



**St John  
the Evangelist**  
NEW HINKSEY



**St Laurence**  
SOUTH HINKSEY

## **Septuagesima 16 February 2025**

*Welcome to Church! Our readings can be found over the page.  
Our liturgy can be followed through the orders of service.*

*Please join us for a warm drink and a chat after the Eucharist!*

### **HYMNS:**

Opening: 476

Gradual: 464

Offertory: 273

Communion: 387

Recessional: 433

*Today Fr Thomas Fink-Jensen is the Celebrant, Fr Richard Smail  
deacons and preaches, and Mr Richard Doney subdeacons.*

*Are you new? Welcome! Do please introduce yourself after the service  
and/or fill in one of our contact cards and we will get in touch with you.*

# **The Parish of South with New Hinksey**

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## COLLECT

O Lord, we beseech thee favourably to hear the prayers of thy people; that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness, for the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

## EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

*A reading from the first epistle of St Paul to the Corinthians.*

Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable.

So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. But I discipline my body and

keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

*This is the Word of the Lord.*  
**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1-16

*The Lord be with you.*  
**And with thy spirit.**

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.*

**Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said: "For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market-place, and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' So they went.

Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.'

And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the labourers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius.

Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did

you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?'

So the last will be first, and the first last."

*This is the gospel of the Lord*  
**Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

#### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Merciful Father, who didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life, that those who come to him should never hunger: draw us to him in faith and love, that we may eat and drink with him at his table in the kingdom, where he liveth and reigneth, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

## NOTICES

Today we pray for, and read the **banns** of marriage of Stephen and Chlöe to be married at St Ebbe's Church on April 5th.

Monday mornings at St John's: 8.30 Morning Prayer, 9-10.30 cleaning, 10.30 Mass, 11am cake.

The **Book Club** meets this Wednesday 7.30pm at the Vicarage. We will be finishing *Jonah*, and starting on the *School for Prayer* by Anthony Bloom.

The next St Laurence cleaning takes place on Saturday 1 March: 10am morning prayer, 10.30am cleaning, 11.30am coffee&cookies.

On Sunday 2 March following St John's High Mass we will have a new **cake stall!** Home-made cakes and bakes will be on sale, proceeds to go to church, and offers to bake to Lavinia please.

The PCC was recently successful in acquiring a grant of £717.44 to be used by our much loved **Messy Church**. This is an initiative that we organise every 6-8 weeks at St John's, and we welcome families from within and outside our usual Sunday congregations. Due to growing numbers of children attending, we can do with extra helpers/leaders. Might that be you? Next session on: Saturday 5 April 11am-1pm at St John's.

## LENT APPROACHING

Lent starts on March 5th with **Ash Wednesday**. Services & ashing that day include 10am at St Laurence, and 7pm at St John's. Do bring your **palm crosses** to church to be made to ash before then.

On Shrove Tuesday, March 4th, Fr Thomas will be hearing **confessions** at St John's from 9-10am and from 7.30pm, and priests are always happy to arrange for a different time when desired.

Lavinia will be hosting and leading four fantastic **Lenten sessions** on Fridays 7.30pm in March on the playscripts by Dorothy Sayers from her radio drama 'The Man Born to be King' broadcast on the BBC Home Service in 1943 which tell the story of Christ's life in modern English. Accessible to all.

## NEXT SERVICES AT ST JOHN'S

- Monday-Saturday 8.30am Morning Prayer
- Monday 10.30am Mass
- Wednesday 7pm Mass
- Sunday 10.45am High Mass

## NEXT SERVICES AT ST LAURENCE

- Sunday 23/2 - *Sexagesima* - 9.15am BCP Morning Prayer
- Sat 1/3 - 10am Morning Prayer
- Sunday 2/3 - *Quinquagesima* - 9.15am Holy Communion&hymns