

THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

14th July 2019

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



TODAY

8.00 am Holy Communion in St Lawrence
President & Preacher: The Revd Jos Perris
Reader: David Staines

9.30 am Second Sunday Communion Service in St Lawrence
President & Preacher; The Revd Peter Waddell
Hymns: 405 - 500 - 53 - 39 - 354

11.15 am Holy Communion
in the Tin Church
President & Preacher: The Revd Jos Perris
Hymns: 296 - 442 - 426 - 518
Reader: Martin Tanner

12.45 pm Christening for Sienna Cullum

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

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 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: O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord 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

Deuteronomy 30.9-14

Bible page 193

The blessings that God promises to those who keep the Law are emphasised: obedient Israel will enjoy prosperity. But the worship of God, and the relevance of God's word is seen also in universal terms – the nearness of the word to the heart of the worshipper makes spiritual worship possible alongside the sacrificial system.

SECOND READING

Colossians 1.1-14

Bible page 197

Paul writes from prison to those he has not met – the young church at Colossae in Asia Minor, converted by Paul's friend Epaphras. He gives thanks for their faith, and prays that as the Gospel is reaching more and more lives, so it may reach more and more deeply into the life of each believer.

GOSPEL

Luke 10.25-37

Bible page 68

Jesus tells the parable of the Good Samaritan in answer to the question 'Who is my neighbour?' The lawyer who asked this has already given a summary of the Law in the two great commandments: love of God and love of neighbour. Jesus teaches that a hated Samaritan can be nearer to fulfilling the demands of the Law by showing mercy than the leaders of Israel who are too preoccupied with the ceremonial Law.

POST COMMUNION

PRAYER: Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Samaritan Prayer

Lord, please give me
a heart that will cry for those wounded
on the side of the road;
hands that are willing to lift such a one
and bandage their hurts;
feet that will carry such a one
to a warm and safe place and
resources to provide for the desolate and
hurting in our midst.

Amen.

FOR OUR PRAYERS

GIVE THANKS FOR

- » all who care unselfishly for others
- » the work of relief organisations and aid agencies
- » all who have helped us and bound up our wounds

PRAY FOR

- » greater friendship and tolerance between different peoples
- » an end to reprisals and retaliation
- » Sienna Cullum to be christened in St Lawrence today
- » those who live in Langley Lane, Langley Road, Lapwing Way
- » those who worship at St Saviour's and for their priests, Frs Richard and Christopher

THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

- » Stan Johnson : Ben : Paul Maxted

RIP

- » Baby Jackson Leifer (Abbots Road) : Sue Hall : Phyllis Ridgeway : Tom Howie

NEXT SUNDAY

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 21st July 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 Vanessa Kerswill

NO 11.15 am Communion

12.15 pm Christening for Lyla Dear in St Lawrence

12.30 pm Sunday Lunch Club in the hall

2.00 pm Wedding of Tom Guthrie and Hayley Hancock

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 15th

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

Tuesday 16th

- 10.15 am Tuesday Coffee in the Breakspear Room
- 7.00 pm Youth Club meets in the church hall
- 8.00 pm Mothers' Union meets in the Breakspear Room

Wednesday 17th

- 10.30 am Home Communion at Abbeyfield
- 11.15 am Quiet Reflection in the Corpus Christi Chapel
- 12.00 noon Holy Communion in St Lawrence, followed by light lunch in the Breakspear Room
- 7.45 pm Choir practice in St Lawrence

Friday 19th

- 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
- 7.15 pm Wedding rehearsal in St Lawrence

Saturday 20th

- 2.30 pm Christening for Rylie Curtis and Jaxson Hopkins

AVAILABILITY

Peter away Monday to Wednesday inclusive

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Genesis 18.1-10a; Colossians 1.15-28;
Luke 10.38-end

NOTICES

► **STONEMWORK 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. These donations are eligible for gift aid; please state if you would like us to claim the tax back. Thank you to those who have responded so far.

► 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.

► **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.

► **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.

► **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.

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

MALAWI FUN DAY Saturday 7th September

tickets available from
the Church Office
£10 each; £3 for children; £20 family
to include a barbecue

► Sunday 11th August - the social committee is looking for **SOMEONE TO DO THE BARBECUE** (gas barbecue; sausages & burgers) for the St Lawrence celebrations - if you are able to help please could you let Lesley Cummings or Carol Higgs know.

► **AL LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY** celebrates 25 years this year with a **Summer Exhibition** in the Henderson Hub on Saturday 27th July from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm. Timeline, photos, displays, artefacts. Free entry for all. To find out more about the Society see www.allhs.org.uk.

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