

BENEFICE NEWS SHEET

St Laurence Winslow; St James' Great Horwood with Singleborough; St Mary's Addington

OUR ASPIRATIONS: HOLINESS, HOSPITALITY AND HEALING

WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE TODAY - If you are here for the first time, please introduce yourself to those around you and to the clergy. If you have pre-school children, please feel free to use the children's area. A sides person will be happy to help if you have any questions. All those Baptised and over the age of 7 are welcome to receive communion. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, when you come to the Altar rail, please leave your arms down by your side.

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Church Wardens - St Laurence: Jo Anderson 712650; Chris Ryalls 712029; **St James':** David Brazier 714712; June Margerrison 714554; **St Mary's:** Robert Cronk 713813. **Items for pew sheet to churchoffice71@gmail.com**

1st Sunday of month:

St Laurence Church Winslow

8am Holy Communion BCP

9.30am Sung Eucharist

St James' Church Great Horwood

11am Parish Eucharist

2nd Sunday of month:

St Laurence Church Winslow

9.30am Sung Eucharist

6pm Evensong

St James' Church Great Horwood

10.30am Breakfast followed at 11am Come & Praise

3rd Sunday of month:

St Laurence Church Winslow

8am Holy Communion BCP

9.30am Come and Share All Age Sung Eucharist followed by breakfast

St James' Church Great Horwood

11am Parish Eucharist

4th Sunday of month:

St Laurence Church Winslow

9.30am Sung Eucharist with (optional) Laying on of hands with prayer for healing in the St Alban Chapel after receiving communion

St James' Church Great Horwood

11am Come & Share All Age Eucharist Service

5th Sundays of the month – St Laurence 9.30am Eucharist or Matins service; **St James'** 11am Parish Eucharist

St Laurence Church

Every Wednesday 12 noon Said Eucharist **Every Friday** 9.15-9.30am Daily Prayer

St Mary's Church Addington –

SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS – SUNDAY 15TH DECEMBER 5PM

BENEFICE PRAYERS - If anyone would like a name to continue to be on the list please let Andrew or a Church Warden know. There is a **PRAYER BOWL** on a desk just outside the St Alban Chapel – Prayer cards are in the desk drawer. Cards are collected at regular intervals by Rev. Andrew/Father Anton and those mentioned on the cards are prayed for.

REGULAR EVENTS ST JAMES CHURCH & GREAT HORWOOD

On the 2nd Sunday of each month FOOD is followed by our

COME AND PRAISE SERVICE! This service starts at 11am with bacon and sausage sarnies beforehand at 10.30am – delicious! You could then join in with the Music Group by playing your own instrument or by playing the percussion instruments supplied. The service always includes fun activities in which you can take part.

BELL RINGING PRACTICE - In St James Church
7.30pm Mondays

GREAT HORWOOD VILLAGE HALL – OPEN FOR COFFEE every Wednesday 9.30-11.30am with 'pop up' post office. All welcome.

REGULAR EVENTS AT ST LAURENCE CHURCH

BELL RINGING PRACTICE - In St Laurence Church
7.30pm Mondays

BIBLE STUDY GROUP – 1st/3rd Tuesdays 10.30am - led by Ann Daymond. Contact Jo for details – 712650

HOUSE GROUP – Tuesdays 8-9.30pm. Contact Jo
TODDLER TIME – Wednesdays in Church 10-11am, with refreshments

ST LAURENCE ROOM - open for coffee 10-noon
Wednesdays

IN TOUCH GROUP – 2-3.30pm, 1st Thursday of month – an informal group basing discussions around themes or aspects of Church life, after which we enjoy a cup of tea. Anyone interested is welcome. Contact Anne Newham 714330

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER – 8pm, last Thursday of the month in the St Laurence Room, starting with refreshments. Contact Jo for details

CHOIR PRACTICE – Fridays 6.30pm-Juniors; 7.30pm-Adults

THE FUNERAL FOR JEAN DALE is Tuesday 22nd in church at 2.30pm. All are welcome. Following the church service, the committal will take place at Aylesbury Waterside Crematorium (for family & close friends only).

DEBIT & CREDIT CARD DONATIONS can now be accepted in St Laurence. See a Church Warden for help.

IN LOVING MEMORY SERVICE - Nov 3rd 3.00pm. Please can I once again call all bakers, and request donations of cakes. (Not too gooey, please!!) See Judy Robbins. Thanks!

QUIZ - We are looking for about 4 raffle prizes for this. I am sure some of you would be only too happy to help! Thank you. See Judy

CHRISTMAS FAIR 30 NOV - We need jam jars filled to a value of at least 50p as that is what we charge, with contents appropriate for children. Annette Hatton is in church on Sunday to give out empty jars to fill. Please either leave filled jars in the back of church or give to Annette Hatton or Ginnie Long. Thank you!

ROOF APPEAL - Apologies that this comes so soon after the Organ Appeal but this is essential and immediate. You are probably aware we have a leaking roof over the north aisle. We are applying for grants but need to raise £30,000 so any donations would be hugely appreciated! We now have a credit/debit card reader in Church so please ask a Church Warden, Terry or Brian if you wish to use this facility. Thank you

NICOLA'S CANCER CARE COFFEE MORNING from 10-12.30, Sat 26th October, 1 Elmside. Last year we raised £472.37 thanks to the support of friends in Winslow. Please do join if you're able, donation gratefully received if not. Thanks!

CURRY NIGHT AT BLUE MONSOON - On Thurs 7 Nov 7pm, cost £20 per person plus drinks. It's a set menu but Blue Monsoon give us back £10.00 per head towards Church funds. Please book with Jo 712650

QUIET DAY - Sat 9 Nov 10am-3.30pm St Laurence Room. Rev Daphne Preece will lead us in a day called 'DEEP CALLS TO DEEP: A QUIET DAY WITH THE PSALMS'. There will be some input, with space for your own reflections. Please bring a packed lunch, paper, pen and a Bible (if you have one). Tea and coffee is provided. Contact Jo 712650 to book a place or come on the day if you can't book ahead - Winslow Christians Together

BIG CHURCH CLEAN – Sat 16 Nov 9.00am, please come and help us if you can.

QUIZ – SAT 16TH NOV in Winslow Public Hall, 6.45pm for 7pm prompt start. Tickets are £10 & include a two-course meal. There's a bar and a raffle too! Tickets available in Church or from Judy - 715484.

READINGS: Sunday 10th October – 18th Sunday after Trinity

"These (the poor) are the true treasures of the church." - St Laurence

"True religion according to God is this: to look after the widows and orphans in their distress and to keep oneself unpolluted by the world." – St James

Deuteronomy 15:7-11

If there is among you anyone in need, a member of your community in any of your towns within the land that the LORD your God is giving you, do not be hard-hearted or tight-fisted towards your needy neighbour. You should rather open your hand, willingly lending enough to meet the need, whatever it may be. Be careful that you do not entertain a mean thought, thinking, 'The seventh year, the year of remission, is near', and therefore view your needy neighbour with hostility and give nothing; your neighbour might cry to the LORD against you, and you would incur guilt. Give liberally and be ungrudging when you do so, for on this account the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake. Since there will never cease to be some in need on the earth, I therefore command you, 'Open your hand to the poor and needy neighbour in your land.'

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-40

'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."