

NOTICES

► **PARISH GIVING SCHEME** - please take a pack if you haven't already had one. Read about this new way of planned giving and complete and send off the form. If you need help completing the form please contact the office.

► **MAP MEETING - Transforming Communities** - today at 7.30 pm in the Breakspear Room.

► **CORPUS CHRISTI** - Thursday 15th June - service at the Abbey at 8.00 pm - if you'd like to share a lift please sign the sheet - if you'd like to donate towards bread for the Abbey please hand it into the office.

► **ALL AGE AFRICAN EVENT** - Saturday 24th June at 5.00 pm in St Lawrence Church hall - this is to launch the 2018 Malawi Fundraising campaign. A fun evening for all the family with food and cocktails. Adults £10, children over 5 £3, family ticket £25 (2 adults & 2 children). See poster for more details.

► **ALBANTIDE CELEBRATIONS** at the Abbey - Saturday 24th June - a day out in St Albans for all the family, including worship and activities - see June Outlook for more details.

► **OPEN CHURCH SUNDAY** - Sunday 25th June when both churches will be open between 11.00 am and 4.00 pm. All welcome.

► **TOM MCLEAN** son of the Abbots Langley Methodist Minister the Revd Derek McLean is to be made Deacon in Peterborough Cathedral on Sunday 25th June - please take a prayer card and pray for him.

► The vicar of St Mary's, Watford needs a **PA**, 12 hours a week, contact jacky.stmaryswatford@gmail.com for more details - closing date for applications 22nd June, interview 26th June.

► **THE GONDOLIERS** - an Abbots Langley Gilbert and Sullivan Society performance at Watford Palace Theatre - if you'd like to join a group going on Friday 7th July please sign the list.

► **TOY & PUZZLE FAIR** on Saturday 8th July - donations of good quality toys and puzzles to Jan Taylor (262565). Proceeds will go to the Friends.

► Empty **PLASTIC BOTTLES WITH LIDS** needed for the All Age African Event - please pass to Wendy Meldrum.

ST LAWRENCE CHURCH FETE

Saturday 1st July from 2.00 pm

Please sign the list in church to indicate what stall you can help with and also if you can make a cake; donations are needed for the Tombola please pass them to Marcus Coultrup or the office.

► **OUTLOOK** (church magazine - 40p) is available for June. Please take copies.

► Extra **SIDESPEOPLE** are needed at the 8.00 am and 9.30 am services. Please contact the office if you would like to find out more.

► Trip to **BLenheim PALACE** on Wednesday 23rd August leaving St Lawrence at 9.30 am and returning at approx 6.00 pm - cost approx. £30 for palace and gardens (£27 for concessions) or £24 for gardens only (£22) - please sign the list.

► **THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME** at Milton Keynes Theatre on Tuesday 12th September - cost £40pp - please sign the list.

► We are very grateful to the kind donor who paid the whole cost of the glorious and very comfortable **PEW CUSHIONS**.

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*If anyone needs the ministry of a priest,
or in any emergency at anytime,
day or night, please contact Peter directly.*

THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

11th June 2017
TRINITY SUNDAY



TODAY

8.00 am Holy Communion

President & Preacher: The Revd Angela Milton
Reader: Pam Haggith

9.30 am All Age Communion Service

President & Preacher: The Revd Dr Peter Waddell
Hymns: Bless the Lord, O my soul - 212 -
Holy spirit breath of heaven -
O the deep deep love of Jesus - 514
Anthem: We worship you - Roger Jones

11.30 am Christening of Daniel Passmore

12.30 pm Christening of Oliver Swinton

6.30 pm Evening Prayer

Leader: The Revd Dr Peter Waddell

7.30 pm MAP Meeting - Transforming Communities in the

WELCOME

Welcome to everyone at our worship today especially to those who have come to hear their Banns of Marriage read, visitors and newcomers - please introduce yourself if you are new or a visitor.

If you have been confirmed or 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 sidesman before the service if you would like a **gluten-free wafer**.

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

For our younger members at 9.30 am:

Crèche (0-3 years)

in the Breakspear Room

with suitable toys

Seekers (3-10 years)

in the church hall

except Second Sundays

(the Church Hall is at the end of the car park)

Quiet Children's Corner in Church



**Before the service,
listen to God;
and after the service,
listen to each other.**

If you have come to the service at 9.30 am please stay for a cup of tea or coffee and a chat in the church hall.



SERVICES THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer

9.30 am Monday to Friday

Evening Prayer

5.15 pm Monday to Friday

Pray for a Growing Church

10.15 am Monday (Corpus Christi Chapel)

Holy Communion

10.15 am Wednesday

Quiet Reflection

11.00 am Wednesday (Corpus Christi Chapel)

Early Prayer for the parish & community

8.15 am Thursday

A collection is taken at each main service. If you are a UK tax payer, please use 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.

If you would prefer to set up a standing order, as many others are, please contact Marcus Coultrup (334387).

