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**Parish Matters**

**Welcome…**

to our weekly edition of Parish Matters – we hope you enjoy catching up with news and prayers from the Parish

**Sunday 27th June 2021 The fourth Sunday after Trinity**

**This week’s Collect Prayer**

Gracious Father,

by the obedience of Jesus

you brought salvation to our wayward world:

draw us into harmony with your will,

that we may find all things restored in him,

our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen

**Prayers**

**Prayers & Readings**: Monthly prayers and the daily lectionary readings are available in Sunrise and they are available on the parish website.

**Prayer Cascade**. If you need prayer for any reason please contact [pray4potr@gmail.com](mailto:pray4potr@gmail.com). A prayer team will pray regularly for each request.

Please pray for each person by name.

**Those who are ill and require prayer:** Jane, Simon, Josh and Francesca (the family of Harry and Jean Arman) Gwen McGilvray, Gail Bicknell**,** Bethan, Sheena Herbert and family, Frances Nicholson (Pat Lerew’s sister), Margaret Newins, Rob Davy, Gwen Pettigrew, Carol Conway, Penny Carmichael & Barbara Turk.

**Other prayer requests**  for the Alpha Sessions and Bible course; for the rising cases of COVID; for the Deanery parish reorganisations; for those on the Deanery Synod from our parish – Elspeth Mackeggie Gurney, Matthew Bayliss, Tori Hewitt & Derek Gurney; for the Kings Arms and our partnership work with Alton College; for our Bishops in the Diocese – Tim, David & Debbie

If you or someone you know would like to be included here would you please let Andrew (01420 88794) or Philippa Penfold know ([potr.alton@btinternet.com](mailto:potr.alton@btinternet.com))

**Every Saturday at 10am a Prayer Meeting** is held on Zoom. Do come along.

**Meeting ID**: 886 7857 5981 **Passcode:** 014559

**Those who are bereaved – families and friends of** Karen Stenning, Leslie Goddard, Vera Knight, Sandra Bills, Rosemary Palmer, Douglas Mulcock, Joan Warner, Janet Caines, Muriel Wheeler, Sean Baddeley, Reginal Cuff, Timothy Yates, Denise Medden, Tony Grange-Bennett & Christine Durrant

**Proclaiming the Risen Jesus, Steadfast in faith, Active in Service**

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| **This week’s Online and extra Services**   * Morning Prayer on Facebook Live **Monday to Friday** at 9am (@potralton) * Sunday Worship service – on YouTube POTR Alton * Church@4 at Holy Rood Church, Holybourne at 4pm Sunday 27th June * Informal Evening Service Sunday 27th June 6pm on Zoom   **Meeting ID: 857 3988 3699 Passcode: 642862**   * Blaze Youth Group Sunday 7pm Social Evening with Martha * St Lawrence Teddies in St Lawrence Church on Monday at 9.30am * Blaze Youth Group Bible Study Tuesday 7pm on Zoom with Martha * Holybourne Teddies in Holybourne Church on Wednesday at 9.45am |

**In Church Services**

### **Update on the use of our church buildings** All four of our churches are open for public worship.  We will be adhering closely to the guidance published by The Church of England which will include sanitisation, 2 metre social distancing, wearing of face masks.

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| **27th June**  9.15am Holy Communion  St Peter’s | **4th July**  **Eco Church Outdoor Climate Service St Lawrence Church 10.30am** |
| 9.30am Morning Worship  Holy Rood |
| 10.30am Morning Worship  St Lawrence |
| 10.30am Holy Communion  All Saints |

Please see our website www.potr-alton.co.uk for a full list of services for this month.

There will also be a Holy Communion every **Tuesday at 7pm in St Lawrence** Church and every **Wednesday at 9.30am in All Saints Church**.

If you would like to attend **any** of these services **you will need to book a place** for you, and any family members who live with you who wish to attend. Please contact the churchwarden/representative below.

**St Peter’s** – Sarah Neish ([sarah.neish@btconnect.com](mailto:sarah.neish@btconnect.com))

**St Lawrence** – Tim Duddridge ([tduddridge@gmail.com](mailto:tduddridge@gmail.com))

**All Saints** – Angie Briggs ([mjbriggsesq@aol.com](mailto:mjbriggsesq@aol.com))

**Holy Rood** – Keith Arrowsmith-Oliver ([keithnorman@btinternet.com](file:///C:\Users\Family\Dropbox\Parish%20Administrator%20folder\Parish%20Matters\Parish%20Matters%202021\keithnorman@btinternet.com)) or Gordon/Ruth

**News and notices**

**World Day of Prayer 2nd July 2pm at the Methodist Church**. The service this year has been written by the women of Vanuatu and the theme is 'Build on a Strong Foundation'. We will be doing track and trace and following Covid regulations.

**Alton Walking Church for Men Friday 2nd July** We are meeting at 6pm at the Greyfriar’s Pub in Chawton for a 90 ish minute stroll with time to pause and reflect. We will have a drink in the pub at the end. Do come along! Please email [familykemp@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:familykemp@tiscali.co.uk) to book in.

**Climate Sunday Service Sunday 4th July at St Lawrence 10.30am** led by the POTR Eco Church team. The service will be held **outdoors** so numbers are not restricted. Please bring a chair or rug to sit on (extra chairs will be available if you cannot bring one) & dress for the weather. The service will last no more than an hour & is suitable for all ages. Ice cream will be available after the service. We look forward to seeing you there! Please note there will be no other services in the parish that day.

**Meet and Eat – women’s group for fun and fellowship**. We will be meeting in person on **Monday 5th July at 6pm Old Park Farm GU34 4AP**. Please bring your own picnic, Sarah has kindly offered to provide hot and cold drinks. If you would like to come or for further information please email me Lyn Baines  [meetandeat@btinternet.com](mailto:meetandeat@btinternet.com)

**Eco Fair Sunday 11th July** Our Eco Church Team has a stall at the Eco Fair on Sunday 11th June being held in the Public Gardens from 10am to 4pm. There will be live music, stalls, art displays and much more.

We are looking for volunteers to help look after our stall; if you are able to offer an hour please contact Elspeth on 01420 86339 or 07545 310911 or email [elspethmary59@gmail.com](mailto:elspethmary59@gmail.com).

**Hard of Hearing Group**  to enable this group to restart in the autumn we are looking for people, from near or far, to help with our monthly meetings. If you feel that you can offer some assistance, no matter how small, please contact Kate Dando, 83514  or [kaddando@gmail.com](mailto:kaddando@gmail.com)   Many thanks

**Eco Church Bronze Award** The Parish of the Resurrection has been awarded the Eco Church bronze award – brilliant work from our Eco Church Team who have worked so hard to accomplish this. They are now busy working to hit the targets for the silver award. Let’s help them do it! See our website for more information about our Eco Church team and the work they do.

Please see our Parish website [www.potr-alton.co.uk](http://www.potr-alton.co.uk) for more information.

**The Ministry Team**

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**The Parish office is open on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays between 9am-11am. Please wear facemasks and observe social distancing when visiting.**

We are delighted that Wendy Burnhams pictured here will be ordained on Sunday 4th July in Winchester Cathedral. Numbers to attend are limited to family and a member of the parish clergy. Please pray for Wendy as she goes on retreat and then is ordained. And we are really looking forward to having here in the team!

To watch the service livestreamed at 10am go to

**Website**  <https://www.winchester-cathedral.org.uk/service-live-stream/>

**Youtube**  <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMS0LHXJdnARIvETt6bZFCA>

**Facebook**  <http://www.facebook.com/winchestercathedral>

This week in our parish

