

THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

16th June 2019

TRINITY SUNDAY



TODAY

8.00 am Holy Communion in St Lawrence
President & Preacher: The Revd Peter Waddell
Reader: Sue Tomson

9.30 am Second Sunday Communion Service in St Lawrence
President & Preacher; The Revd Guy Buckler
Hymns: 212 - 242 - 225 - 53 - 464 - 514
Readers: Claire Higgs & Alan Alexander
Intercessor: Liz Burns

11.15 am Holy Communion
in the Tin Church
President & Preacher: The Revd Peter Waddell
Hymns: 212 - 242 - 225 - 514
Reader: Janette Noonan

12.45 pm Christening for Lilah Mitchell

6.30 pm Evening Prayer 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, newcomers and those who have come to hear their Banns of Marriage read - 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 the 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: 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 Proverbs 8.1-4, 22-31 Bible page 602

This passage was much debated in the early Church for what it revealed about the Second Person of the Trinity. 'The Wisdom of God' who speaks was identified with the Logos, the Word of St John's prologue, and hence with Christ, who was with God in the beginning. Holy Wisdom is later associated with the Holy Spirit.

SECOND READING Romans 5.1-5 Bible page 151

Paul speaks of a relationship within God that all believers are drawn into: instead of separation from God we have access to God the Father through Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit pours God's love into our hearts. So we have hope, and we grow towards that community which is at the heart of God, and will even share in God's glory.

GOSPEL John 16.12-15 Bible page 107

The truth of God is something we grow into, as God leads us deeper and deeper into faith. The Father has entrusted everything to the Son and, in turn, everything about the Son will be revealed to us by the Holy Spirit. So we become part of the means by which God reveals his love and life to the world.

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.**

ANTHEM at 9.30 am

'Come, Holy Ghost' - Attwood
(words 92 in the hymn book)

Diocese of St Albans

LIVING GOD'S LOVE PRAYER

Living God,
draw us deeper into your love;
Jesus our Lord,
send us to care and serve;
Holy Spirit,
make us heralds of good news.
Stir us, strengthen us,
teach and inspire us
to live your love
with generosity and joy,
imagination and courage;
for the sake of your world
and in the name of Jesus.
Amen.

FOR OUR PRAYERS

GIVE THANKS FOR

- » community and communion
- » the joy of a living relationship with the living God
- » the gifts and talents of others
- » church music: for our choirs, organists and musicians (*today is designated Music Sunday by the Royal School of Church Music*)

PRAY FOR

- » a deeper understanding and experience of God's love
- » those who feel far from God
- » Lee and Megan Attard who married in St Lawrence yesterday
- » Lilah Mitchell to be christened in St Lawrence today
- » those who live in Hillside Close, Hilltop Road, Hunters Lane
- » those who worship at the Tin Church

THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

- » Stan Johnson : Ben : Paul Maxted
- ### RIP
- » Joyce Naylor (Newhouse Crescent) : David Gallagher

NEXT SUNDAY

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 23rd June 2019

- 8.00 am Holy Communion** in St Lawrence
President & Preacher: The Revd Peter Waddell
- 9.30 am Parish Communion with Seekers and Creche** in St Lawrence
President & Preacher: The Revd Peter Waddell
- 11.15 am Holy Communion** in the Tin Church
President & Preacher: The Revd Peter Waddell
- 12.45 pm Christening** for Callum Regan in St Lawrence
- 2.00 pm Christening** for Tori-Stevie Toms in The Tin Church
- 6.30 pm Evening Prayer** in St Lawrence
Leader: The Revd Peter Waddell
- 7.30 pm Pilgrim Course** on The Creeds in the Tin Church

THE COMING WEEK

Monday 17th

- 2.15 pm Tiny Tots in the Breakspear Room
- 3.20 pm Funeral of Joyce Naylor at the Crem
- 7.30 pm Ringers practice in St Lawrence tower
- 8.00 pm Worship Committee at 72 The Crescent

Tuesday 18th

- 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
- 7.00 pm MU Midsummer Supper

Wednesday 19th

- 10.30 am Home Communion at Abbeyfield
- 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 20th

- 12.00 noon-2.00 pm Deanery Chapter meets at St Lawrence

Friday 21st

- 10.00 am Craft Morning in the Tin Church
- 10.00 am AHAL Coffee in the Henderson Hub, Abbots Langley High St
- 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 22nd - St Albans Day

- 9.30 am Safeguarding Training in the Breakspear Room
- 2.00 pm St Lawrence Church Fete on the ground in front of the church

AVAILABILITY

Peter's day off is Thursday this week

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Isaiah 65.1-9; Galatians 3.2-29;
Luke 8.26-39

NOTICES

► **PILGRIM COURSE** on **The Creed** - Sunday evenings at 7.30 pm led by Peter in the Tin Church and Tuesday 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.

► We have two **MALAWIAN DEACONS** visiting the parish this week, stopping off on their way from Canterbury to Birmingham. If you would like to meet them we are holding a bring and share supper in the Breakspear Room at 7.00 pm on Thursday evening (20th June). Please sign the list at the back of church if you can come or speak to Claire Edgerton or Pam Rastall to find out more.

► **ST LAWRENCE CHURCH FETE - 22nd June - if you are able to offer any prizes for the tombola please get them to Marcus, Sue or the office well before the day.** Cakes, plants, books and other items can be brought on the day. We need plenty of help on the day so please do sign up on the flip chart in Church or let Carol know crl.higgs@googlemail.com. This year's charities are Watford Town Centre Chaplaincy, New Hope and AL Carers Network.

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

► **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. There are just a couple of seats left - please speak to the office if you would like to go.

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 June - copies are 50p each.

► Come and enjoy a **PRACTICAL ART WORKSHOP**: 'The Art of the Sky' in the Tin Church on Thursday 20th June from 10.00 am to 12.00 noon. This is part of a series of themed practical half-day workshops held in a variety of small and unusual venues. Suitable for all abilities. Materials and refreshments provided. Please contact Susan Cooke on 0 7 9 6 2 8 6 8 0 2 8 o r mscooke044@btinternet.com to book or for further details.

► 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.

► **PLANNED GIVING** - for those who are on planned giving please collect your **year-end thankyou letter** from the table at the back of church.

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

