

THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

St Lawrence the Martyr, Abbots Langley
with the Church of the Ascension, Bedmond

30th June 2019

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



TODAY

8.00 am Holy Communion in St Lawrence
President & Preacher: The Revd Peter Waddell
Reader: Hilary Samson-Barry

9.30 am Parish Communion with Seekers and Creche in St Lawrence
President & Preacher; The Revd Peter Waddell
Hymns: 9 - 219 - 235 - 464 - 39 - 532
Readers: Lesley Cummings & Peter Jowsey
Intercessor: Kathy Bunting

11.15 am Holy Communion
in the Tin Church
President & Preacher: The Revd Peter Waddell
Hymns: 9 - 219 - 235 - 532
Reader: Martin Tanner

12.45 pm Christening for Rachael Heard

6.30 pm Taize Service in St Lawrence
Leader: The Revd Peter Waddell

7.30 pm Pilgrim Course in the Tin Church:
The Creeds

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Holy Communion said in St Lawrence

12.00 noon Wednesday

Morning Prayer said in St Lawrence

9.30 am Monday to Friday

Evening Prayer said in St Lawrence

5.15 pm Monday to Friday

Quiet Reflection in St Lawrence

11.15 am Wednesday

Early Prayer in St Lawrence

8.15 am Thursday

WELCOME

Welcome to everyone at our worship today especially to visitors and newcomers - please introduce yourself if you are new or a visitor.

If you usually receive **Communion** in your own church, please do so here. If not, you are welcome to come to the altar rail for a **Blessing**, and if you carry a book with you the priest will know not to offer you the bread and wine.



Please tell a sidesperson before the service if you would like a **gluten-free wafer**.

A **T-loop** is provided for hearing-aid users.



For our younger members

in St Lawrence:

Seekers (aged 3-10) start in church;

Creche in Breakspear Room;
Quiet Corner in church



Please join us for **coffee, tea or juice and biscuits** in the church hall after the 9.30 am service.



*A **collection** is taken at each main service. If you are a UK tax payer, please complete a gift aid envelope.*

This money is fundamental to the life of the church: its ministry, mission and charitable giving.

As we receive no income from the Government or any other external body, we are reliant on the generosity of the community and our fundraising endeavours to ensure that the important work of the parish continues.

Many regular members of the congregation give by direct debit and so put nothing in the bag as it passes by.

*If you would like to set up a regular direct debit, please ask for a **Parish Giving Scheme** pack.*

THE PRAYERS AND BIBLE READINGS

Bibles are available in the book rack by the door where you entered.

COLLECT: Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

FIRST READING

Isaiah 58.9b-12

Bible page 699

This is part of a passage in which God warns Israel against a faith that is composed merely of the outward signs of religion without a living core. A true faith, one that is alive to God, will show itself in action: in the offering of food to the hungry and in helping those in need. God does not want empty gestures: love for him must overflow into love for his people.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 2.11-end

Bible page 190

Paul here deals with a favourite theme of his; how the Jewish law failed to reconcile us to God and, in fact, only revealed the extent to which humanity sins, and kept Gentiles outside the covenant all together. Christ came to bring the law into the service of the relationship of humanity with God, so that all people could know him and love him and experience his wonderful love and forgiveness.

GOSPEL

Luke 4.14-21

Bible page 58

As in the Nehemiah passage, we have someone reading publicly from the Old Testament. This time, however, the reader is not merely a priest; by his declaration in verse 21 Jesus, our great High Priest, claims to be a prophet, the bearer of the Holy Spirit, and the Messiah who will release the captives.

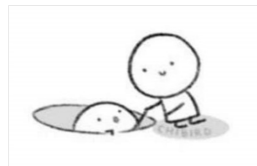
POST COMMUNION PRAYER: Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANTHEM at 9.30 am -

'The Church Triumphant'
music by Richard Shephard;
words by Charles Wesley

The Church triumphant in thy love
Their mighty joys we know
They sing the Lamb in hymns above
And we in hymns below.
Thee in thy glorious realm they praise
And bow before thy throne
We in the kingdom of thy grace
The kingdoms are but one.

Helping one person
might not change the whole world,



but it could change the world
for one person.

