A Date for your Diaries The St Lawrence Friends' Heritage Trust Fundraising Concert: This will be held in the church on Saturday 27th April at 7.30pm. This is a return visit of the world renowned trumpeter: Crispian Steele-Perkins and his accompanist, the famous international organist, Ian le Grice. Tickets available from www.stlawrenceheritagetrust.org.uk/shop/ at £20 (centre) and £15 (sides).

Food Bank Donations Update—most needed items for February 2024: Children's toothbrushes, baby toiletries, adult toothbrushes, Roll On deodorant for males and females, laundry detergent, toilet cleaner liquid, fabric conditioner, anti-bacterial wipes. Tomato ketchup, mayonnaise, Chocolate spread, brown sauce, 500gr packet rice, instant mashed potato, long life sponge puddings, tinned custard and cooking oil.

Sunday Night 8 Week Lent Course for the Parish These will be held on 18, and 25 February, and 3, 10, 17 & 24 March. Please invite friends and neighbours to enjoy refreshments in the church hall from 7.00pm-7.45pm followed by a course video and discussion from 7.45pm-8.45pm. Please note that a meal will be served on 24th March on the 8th and final week of the course If you wish to register please sign the Prayer Course Sheets at the back of the church. https://prayercourse.org/home/

The SL Hospitality Team is offering Lent Lunches in the church hall from 12.30pm-1.30pm These will be held on the following Fridays: 8, 15 and 22 March. A mug of homemade soup, a roll and butter and pickle followed by fruit and teas and coffees will be served for just £5.00. All donations will go towards the Woking Sam Beare Hospice, Please invite friends and neighbours to attend.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES: 24 March Palm Sunday - Meet at 10.00 in the car park for Palm Crosses Procession 25 & 26 March 8pm: Compline in the Lady Chapel 27 March 12noon Spy Wednesday Holy Communion Service 28 March 8pm Maundy Thursday—Service of Foot-washing and Holy Communion and Stripping of the Altar Cloths 9pm-midnight The Watch 29 March Good Friday 12noon Service of Reflection and Music Tenebrae Service at 6pm (Light to Dark) with choirs and Chobham Hand Bell Ringers 30 March 7pm Easter Eve Lighting of the Paschal Candle and Renewal of Baptismal Vows Service 31 March Easter Day Services

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You are most welcome to join us for coffee in the church hall after the service.

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ST LAWRENCE CHOBHAM WITH ST SAVIOUR VALLEY END 18 FEBRUARY 2024

Here to Celebrate, Worship and Serve

Sunday 18 Feb First Sunday of Lent

| Reading: | Genesis 9.8-17 |
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| Psalm: | 25.1-9 |
| Epistle: | 1 Peter 3.18-end |
| Gospel: | Mark 1.9-15 |

The Psalm and Readings can be found on pages 178-179

| | 8.00am | Holy Communion Service at St Lawrence led by Revd Dan | | | |
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| | 9.00 am | Holy Communion Service at St Saviour led by Revd Dan | | | |
| | | Hymns: | 173 476 63 | Forty days and forty nights Oft in danger, oft in woe Be thou my guardian and my guide | |
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| | 10.15 am | Holy Communion Service at St Lawrence led by Revd Dan | | | |
| | | Hymns: | 205 333 373 19 | God is working his purpose out Jesu, over of my soul Lead us, heavenly father, (communion hymn) All my hope on God is founded | |
| Sun 18 Feb | | 7.00pm-7.45pm Refreshments served in the church hall; 7.45pm-8.45pm: Lent Course 3 | | | |
| Tue 20 Feb | | 5.30pm-6.20pm Children's choir rehearsal in the church hall 6.30pm-7.30pm St Lawrence choir rehearsal in the church hall | | | |
| Wed 21 Feb | | 12noon Mid-week Holy Communion Service | | | |
| Thu 22 Feb | | 9.30am-11.00am St Lawrence Toddlers in the church hall | | | |
| Fri 23 Feb | | 12noon Holy Communion Service (Ember Day) | | | |
| Sat 24 Feb | | 12noon Holy Communion Service (St Matthias; Ember Day) | | | |
| Sun 25 Feb | | 8.00am Holy Communion Service at St Lawrence led by Revd Dan 9.00am Service of Holy Communion at St Saviour led by Revd Dan 10.15am Service of Holy Communion at St Lawrence led by Revd Dan 7.00pm-7.45pm Refreshments served in the church hall; 7.45pm-8.45pm: Lent Course 4 | | | |



Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in

the wilderness,

and was tempted as we are, yet without sin; give us grace to discipline our selves in

obedience to your Spirit;

and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith,

increase our hope,

and strengthen our love;

Post Communion Prayer

teach us always to hunger for him who is the

true and living bread,

and enable us to live by every word

that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Seasonal Eucharistic Preface and Blessing from Ash Wednesday until the Saturday after the Fourth Sunday of Lent

Preface:

And now we give you thanks

because you give us the spirit of discipline,

that we may triumph over evil and grow in grace,

as we prepare to celebrate the paschal mystery

with mind and heart renewed.

Blessing:

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,

To deny yourselves,

Take up your cross,

And follow him;

and the blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

THIS WEEK WE ARE PRAYING FOR THE FOLLOWING MISSIONS AND MATTERS:

- In our Missionary Support: Overseas Mission: The Barnabas Fund (supporting persecuted Christians); The Bible Society for Mission.
- The Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan
- In our Guildford Diocese: Please pray for the Parish of St Anne's, Bagshot and its incumbent Andreas Sistig and Ellen Turtle. Please remember their Big Questions Lent Course; Pancake Party, their Miriam Grace Day Club supporting people to live independently in the community.

• For our Church:

- We pray that our numbers may grow at all our services and that the Lord will bless us as we minister in this parish.
- We pray that our faith and belief in the resurrection of Jesus Christ be strengthened and deepened through our understanding of the scriptures.

Children and Schools

- Please pray for the future of Mission in the parish, particularly with regard to children and young people.
- Please pray for the teachers, support staff, children, governors and parents at St Lawrence Primary School and Valley End School during this spring term. We pray for the preparations for the SIAMS inspection in the spring of 2024 at St Lawrence Primary School.
- Pray for our Vicar, Revd Dan and for our Assistant Priest, Revd Chris.
 Pray for The Children's Society, for their work supporting and campaigning for children and for Jenny our parish link. Please pray for the charities and missions we support—our Schools, Intermediate Technology and the Bible Society.
- Pray for those facing sickness, those who are housebound and those who are facing other needs: Mercedes, Christopher Delacombe, Ian Stewart, Caroline, Gloria, and Jessie Jones.
- We pray for the those recently bereaved and remember especially at this time the families and friends of the late: Eileen Cheeseman and all those known to us.
- Pray for our congregations that we may grow in daily prayer and knowledge of scripture.
 Pray for a Christian use of money, for generous giving and for care in making wills, for our church accountant, Elizabeth Sanders and all on the Finance Committee.
- The Year's Mind: We remember all those known to us whose anniversary occurs at this time.
- Residents of: Mount Road, Oakdene, Oakhurst, Old Chertsey Road, Old School House, Pennypot, Philpot Lane, Red lion Close, Red Lion Road, St Lawrence Court, Sandpit Hall Road, Sandy Lane, Scotts Grove Close, Scotts Grove Road, Sheldon Gate, Shrubbs Hill and Sparrow Row.