

Dear All

Thank you

Firstly we want to give a huge thanks to all our volunteers who help at St Laurence's and the Wellness hub, in particular all those who have been helping during the building work and all the disruptions.

It's been a challenging time and we couldn't have continued to offer all our programmes and services without such a brilliant and dedicated volunteer team.

Thank you for all that you do to support and serve the local community, the most vulnerable, St Laurence's church, the Wellbeing Hub and each other.



Rotas

Another thank you for embracing the new online rota system. If anyone is still having issues with the online rota please pop into the office to see Sally (usual working days Tuesday-Friday) or email [Parish Office](#).

Rotas are now up for all services, Taste Café and Open Table until July.

If you are able to volunteer regularly, please consider signing up until the Summer where able. This greatly reduces workload and stress for admin and leads.

We understand not everyone can volunteer regularly due to other commitments. If you can only volunteer ad hoc this is still much needed for filling those last minute gaps. Please keep checking regularly and sign up on the app.



New Kitchen

The building project is on track to be finished by the end of March. Please watch this space for further details of the new kitchen and Taste Café returning to the main church!

During our Easter morning 11.00am service Bishop Joe Kennedy, Bishop of Burnley will be blessing the new kitchen, and we will celebrate after the service with nibbles and fizz. Please join us if you can.



Volunteers Needed

As we look towards the kitchen reopening we are aware of the ongoing need for more volunteers. We are working towards recruiting more volunteers through our social media, links with organisations who support new volunteers and other channels.

The best recruitment though is word of mouth!

If you know anyone who has volunteered in the past and would like to come back, or who might be interested in starting volunteering, please do spread the word.

The website has a list of all the volunteer roles and how to sign up [here](#).

Or contact [volunteer coordinator](#) for more information.



Training

Food Safety Training

For those who prepare cakes and soup or serve in Taste Café it's important to keep your food hygiene in date- this must be repeated every 2 years.

The next **food safety training is Monday 16th February at 7pm till 8.30pm.**

Or anyone who volunteers in another area but would be interested in also baking cakes, making soup or helping in Taste is also welcome to attend.

Please email [Taste](#) if you would like to join this course.

Safeguarding- Face to Face

On Monday 11th May there will be face to face safeguarding training covering Basic, foundation and Domestic Abuse.

Safeguarding training must be renewed every 3 years, please note the date if your training is due soon.

Further details to follow. Please let [Parish Office](#) know if you would like to attend any of these courses.



Volunteer Drop in

You all do an excellent job but it's important to look after yourself as well.

Volunteer Drop In, every Tuesday 11-12 in the main office. An open door for any queries, support, prayer or prayer requests or just a brew and a chat.

If this time doesn't work for you please email [Rachel](#) who will arrange a suitable time to catch up.



**VOLUNTEER
'OPEN DOOR'**

An 'Open Door' for any volunteers at
St Laurence's Church.
Open for queries, support, prayer or prayer
requests, a brew and chat!
Parish Office space
11am-12pm each Tuesday

ST LAURENCE'S CHURCH
St Laurence's Church, Union Street, Chorley, PR7 1EB

Gift shop
St Laurence's
MIND
Chorley Council
CAP

Volunteers Together Worship

Please join us at any of our volunteer services:

ST LAURENCE'S CHURCH, CHORLEY

Volunteers Together: Worship

All volunteers are invited to share in worship and praise together at a range of services over the year



Tuesday 17th Feb 12.15pm St Laurence's Church
Sunday 8th March 9am Buckshaw Primary School, Astley Village
Thursday 16th April 12.15pm St Laurence's Church
Sunday 24th May 11am St Laurence's Church
Monday 15th June 6.15pm St Laurence's Church
Saturday 11th July 5pm St Laurence's Church
Followed by summer refreshments 

ALL VOLUNTEERS ARE WELCOME!
GIFT SHOP | TASTE CAFE |
SERVICES | BELL RINGERS |
BAKERS | SOUP MAKERS | CAP
| MUSIC TEAM | FLOWER
ARRANGERS | PCC MEMBERS,
AND MANY MORE....