The Parish Church of St Barnabas, Swanmore



St Barnabas, Swanmore – Making Christ known in our community through care for all, welcoming hospitality and worship for all ages

Welcome to St Barnabas

If you would like more information about our church please speak to one of the many people helping out. Information can also be found on our website: <u>www.stbarnabas.org.uk</u> **Please do join us for tea or coffee after the service**

Gluten free wafers are available. Please speak to the sides people if you would like one

Sunday	14 th	April	2024
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Third Sunday of Easter

Today		
8.00 NO Holy Communion	Barnaby's opening hours this week:	
10.00 Holy Communion	Tue Wed: 2pm – 4.30pm	
Hymns 103a, 14, 235 and 15	Thu Fri: 9am –12 & 2pm – 4.30pm Sat: 10am – 1pm	
Monday 15 th	Thursday 18 th	
9.30 Cygnets	9.30 Morning Prayer on Zoom	
Tuesday 16th 9.30 Morning Prayer on Zoom	Saturday 20th 10.30 Company and Chat	
Wednesday 17 th 14.30 Celebration of life of Phil Gomer	Sunday 21 st 8.00 Holy Communion 10.00 3 rd @10 Café Church	

Collect

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

FIRST READING Acts 3.12–19

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God** **SECOND READING**

A reading from the first Letter of John

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL READING Luke 24.36b–48

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke **Glory to you, O Lord**

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

This the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ**

Post Communion Prayer

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen**



Readings for next week: Acts 4.5–12, 1 John 3.16–end and John 10.11–18

Communion arrangements: you are invited to come up to receive bread and wine starting with the back rows and working towards the front rows. This means the front row people will be the last to receive. At the altar, please queue to the left if you would like to drink wine from the common cup, and queue to the right if you would prefer to receive bread dipped in the wine (intincted). A friendly reminder that the bread may only be intincted by the president and not by individual communicants. **The APCM** is taking place on 24th April at 7:30 pm in The Paterson Centre. Nomination forms can be found at the back of the church in the red folder. Also included in the folder is a PCC member role description sheet, and a sheet to take away regarding safeguarding obligations and training requirements for PCC members. Please leave any completed forms at the back of the red folder.

Sacristan duties I shall be away for three consecutive weeks in July/August, and therefore unable to do my duties as sacristan. I would be most grateful if someone could step in for me during that time. It will take 3/4-1 hour each week in church, and a little home laundering, and I will happily provide a guide as to what is required! Please contact me on 07717 790053 if you are able to help. Thank you! Vicky Cronin

Red Hot Chilli Peppers - I have a small number of chilli plants of varying degrees of red-hot that I was growing to sell at Open Gardens. Now that the April event has been cancelled, I need to get rid of them so let me know if you fancy growing your own curry ingredients or they will make ornamental plants. John Sharpe

Swanmore Wind Band - Tickets (£7.50 under 15s free) are now available from me or Sarah Woodman for their concert in the Church on Saturday 18th May. John Sharpe

Christian Aid Challenge 2024 - 70k in May! Most will remember the Christian Aid Walk many used to do. This year we have been given a new challenge! You seek sponsorship to complete 70K in May (split over the entire month) either by yourself, between a couple or between a group. You can walk, run, cycle or even swim if you have the inclination! Maybe a mix of all? Why not combine with a visit to other churches? It's your choice. (A CA rep from Chandlers Ford is planning to cycle out to Barnaby's during the week as part of his challenge) Sponsorship forms and details can be sent to you -Please let me have your email address wendyupthehill9@gmail.com 07821236480 Wendy CA Rep **Meon Valley Food Bank Food Donations** Thank you for your continued support. We will be open next Monday between 10 and 12 to receive food donations. The items we require for the coming week are: tinned meat balls, tinned pulses, tinned vegetables, tinned rice pudding, UHT oat milk, sweet biscuits, snack bars, ketchup and Rice Krispies. Thank you, The Meon Valley Food Bank Team.

Award! At the Swanmore Parish Council AGM, there is somebody from the church community who is to receive a Community Award this year. We know they will appreciate your attendance (though they don't know who they are . . .) The meeting is on 16th April at 7.00pm. It is a public meeting so feel free to tell anybody else who might like to come.

Royal British Legion jigsaw puzzle sale Saturday 27th April 2024 from 10.30-12 noon in the Paterson Centre. If you have any puzzles to donate please make sure that they are complete and then seal the box.

St George Foundation is one of St Barnabas charities for 2024. The charity raises funds and supports their sister charity in Sierra Leone, rescuing street children. So, Philip Dean and Richard Green-Wilkinson have been given the opportunity to talk about the wonderful work that Justina and her staff carry out in Freetown, as part of the **10am Service on Sunday 28th April** (the Sunday after St George's Day). This year is the 20th Anniversary since the charity's work started, and this is being celebrated both here at The Garden Party on Saturday 22nd June, and in Sierra Leone on 15th May (Philip attending).

Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) The PGS is the smart and efficient way to support your church financially. Most regular members of the congregation are now members and since we joined in 2016 we have received £250,000 via PGS. If you are not a member, please consider joining. Look online for <u>https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors</u> or take one of the leaflets by the card machine or speak to Andrew.

Ascension Day Choir This year the Deanery Ascension Day service will be at Hambledon on Thursday 9th May at 7.30 pm. This is always a lovely service with a choir made up of singers from across the Deanery

and led by David Burgess. This year the choir will be singing parts of Vivaldi's Gloria at different points in the service. There will be a practice on 3rd May at 7pm at Wickham Church and one at 6.15 pm before the service at Hambledon. If you would like to join the choir please contact Andrew.

Online Shopping. Many retailers will make a contribution to the church when you do your online shopping through a website called Easy Fundraising. Over the last few years church members have raised over £2000 in donations for St Barnabas. To use it, please follow this link https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stbarnabasswanmore/ then complete the registration process with your name and email address. If using a mobile 'phone you can download the app. When you shop online, log into the easy fundraising website or app and it will take you to whichever online retailer you want and show you what donation will be made.

Phillip Gomer, who was born and spent most of his life in Swanmore, died within a few yards of his birth home in Spring Lane, on March 28th, aged 92. A well -known figure around the village, he tended the village War Memorial for many years (on which his dad's name is recorded) and was a kind and friendly man, always ready for a chat. We will be remembering Phil and his long life in a Memorial Service in St Barnabas at 2.30pm on Wednesday 17th April followed by tea and cake afterwards in the Paterson Centre. Molly and the family extend a welcome to all who would like to pay their respects and bid farewell to this 'Swanmore lad.'

Funeral of Brenda Smith Brenda grew up in Swanmore. Her funeral is Friday 26th April at 11.00am, followed by West Hoe, then reception in the Paterson Centre.

The Funeral of John White will take place on Saturday 4th May at Chesil House Winchester SO23 0HU Arrival from 10am, Service -(celebration of life) at 10.30am (Wake) refreshments also at Chesil House afterwards until 14.00 All are very welcome to attend.

For Our Daily Prayers

All those who live in **New Road.**

Please remember in your prayers: Sammy, Christopher, Lara, Linda, Christie, Danny, Thomas and his parents Lucy and Tony.

Please pray for all who are sick or suffering; for those awaiting the results of tests, lonely or isolated, in hospital or hospice.

All those who have been recently bereaved, especially the family & friends of John White, Brenda Smith and Phil Gomer.

Please send all items for Sun 21st April pew leaflet by morning of Wed 18th April to <u>office@stbarnabas.org.uk</u>