

STOP PRESS!

Cash Offerings at extra Christmas Services and Events in December 2023:

1/12/23: Sale of Donuts by Revd Dan and family for 'Light Up Chobham':
£120.27

6/12/23: Coworth Flexlands School Carol service: £186.81

24/12/23: Crib Service 0-8 year olds at 3.30pm: £93.75

24/12/23: Crib Service 8+ year olds at 5pm: £326.93

24/12/23: Midnight Mass Service at 11.30pm: £290.27

A Note of Thanks to the Friends of St Lawrence Heritage Trust

We are deeply grateful for the kind generosity of the Heritage Trust in providing much needed funds for the repairs to the church gas boiler during the month of December and from which we are all benefitting. The Heritage Trust has also very kindly agreed to donate the funds needed to make the necessary repairs to the church's tower clock. We are still getting expert advice and estimates for repair and a decision on which course of action to take will be taken in due course.

A Date for your Diaries

The Friends of St Lawrence 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.
More details to follow.

Food Bank Donations Update—most needed items for January 2024:

500g Packet Rice; Baby milk type 2; mayonnaise, tinned custard; instant mashed potato; coffee; fruit squash; packets of biscuits; hot chocolate; brown sauce;
sanitary products; dog food; cooking oil; laundry detergent; baby wipes; shaving gel and foam; toilet cleaner liquid; washing up liquid; children's toothbrushes; fabric conditioner; and nappies size 5.

You are most welcome to join us for coffee and biscuits in the church hall after the 10.15am service this morning.

www.chobhamchurches.com



ST LAWRENCE CHOBHAM WITH

ST SAVIOUR VALLEY END

7 JANUARY 2024

Here to Celebrate, Worship and Serve

Sunday 7 Jan Baptism of Christ

Reading: Genesis 1.1-5

Psalm: 29

Epistle: Acts 19.1-7

Gospel: Mark 1.4-11

The Psalm and Readings can be found on pages 22-23.

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

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

Hymns: 35 Angels from the realms of glory
29 A man there lived in Galilee
410 Lord of all hopefulness

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

Hymns: 205 God is working his purpose out
513 On Jordan's bank
595 Spirit of the living God (Communion Hymn)
622 The church's one foundation

Tue 9 Jan 10.00-12.00noon Hearing Clinic in the church hall
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 10 Jan 12.00noon Mid-week Holy Communion Service led by Revd Dan

Thu 11 Jan 09.30am-11.00am St Lawrence Toddlers in the church hall

Sun 14 Jan 8.00am Holy Communion Service at St Lawrence
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 Chris

Thu 25 Jan 11.00am Funeral Service for t/l Eileen Cheeseman

Collect

Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit;
grant to us, who are born again by water
and the Spirit,
that we may be faithful to our calling as
your adopted children;
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.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all time and eternity,
you opened the heavens and revealed
yourself as Father
in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son;
by the power of your Spirit
complete the heavenly work of our rebirth
through the waters of the new creation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Seasonal Eucharistic Preface and Blessing from the Epiphany until the Eve of the Presentation:

Preface:

And now we give you thanks
because, in the incarnation of the Word,
A new light has dawned upon the world,
that all the nations may be brought
out of darkness
to see the radiance of your glory.

Blessing:

Christ the Son of God
Perfect in you the image of his glory
And gladden your hearts
With the good news of his kingdom;
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:** The Scottish Episcopal Church
- ◆ **In our Anglican Diocese:** Please pray for the Parish of Christ Church, Crookham and its incumbent Steve Franklin and for Haydon Wilcox (PTO). Also pray for the Crookham CofE Infant School and ask for a blessing on the Little Bells toddler group and continued engagement with the community and the Face to Faith that it will encourage discipleship.
- ◆ **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 as they start the new 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 our village and for the many who contribute to the richness of our life here: for the Museum, the weekly Country Market, the Carnival, the Festival, the Morris Dancers, all Sports clubs and the Handbell ringers.
- ◆ **Pray for those facing sickness,** those who are housebound and those who are facing other needs: Christopher Delacombe, Alan Wood, 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, Beverley Tucker, Dorothy Allen and Howard Davies.
- ◆ **Pray for our congregations that we may grow in daily prayer and knowledge of scripture.**
Pray for the St Lawrence Friends' Heritage Trust for their guidance and blessing and for their work raising funds for the maintenance of our two beautiful church buildings.
- ◆ **The Year's Mind:** We remember David Percy and Olga Paterson and all those known to us whose anniversary occurs at this time.
- ◆ **Residents of:** Burr Hill Road, Burrow Hill, Castle Grove Road, Cedar Gardens, Chertsey Road, Chobham Lakes, Chobham Park Lane, Clappers Lane, Clearmount, Delta Close, Delta Road, Elm Road, Ford Road, Gorse Lane, Gracious Pond Road, Garden Drive, Green Lane, Grosvenor Road, Guildford Road and Heather Way.