

Parishes of Greatham, Empshott and Hawkley with Priors Dean



Welcoming, Invitational & Inclusive, Safe and Encouraging

Church News
10th May 2026
Sixth Sunday of Easter

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!

Coming up...

Sunday 10th May – Rescheduled - Greatham APCM, which follows after the service, over coffee and cake. (Documents were sent to the Greatham mailing lists with Church News last week, as attachments)

Sunday 17th May - the normal 10.15 Sunday service at Hawkley will take the form of an outdoor service for the blessing of animals (sometimes known as a 'Pet Service'). Do bring along an animal (pet or otherwise) as we come together to thank God for the fellowship of other creatures and to pray for compassionate hearts so that we may care for them and for all creation.



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, 20th June 2026** – poster below!

And don't forget:

Coffee and Chat – Every Tuesday at 10.00 – noon, at Hawkley Village Hall

St John's Coffee Cafe – Every Thursday at 10.00 – noon, in the Church Room at St John's, Greatham

**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 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, Hawkley	Code Number: 290629087
Priors Dean Church	Code Number: 290629088
St John the Baptist, Greatham	Code Number: 290629086
Empshott Holy Rood	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:

Hawkley	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.

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Parochial Church Councils:

Greatham: 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:

Greatham: Carole Rudd 01420 538160

Hawkley with Priors Dean and Empshott: Jo Knight 01730 827974

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Empshott *Vacant*

Hawkley with

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Next Sunday – 17th May 2026

Seventh Sunday of Easter

09.15	Empshott	Holy Communion
10.15	Hawkley	Holy Communion
11.00	Greatham	Holy Communion
18.00	Priors Dean	Evensong