In addition Children's clothing for 0 - 10/11 years and particularly boys clothing up to the age of 16 - 17 years.

Coming up: October and November

From Wednesday coming (22nd October) there will be a service of Holy Communion at 07:30, at Hawkley, instead of Morning Prayer.

Saturday 1st November in Priors Dean Church at 5.30pm a Service of 'All Souls' – please send names for reading out at the service to Richard – details above (and below!)

Tuesday 25th November – 2-4pm - Bishop Ian has kindly agreed to lead an Advent talk for us once again.



Weekday Morning Prayer at Hawkley

Mondays	0900
Tuesdays	0900
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!



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 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, Hawkey
Priors Dean Church
St John the Baptist, Greatham
Empshott

Code Number: 290629087
Code Number: 290629088
Code Number: 290629086
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:

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

Church News

If you know someone who would like to receive Church News, which is emailed weekly, please contact Paul Goddard rattypaul@hotmail.com

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

Clergy Contacts:

Rev'd Richard Wharton richardjwharton@outlook.com

Rev'd Sue Jones susan.jones1410@gmail.com 07884 141019

Readers:

Elizabeth Hawkins 01730 827502
Paul Goddard 07837 651579 (rattypaul@hotmail.com)

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, Sarah Walker, Verity Tucker, Susan Sinclair and Phil Momber. (*Safeguarding Officer: Jo Knight*)

Hawkey 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 Hawkey and Empshott*) and Elizabeth Hawkins.

Safeguarding Officers:

Greatham:	Carole Rudd	01420 538160
Hawkey with Priors Dean and Empshott:	Jo Knight	01730 827974

Electoral Roll Officers:

Greatham	Carole Rudd	carolerudd2412@gmail.com
Empshott	Sarah Walker	sarah.walker@netcom.uk
Hawkey with Priors Dean	Tom Wilkinson	tom-wilkinson@hotmail.co.uk

Next Sunday – 26th October – Last Sunday of Trinity

Empshott 09.15 Holy Communion

Hawkley 10.15 Holy Communion

Greatham 11.00 Holy Communion