

STOP PRESS!!

Food Bank Donations update—most needed items for February 2023:

Chocolate Spread, Long Life Milk, Long-life Sponge Puddings, Marmite, Cooking Oil, Instant Mashed Potato, Tomato Ketchup, Brown Sauce and Fruit Juices, Clothes Washing Detergent, Shampoo and Conditioner, Shower Gel, Men's Razors, Ladies' Razors and Men's Deodorant.

The SUNDAY EVENING STUDY HOURS led by Revd Dan are now on pause to make way for the Lent House Groups to form over the six weeks of Lent.

THE ANNUAL CHURCH CLEAN AND POLISH

This will take place on Wednesday 22nd March from 0930-1200noon.

LENT HOUSE GROUPS SIGN UP SHEET AT BACK OF CHURCH TODAY

Please fill in the Lent House Groups sign up sheet if you are willing to be a host, or a leader and also indicate a maximum number of people you can accommodate in your home. Lent begins today, **Sunday 26th February**, and Revd Dan has suggested the book "The Purpose Driven Life: What on Earth am I here for?" by Pastor Rick Warren. The book is split up into six parts with seven chapters each. So much of it can be completed through Lent by reading a chapter a day. It is such an encouraging study for Lent as it includes topics such as our life's purpose for God, experiencing joy, holiness, church community, and coping with struggle. Revd Dan asks that you begin to pray about who you might meet up with over this period and how often groups meet. If you have experience leading house-groups, maybe offer to lead. If you enjoy hosting in your home, then perhaps offer to host. The purpose is that we profit from the book as a community but meet together as we are able.

Here is the book... <https://amzn.eu/d/hZjVfc>

LIONHEART CHRISTIAN FESTIVAL 14-16th JULY 2023

Location: Isle of Wight. For more details visit: <https://lionheartfestival.co.uk>

Generous Giving—Training Programme Spring Webinars 2023

Visit: [Generous Giving - Training Programme Spring 2023 \(google.com\)](https://www.givingwithpurpose.org.uk/training-programme-spring-2023)

Tuesday 28 February (3-4pm) - Securing more legacies

Tuesday 4 March (2-3pm) - Maximising planned giving

Tuesday 25 April (2-3pm) - Maximising contactless and online giving

You are most welcome to join us for coffee in the Church Hall after the 10.15am service today.

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ST LAWRENCE CHOBHAM WITH ST SAVIOUR VALLEY END

26 FEBRUARY 2023

Here to Celebrate, Worship and Serve

Sunday 26 Feb FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Reading: Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7

Psalm: 32

Epistle: Romans 5.12-19

Gospel: Matthew 4.1-11

The Psalm and Readings can be found on pages 41-43 of the hymn book.

8.00 am Holy Communion Service at St Lawrence led by Revd Dan

9.00 am Holy Communion Service at St Saviour led by Revd Dan

Hymns: 555 Praise to the Lord the Almighty

154 Fill thou my life (verses 1-4)

708 We sing the praise of him who died

10.15 am Holy Communion Service at St Lawrence led by Revd Dan

Hymns: 555 Praise to the Lord Almighty

173 Forty days and forty nights (omit vs 2 & 4)

56 Before the throne of God above

472 O for a closer walk with God

205 God is working his purpose out (omit vs 2)

Mon 27 Feb 12.00-3.00pm Chobham Warm Hub in the Church Hall

**Tue 28 Feb 11.00am Funeral Service for the late David John Percy
5.30pm-6.20pm Children's Choir Rehearsal in the Church Hall
6.30pm-7.30pm Church Choir Rehearsal in the Church Hall**

**Wed 1 Mar 12.00 Mid-week Holy Communion led by Revd Chris
12.00-3.00pm Chobham Warm Hub in the Church Hall**

Thu 2 Mar 09.30-11.00pm St Lawrence Toddlers in the Church Hall

**Fri 3 Mar 12.00-3.00pm Chobham Warm Hub in the Church Hall
3.30pm Evening Prayer in the Lady Chapel at St Lawrence led by Revd Dan**

**Sun 5 Mar 8.00am Holy Communion led by Revd Dan
9.00am Holy Communion at St Saviour led by Revd Dan
10.15am Holy Communion at St Lawrence led by Revd Dan**



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 ourselves 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.

Psalm 32

¹ Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.
² Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no
iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.
³ While I kept silence, my body wasted away
through my groaning all day long.
⁴ For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of
summer.
⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not hide my iniquity;
I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to
the LORD', and you forgave the guilt of my sin.
⁶ Therefore let all who are faithful
offer prayer to you;
at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters
shall not reach them.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God,
you show to those who are in error the light
of your truth,
that they may return to the way of righteousness;
grant to all those who are admitted
into the fellowship of Christ's religion,
that they may reject those things
that they are contrary to their profession,
and follow all such things as are agreeable to
the same;
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
In the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Psalm 32 continued

⁷ You are a hiding-place for me;
you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.
⁸ I will instruct you and teach you the way you should
go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.
⁹ Do not be like a horse or a mule, without
understanding,
whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle,
else it will not stay near you.
¹⁰ Many are the torments of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in
the LORD.
¹¹ Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous,
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

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:** The Episcopal Church of Scotland
- ◆ **In our Guildford Diocese:** Our "Introducing Jesus' Outreach Extended Weekend" taking place at the beginning of March in conjunction with a team from the London Cornhill Ministry Training Course. Please pray for real engagement from the church family and local community with all the various activities and events that will be on offer; that there will be people for us to follow up; and that in his kindness, God will bless all that has been planned that it will be effective, and bear lasting good fruit. Our thanks for the growing involvement of our Children & Youth Worker with our local school C of E School in the Parish of Frimley Green and Mytchett, St Andrew.
- ◆ **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 and Governors of both St Lawrence School and Valley End School.
- ◆ **Pray for our Vicar, Revd Dan and his family, and for our Assistant Priest, Revd Chris.** Pray for all who help others: the Samaritans, Mind, The Royal British Legion, and for the Charity UK. Pray for the bereaved and for all those who are lonely and isolated.
- ◆ **Pray for those facing sickness,** those who are housebound and those who are facing other needs: Rosemary Hargreaves, Flora Nayve, Ian Stewart, Caroline, Coral Curwen, Gloria, Millie, Jessie Jones and Mary Williams.
- ◆ **We pray for the those recently bereaved and remember especially at this time the families and friends of the late:** David John Percy, Jean Carter, Freddie Carilo Rebibis, Peter Davey, Doris Coates, Robert Mount, Elisabeth Roullier and John Maynard.
- ◆ **Pray for our congregations that we may grow in daily prayer and knowledge of scripture.** Pray for the work of the Chobham Poor Allotment and Smiths charity, for the homeless and those who are reliant on Foodbanks and for all who help them. We give thanks for the generosity and compassion of many volunteers.
- ◆ **The Year's Mind:** Carley Sheppard and for all those known to us whose anniversary occurs at this time.
- ◆ **Residents of:** Steep Hill, Stonehill, The Avenue, The Grange, Thompsons Lane, Turf House Lane, Valley End Road, Waterperry Lane, Windlesham Road, Windsor Road, Windsor Court Road, Woodcock Drive, Alpha Road, Bagshot Road, Barnmead, Beta Close, Beta Road, Bonseys Lane, Bowling Green Lane, Bracken Way, and Brick Hill.