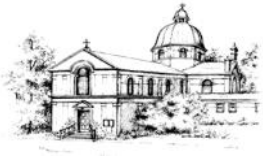
# Saint Laurence Parish - Petersfield

Buriton, Sheet, Steep, Liss, Rake, Hawkley, Empshott Green, Froxfield, Monkwood, Privett, West Meon, East Meon, Langrish, Ramsdean, Stroud, Warnford, Colemore, Langley.



St Laurence Church,
12 Station Rd Petersfield GU32 3ED

St Agnes Church, Plantation Road
Hillbrow, Liss GU33 7QB



**All Saints - 1st November 2026**

**The Christmas Fair** will be in St Laurence Hall on Saturday 28th November 10am-1pm in aid of the Church Renovation Appeal.

For success, we need your help. Please think about donating unwanted gifts in your cupboards for the Tombola and bottles for the bottle stall. We also need help with the main raffle, so if you have a bottle or two of spirits that always goes down a treat! Nearer the time we will need homemade cakes. We have recently been given a fabulous donation of Limoges hand painted miniature boxes which will make wonderful Christmas presents.

Unfortunately, items such as handbags, costume jewellery or bic-a-brac don't sell at this type of event and have to be donated to charity.

There will be a box at each church for donations. Many thanks in advance.

Contact Margaret 01730 893170
Or *margtithe@aol.com*

**Bamenda** - By mistake I announced the collection last Sunday. Any monies above the average of the Covenant with the Poor will be added to today's collection. *FrPH*

Our Diocese is twinned with Bamenda in Cameroon. "Your generosity has made a huge impact on the lives of many of the poorest and most vulnerable people in Bamenda, and it most sincerely appreciated by them…. We continue Archbishop's Education Fund and … three communities in more remote rural parts of the Archdiocese to complete the construction of churches in Bamali, Wum and Njikwa."

**Articles for the Dome** It's time to think about the Christmas Edition of the magazine. Last date for articles is Sunday 22nd November. Please don't leave until the last minute. Send articles to *PetersfieldDome@yahoo.com*

*Christine Traynier*

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Retiring collection - **Bamenda** - can be gift aided

St Laurence Parish website: www.petersfieldparish.org.uk
Bordon/Petersfield Pastoral Area - Diocese of Portsmouth (www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)
Petersfield Area Churches Together website: www.pact.org.uk

## Parish Events - November 2026

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| Wed 4th | 1:30-3:30 pm | Knitting Group in the hall |
| Fri 6th | After mass | Coffee in the hall |
| Sun 8th | 7:00 pm | Justice and Peace Group meet in the hall |
| Tue 10th | 2:00 pm | Welcome Café in the hall - Sue Tunstall: Cook Islands |
| Thu 12th | | Meeting of Minsters and Christian Leaders - here |
| Tue 17th | 7:00 pm | Parish Pastoral Council meeting |
| Wed 25th | 7:30 pm | PACT committee meeting - we have 2 reps |
| Sat 28th | 10:00 am | Christmas Fair in the hall |

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| Dec 5th | 2:00 pm | Prayer for the Sick with Anointing in St Laurence |
| Dec 12th | 10:00 am | Advent Penitential Service in St Laurence |
| Dec 17th | 7:00 pm | Carols in the Square |

**CAFOD** have written to thank parishioners for £3373.82 in support of their projects. Poster at St Laurence.

**Welcome Café -** 1:30 pm in the Hall
10/11 Sue Tunstall: Cook Islands
8/12 Christmas Party with Carols
13/1 Harps again with Julia

**Liss Foodbank** items: 2 pint long-life milk. Tins of chopped tomatoes - meat - pulses - vegetables - fish - baked beans - macaroni cheese. Sm packs of rice. Breakfast cereal. Drop off at The Triangle or in St Mary's Church porch.

Finance

Thank you for your generosity towards the work of the Church in this area.

The Parish Account is "CDP Petersfield, St Laurence"
SortCode 30-93-04 A/c 00883779

DONA DONATION ONLINE

Donations can also be made through the parish website or QR code at the church desk.

Parish Collection £325.63 + (£2,000 average monthly standing orders).

Second Collection - Covenant with the Poor/Bamenda £165.35

Second Collection next Sunday is for Covenant with the Poor

*Any travel and other expenses incurred whilst serving the Parish may be reimbursed. Please inform the Parish office beforehand.*

**Fame The Musical** at the Festival Hall 8th-11th February 2027. One of our younger parishioners has a staring role. Tickets will go on sale soon and will sell quickly. Younger parishioners and their parents are particularly welcome. Please contact Bernard Elkington as soon as possible if you want to attend.