THE PRAYERS AND BIBLE READINGS

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

COLLECT: Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FIRST READING Isaiah 40.12-17, 27-end Bible page 678

A poetic passage which reminds Israel of the incomparable greatness of God. He is the eternal, unsearchable Creator, far beyond human understanding and wisdom. Yet he is not an abstract, distant deity, but a loving God who sustains and cares for his people.

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 13.11-end Bible page 183

Paul concludes his letter with the words of what we have come to call 'the Grace'. But for our familiar 'fellowship of the Holy Spirit', Paul uses 'communion of the Holy Spirit': a reminder not just that through the Holy Spirit we are always with God, but that it is the Holy Spirit that binds us together as Christians. We exist as people in communion: with God and with each other.

GOSPEL Matthew 28.16-20 Bible page 32

Baptism in the Holy Trinity is the mark of belonging to Christ and his Church. It unites us with Christ and with Christians throughout history and throughout the world. The gospel knows no limits: it is for all people, to the ends of the earth. With the end of Matthew's gospel comes the first chapter in the life of the Church: to be apostolic – sent into the world to witness to the love of God in Christ.

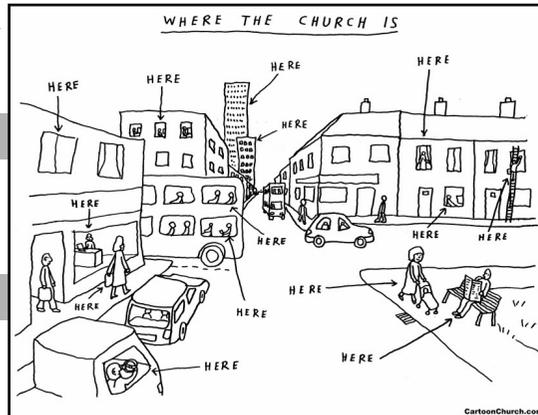
POST COMMUNION PRAYER: Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever. Amen.

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Exodus 19.2-8a
Romans 5.1-8
Matthew 9.35-10.8

AVAILABILITY

Peter - Clergy Conference (Mon to Thurs)
- Day off Friday



FOR OUR PRAYERS

GIVE THANKS FOR

- » our communion with God
- » all that unites Christians

PRAY FOR

- » the mission of the Church
- » courage and conviction to live out the gospel
- » Daniel Passmore and Oliver Swinton who are being christened today
- » Seekers (Sunday school) and its leaders
- » those who worship at St Lawrence Church
- » those who live in Hunton Bridge Hill, Hurricane Way and Hyde Lane

THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

- » Claire Argent-Phillips & Harry : Sonya : Hazel Muskett : Owen Nelson : Paul Goggins : Phyllis Ridgeway : Rob Sheppard : Lucie Shephard

R.I.P.

- » Audrey Bird : Lydia Skoyles

The Anthem: We worship you

I want to praise you, Father,
you are always there to care for me.
I want to praise you Father,
now I come to worship you.

*We worship you, we worship you
and as we do your power flows through!*
*We worship you, we worship you,
our Lord and God, we worship you.*

Jesus, I really love you,
love you just because you first loved me.
Jesus, I really love you.
Now I come to worship you.

I wait, O Holy Spirit,
open to the things you want to say.
I wait, O Holy Spirit,
now I come to worship you.

Roger Jones, Christian Music Ministries

THE COMING WEEK

MONDAY 12th Barnabas the Apostle

- 11.00 am Funeral of Elizabeth Skoyles at the Crematorium
- 2.15 pm Tiny Tots meet in the Breakspear Room
- 7.30 pm Bell Ringing practice

TUESDAY 13th

- 10.15 am Tuesday Coffee in the Breakspear Room

WEDNESDAY 14th

- 10.15 am **Holy Communion including MU Corporate Communion** followed by coffee in the Breakspear Room
- 3.30-6.00 pm Messy Church at the Methodist Church

THURSDAY 15th Day of Thanksgiving for Holy Communion (Corpus Christi)

- 11.00 am Flower Arrangers meeting in the Breakspear Room
- 8.00 pm Service at St Albans Abbey

FRIDAY 16th Richard, Bishop of Chichester, 1253

- 10.00 am AHAL Coffee in the Henderson Hub
- 10.00 am Craft Group in Bedmond Church
- 2.00 pm Craft and Conversation in the Breakspear Room
- 6.15 pm Youth Choir practice

SATURDAY 17th

- 9.30 am Diocesan Synod meets in Dunstable
- 10.00 am Making a MAP - 1st draft - in the Breakspear Room

NEXT SUNDAY

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 18th June 2017

- 8.00 am **Holy Communion**
President and Preacher: The Revd Guy Buckler
- 9.30 am **Parish Communion with Seekers and Creche**
President and Preacher: The Revd Guy Buckler
- 11.00 am **Holy Communion at Bedmond**
President & Preacher: The Revd Brian Hibberd
- 12.30 pm **Christening of Charlotte Cripps**
- 12.30 pm **Sunday Lunch Club**
- 6.30 pm **Evening Prayer**
Leader: The Revd Dr Peter Waddell