FOR OUR PRAYERS

GIVE THANKS FOR

- » those who down the years have cared for this church building
- » those who are committed to living a new life in Christ

PRAY FOR

- » courage and self discipline to live the life of the Spirit
- » a good response to our Stonework Appeal
- » Vanessa Kerswill who was ordained as a priest yesterday and for Kate Carter to be ordained as a deacon today; also for Isaac and Frank who were ordained as priests in Malawi yesterday
- » Rachael Heard to be christened in St Lawrence today
- » those who live in Jacketts Field, Katherine Place, Keble Terrace
- » those who worship at St Lawrence

THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

- » Sue Hall : Stan Johnson : Ben : Paul Maxted

RIP

- » Patricia Sanders (Joan Sanders' sister) : Brian Stratton (Emma's father in law) : Tom Howie

NEXT SUNDAY

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 7th July 2019

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President & Preacher: The Revd Peter Waddell

11.15 am Holy Communion in the Tin Church
President & Preacher: The Revd Peter Waddell

12.30 pm Sunday Lunch Club in the church hall

12.45 pm Christening for Elsie Impey in St Lawrence

6.30 pm Evening Prayer in St Lawrence
Leader: Sally Sanderson

6.30 pm Youth Group meets in the Breakspear Room

7.30 pm Pilgrim Course on The Creeds in the Tin Church

THE COMING WEEK

Monday 1st July

- 2.15 pm Tiny Tots in the Breakspear Room
- 7.30 pm Ringers practice in St Lawrence tower

Tuesday 2nd

- 10.15 am Tuesday Coffee in the Breakspear Room
- 12.30 pm Light Lunch followed by Pilgrim course on 'The Creeds' in the Breakspear Room
- 7.00 pm Youth Club meets in the church hall

Wednesday 3rd

- 10.00 am Coffee Morning in the Tin Church
- 11.15 am Quiet Reflection in the Corpus Christi Chapel
- 12.00 noon Holy Communion followed by light lunch in the Breakspear Room
- 7.45 pm Choir practice in St Lawrence

Thursday 4th

- 11.30 am Burial of Ashes of Gladys Scott
- 8.00 pm Home Group in the Breakspear Room

Friday 5th

- 10.00 am Craft Morning in the Tin Church
- 10.00 am AHAL Coffee in the Henderson Hub, Abbots Langley High Street
- 1.00 pm Ascension Acorns in the Tin Church
- 2.00 pm Craft & Conversation in the Breakspear Room
- 6.15 pm Youth Choir practice in the Breakspear Room

Saturday 6th

- 9.00-10.30 am Intercessions Workshop in the Breakspear Room
- 9.30 am Churchyard Working Party
- 1.00 pm Wedding for Joel Corsan and Louise Saunders

AVAILABILITY

Peter's day off is Thursday this week

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Isaiah 66.10-14; Galatians 6.7-16;
Luke 10.1-11,16-20

NOTICES

► Today we launch the **STONWORK APPEAL** for St Lawrence. We need to raise around £25,000 to reach our target of £102,000. Please give whatever you can, however much or little, via the Church Office or electronically via sort code: 30-99-21; account no: 01540225; name: Abbots Langley PCC; ref: Stonework. Thank you.

► Peter is running an **INTERCESSIONS WORKSHOP** - for all those who currently lead intercessions or for those who would like to consider it - on Saturday 6th July from 9.00 to 10.30 am in the Breakspear Room.

► **Peter and Lisa** are holding an **OPEN HOUSE AT 26 GREENWAYS** on Saturday 13th July between 2.30 and 5.00 pm. All welcome.

► **ABBOTS LANGLEY PLAYERS** presents "The Children" by Lucy Kirkwood – a gripping drama involving a post nuclear accident and retired physicists with a shared past. Performances at the Henderson Hub from Thursday 11th to Saturday 13th July at 8.00 pm, also Saturday at 3.00 pm. Tickets – 0844 804 5354.

► Patricia Hill is holding an **OPEN GARDEN** at Willowbank, 3 Kings Meadow, Kings Langley, on Sunday 21st July between 2.00 and 4.30 pm in aid of Prostate Cancer. Entry £5 to include tea and food.

► **PILGRIM COURSE** on **The Creed** - continues on Sunday evenings at 7.30 pm led by Peter in the Tin Church, and on Tuesdays at 1.00 pm led by Sally in the Breakspear Room. For those coming on Tuesdays there will be a light lunch from 12.30 pm. Books (£5 each) are available in the office.

► **THEATRE TRIP** - the Social Committee has booked tickets to see 'The Girl on the Train' at Wycombe Swan on Thursday 19th September leaving the lych gate at 5.45 pm. The cost is £42 per ticket to include the coach fare and driver gratuity. **One seat left** - please speak to the office if you would like it.

MESSY CHURCH

Next one: **Wednesday 10th July**; theme: **'Join in Worshipping God'** - in the Methodist church and hall from 3.30 to 6.00 pm for all primary and younger aged children with their parents/carers: stories, activities and fun, finishing with supper.

► **GOOD NEIGHBOURS** are desperate for more **DRIVERS** to take villagers to local appointments - if you want to find out what sort of commitment is required, please speak to Linda North or Marcus Coultrup.

► **OUTLOOK** (church magazine) is on sale for July - copies are 50p each.

► **THEFT OF LEAD FROM CHURCH ROOFS** - you may have seen this has happened fairly locally recently so please keep an eye on both churches, especially if you are out and about after dark, and report anything suspicious.

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If anyone needs the ministry of a priest at any time, day or night, please contact Peter directly.