**APF Mission Today** – Autumn 2026 At the church desk are copies of this Missio magazine - please take one.

**Petersfield Foodbank** The items which are currently low are: Long life milk. Tinned meat. Squash. Washing up liquid. Washing powder/liquid. Bags for life. We are supporting the Salvation Army again for the Christmas hampers, so we are also asking for: Nice jam. Nice tinned ham. Small panettones. Matchmakers. Chocolate orange. Details: *pactfoodbank.org.uk*

**PACT Christmas Day Lunch** - if you or someone you know will be spending Christmas day alone we warmly welcome all to join our lunch celebrations from 12:30-3:00 pm at Petersfield Community Centre, Love Lane. Contact us by 11th December email christmaslunch.pact@gmail.com call Caz 07568 451989 or Winton House, 18 High St to collect a form. Please note: transport to-and-from the lunch can be provided if required. St Laurence's parish has been asked to provide 50 tea towels AND donations to the much appreciated Goodie Bags . Please leave for Bernard in the Church or the office.

**St Agnes urgently needs** additional volunteers to join the Sideperson/ Greeters rota for 0900 Sunday Mass. The duty is not onerous but is important and if two or more volunteers come forward will only be every 6 weeks or so. It entails opening the Church, giving out the newsletter/ hymn books etc and welcoming newcomers. Please consider joining the rota and contact Terry O'Connor 07879 422338 or at St Agnes. Additional Readers are also needed.

**Petersfield Climate Action Network** PECAN - are hosting "The Future of Our Water" event on water resilience in Petersfield area. Speakers from Southern Water and Western Sussex Rivers Trust, information from other local river and wildlife charities and community groups. We hope to inspire you to take action in your own home and garden to safeguared our water supply. On Thurs 19th Nov Assembly Hall at The Petersfield Sch 6:15 for 7:00 pm.

Book free ticket: https://petersfieldcan .org/ events/2026/11/the-future-of-our-water

If you would like to know more about your local Climate Action Network, why not sign up for their newsletter by emailing pecan.email@gmail.com Their October issue deals with the Future of Our Water, free advice on keeping your house warm this winter, the Repair Café and much more.

**St Laurence's Brass cleaning team** are looking for more volunteers to help them. If you are interested in helping please contact the parish office.

**MASS TIMES** feasts/*intentions* 1st - 8th November 2026

Morning Prayer Mon-Sat on Zoom 8:15 am Access Meeting ID: 826 0546 5504 Passcode: 557733

StL: St Laurence, Station Rd, Petersfield **StA**: St Agnes, Plantation Rd, Liss

1st November All Saints

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| Sun | 9:00 am | **StA** | *Private Intention (Steven)* | Rev 7:2-4,9-14 |
| | 10:45 am | StL | | 1Jn 3:1-3 |
| | 6:00 pm | StL | *For the Parish* | Mt 5:1-12 |

**PSALM** Such are the people who seek your face, O Lord

**ACCLAMATION** Alleluia, alleluia. Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, says the Lord, and I will give you rest. Alleluia

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| Tues | 11:30am | **StA** | Saint Martin de Porres<br>*John Sheppard RIP & Catherine Sheppard RIP FM* |
| Wed | 11:30 am | StL | Saint Charles Borromeo |
| Fri | 11:30 am | StL | |
| Sat | 10:00 am | StL | |

8th November (Remembrance Sunday) 32nd Sunday of Year A

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| Sun | 9:00 am | **StA** | *Private Intention (Steven)* | Wis 6:12-16 |
| | 10:45 am | StL | *For the Parish* | 1Thess 4:13-18 |
| | 6:00 pm | StL | | Mt 25:1-13 |

*The Angelus is said in St Laurence after weekday masses.*

Please remember in your prayer **Canon David Mahy,** a retired priest of the Diocese, who has died.

**Annual Mass for Deceased Clergy** will take place on Thursday 5th November 12:15 pm in Portsmouth Cathedral.

**Psalter week 3**

**Penance/Confession** usually Saturdays 9:45 am before mass. St Agnes before mass; you can ask anytime.

**Your Prayers** are requested for all those in our community who are sick.

**Please Pray** for all the faithful departed and those whose anniversary occurs at this time

**Parish Office** is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings.