

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

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# **Church News**

## **12<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

### **Second Sunday after Easter**

#### **This Sunday:**

**Priors Dean 08.45      Holy Communion**  
Richard Wharton

**Empshott 09.15      Morning Worship**  
Elizabeth Hawkins

**Hawkley 10.15      Morning Worship**  
Tom Wilkinson and Liz Buckle

**Greatham 11.00      Holy Communion**  
Richard Wharton

***All welcome!***

## Holy Saturday Concert – ‘When I survey the Wondrous Cross’

A small audience from across our village communities was treated to a superb concert of reflective Easter choral music on Holy Saturday, sung by the Hawkley Church Choir and a small ensemble directed by Kevin Jacot, along with instrumental pieces by Henny (bassoon) and Kevin (violin). Those who were unable to be there may enjoy watching Kevin’s video of the event at

[https://youtu.be/Y\\_s3tTeWJQs](https://youtu.be/Y_s3tTeWJQs)

Many thanks to all who performed. The concert led seamlessly into the special Service of Light at Priors Dean.

### Coming up...

Advance notice of the **Fun Dog Show and Summer Fete**, to be held at the Church of St John the Baptist, Greatham, from 12 noon on Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> June 2026 – poster below!

**Plant and Cake Sale** – Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May between 10.20 and 11.30am, at the Upper Green, Hawkley

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

**FUN DOG SHOW  
AND**

**SUMMER FETE  
20TH JUNE 2026**

**AT  
12 NOON  
VARIOUS STALLS  
AND**

**NCMA MODULAR RAILWAY**

**TO BOOK A STALL EMAIL:  
kay.thorpe@hotmail.co.uk  
STALLS ARE £10 PER STALL  
DOG SHOW CLASSES BOOKED  
ON THE DAY  
REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE**



## Liss Food Bank

There is a collection point at 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

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, Hawkley</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:

<b>Hawkley</b>	Alex Wilkinson	<a href="mailto:Alexandra-wilkinson@hotmail.com">Alexandra-wilkinson@hotmail.com</a>
<b>Priors Dean</b>	D Green	<a href="mailto:green@priorsdean.com">green@priorsdean.com</a>
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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)

**Hawkley 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 Hawkley and Empshott*) and Elizabeth Hawkins.

## Safeguarding Officers:

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Empshott *Vacant*

Hawkley with

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

## **Next Sunday – 19<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

### **Third Sunday after Easter**

<b>09.15</b>	<b>Empshott</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
<b>10.15</b>	<b>Hawkley</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>
<b>11.00</b>	<b>Greatham</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
<b>18.0</b>	<b>Priors Dean</b>	<b>Evensong</b>