

THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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



30th May 2021

Trinity Sunday

TODAY

- 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
at St Lawrence
President: Revd. Peter Waddell
Preacher: Revd. Peter Waddell
Reader: David Staines
- 9.30am Eucharist at St. Lawrence
President: Revd. Peter Waddell
Preacher: Revd. Peter Waddell
Reader: Chris Sanders
Intercessions: Wendy Meldrum
- 11.15am Eucharist at the Tin Church
President: Revd. Jos Perris
Preacher: Revd. Jos Perris
- Readings: Isaiah 6:1-8
(Romans 8:12-17)
John 3:1-17
- 6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP)
at St Lawrence

CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Please feel free to light a candle and pray but do observe the correct social distancing rules. Be aware of social distancing not only next to you, but behind you and in front of you.

Please could we ask that you use the hand sanitizer provided and do not touch anything you don't need to.

Please do not enter any of the areas which are blocked as these are not cleaned regularly.

We will be open from 09.30 to 16.30 Monday to Saturday and 11.00 to 16.30 on a Sunday.

WELCOME

Welcome to 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 very welcome to receive a blessing.

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



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



It remains essential to book in for all services, via the Parish Office.

Please note that unless you are exempt, face masks remain mandatory. Unfortunately due to Government Guidelines, there will be no congregational singing. For the moment, communion continues using the bread only.

If medical reasons prevent you from attending church, and you would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact the parish office.

As always you can still contact us via FB, or the Church Office on 01923 261795 or email: adminstlawrence@abbotslangley.org.uk.

THE PRAYERS AND BIBLE READINGS

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.

READINGS:

Isaiah 6:1-8

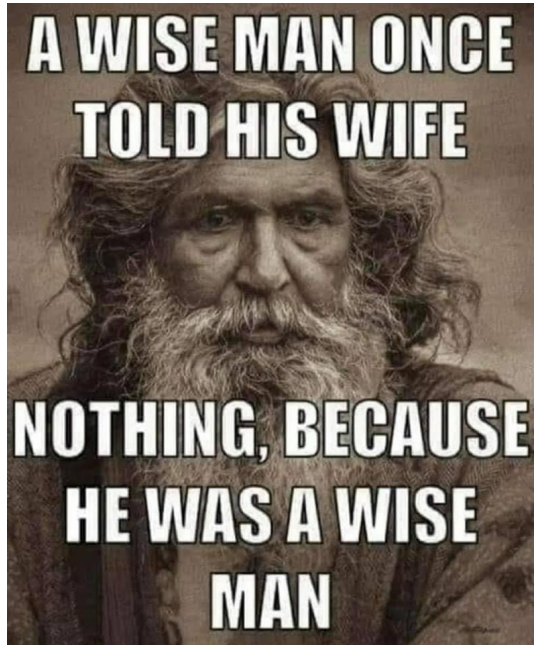
(Romans 8:12-17)

John 3:1-17

BIBLE NOTES: Just as was the case with Paul in **1 Cor.15**, when John contrasts ‘flesh’ and ‘spirit’, he doesn’t mean ‘physical’ and ‘non-physical’. It’s more a contrast between realities that are merely human, and those that are filled with the power and the presence of God. The difference, say, between going to a ritual in the temple, and suddenly being confronted there with the living God – which is what **Isaiah 6** is about. The glory of God waits to flash forth out of every ordinary, mundane situation. To be there when that happens is a bit like being born again: life will never be the same again, because it is placed in an immense, eternal context. The ordinary is revealed as the home of the glorious. Part of the point of Trinity Sunday is to remind us that Christianity was never (thankfully) just about being good people, or believing certain things: it’s about waking up to and being captivated by the astonishing mystery of God beyond and in our midst.

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.



Although restrictions are beginning to ease, we are still required to collate contact details for those attending any service, due to track and trace purposes.

It still remains essential you book in if you would like to attend any services including the Wednesday Quiet Reflection and Holy Communion.

If you are attending a Sunday service, please let the office know by 12.30pm on a Friday.

FOR OUR PRAYERS

Please pray:

- * The people of Malosa in Malawi
- * For all those who have lost loved ones or been hurt by the recent events in the Holy Land
- * The anxious and the fearful
- * For the growth of the church in faith, hope, love and numbers

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED
Henry Bremer; Emma; James Mote; Steve;
Patricia Lakey; Pat; Laura; Audrey Lockyer;
Marion Constable; Doreen; Beth Perman

FOR THE DEPARTED
Mark Palmer; Paul Goggins



NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 6th June
The First Sunday After Trinity

- 8am: Holy Communion (BCP)
at St. Lawrence
- 9.30am: Eucharist at St. Lawrence
- 11.15am: Eucharist at The Tin Church
- 6.30pm: Evening Prayer (BCP) at St.
Lawrence

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Gen. 3.8-15
(2 Cor. 4: 13 - 5: 1)
Mark 3. 20-end

AVAILABILITY

Peter is on leave Wednesday to Friday
Maxine is on leave Tuesday to Saturday

THE COMING WEEK

Due to the Bank Holiday and the Clergy being away, all weekday services are suspended for this week.

Normal timetable resumes next week.

If you would like to listen to Morning Prayer, please go to the link below. If you would like the link emailed to you, please contact the Parish Office

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer/daily-prayer-app-and-podcast>

NB Please note the office will be closed on Wednesday 2nd June



Notices...

Container for Malawi - We have just been allocated space on the Birmingham Container destined for Malawi. Loading is June 12th and we will need to have all items for packing by Tuesday 8th June. Several people have knitting and other items ready for collection so please contact Wendy Meldrum 01923 267383 or wendymeldrum@gmail.com or contact the parish office on 01923 261795. It is short notice but there is a list of items that have been requested by St Luke's Hospital, Malosa at the back of the church and a box labelled "Malawi" for you to put them in. You can also find this in June's edition of Outlook. If you are able to support in this, it will be very much appreciated. Thank you!

The Malawi Team are in need of a minibus or van to take all the items we have collected up to Birmingham. Does anyone know of one we could use? We need it on the evening of Friday 11th June for packing the items and on Saturday 12th to drive to Birmingham. We

have people prepared to drive. If you are able to help or know of someone who can, please contact Norman Meldrum on 01923 267383 or normanjmeldrum@gmail.com

Traidcraft - Norman Meldrum will order Traidcraft Products for you. Look on-line at www.traidcraftshop.co.uk. Orders will be added together to avoid delivery charges and our church will benefit from the margin of at least 10%. Please provide Norman with the full product description, including size and be sure to provide your contact details, particularly your phone number. Orders please to normanjmeldrum@gmail.com (preferred) or by phone on 01923 267383.

Coffee - As restrictions ease, you are welcome once again to bring your own coffee/tea and stay a while in the Churchyard for a chat after the 9.30am service, socially distancing of course!



Foodbank...

Thank you to everyone who continues to donate food for us to take to the Watford Foodbank.

The items we most need at the moment are:

Tinned fruit

Instant mashed potato

Tinned tomatoes/tinned vegetables

Bags of sugar (especially 500g bags)

Tinned rice pudding/custard

Packets of jelly or sponge puddings

Long-life fruit juice/Long life milk

Jars of jam/ honey/ peanut butter/ chocolate spread

Jars of pasta sauce

Tinned meat

Little chocolate bars and sweet treats

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Church Office Opening Times:

10.00 am to 12.30 pm Mon-Fri - 01923 261795

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

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