THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

16th March 2025

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



TODAY

Eucharist at

St Lawrence Church

President &

8.00am

Preacher: Revd Helen Neville

Reader: Tom Betteridge

9.30am Eucharist at

St Lawrence Church

President: Revd Peter Waddell **Preacher:** Revd Helen Neville

Reader: Wendy Meldrum

Intercessions: Sally Sanderson

11.30am: Eucharist at The Church of

the Ascension

President

Preacher: Revd Helen Neville

Reader: Wendy Ball

Readings:

Ecclesiastes 5:10-15 (P. 629)

Matthew 6:19-24 (P. 6)

(1Timothy 6:6-10, 17-19) (P. 208)

Hymns:

482: Jerusalem the golden

458: Have faith in God, my heart

386: Be thou my vision

603: Thou hidden source of calm repose

(tune 2)

398: Christ triumphant, ever reigning

5.00pm Taizé Service at St

Lawrence Church

6.30pm Nameless Youth Group

Breakspear Room

WELCOME

Welcome to our worship today, especially to visitors and newcomers! Do please make yourself known, and stay for refreshments in the church hall afterwards.

All baptised Christians are welcome to receive communion here. If for any reason you'd rather not, do come for a blessing instead, bringing the service booklet with you as a sign that's what you'd prefer.

Please tell a welcomer before the service if you would like a gluten-free wafer at communion. There is no obligation to receive the wine if this causes anxiety.

Our main Sunday morning service is filmed for live video streaming as well as other special services and can be viewed at www.churchmedia.tv/abbotslangley or via our website www.abbotslangley.org.uk.

Recordings may also be retained and made available through other sites (e.g. Facebook and YouTube). The objective of this is to provide accessibility to those who are unable to attend.

For those unable to attend church due to medical reasons, we will be delighted to bring communion to you at home: please do ask!

Refreshments will be served in the Church Hall after the 9.30am service.



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THE PRAYERS AND BIBLE READINGS

COLLECT:

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things

that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

POST COMMUNION:

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ANTHEM:

Ave Verum Corpus (Mozart)

Ave verum corpus natum ex Maria Virgine, vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine,

cujus latus perforatum vero fluxit et sanguine,

esto nobis praegustatum mortis in examine.

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mankind.

from whose pierced side flowed water and blood:

Be for us a foretaste in the trial of death!



FOR OUR PRAYERS

- the parish of St. Michael and All Angels
- all who seek to build peace and justice
- For the grace to keep a disciplined Lent
- the Malawi Project and the people of Malosa

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

Chris Ballard; Liz Brooker; Christopher Seabrook; Olive Reeder; Pope Francis

FOR THE DEPARTED Terri Garbutt; Graham Page;

NEXT SUNDAY

23rd March 2025

The Third Sunday of Lent

8.00am Eucharist at St Lawrence

Church

9.30am Eucharist at St Lawrence

Church

11.30am Eucharist at The Church of the

Ascension

5.00pm BCP Evening Prayer at St

Lawrence Church

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Isaiah 55: 1 - 9 (P. 696) 1 Corinthians 10: 1 - 13 (P. 168) Luke 13: 1 - 9 (P. 72)

AVAILABILITY

Peter is off on Monday and Helen is off on Friday.

THE COMING WEEK

Monday - Saturday, 9.15am Morning Prayer In the Corpus Christi Chapel

Monday 17th March

10.00am Coffee Morning Breakspear Room 7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice St Lawrence Church

Tuesday 18th March

10.30am Tiny Tots Breakspear Room

8.00pm Property Committee Meeting Breakspear Room

Wednesday 19th March

12.00 Eucharist Corpus Christi Chapel

6.30pm Junior Choir Practice St Lawrence Church

> 8.00pm Choir Practice St Lawrence Church

Thursday 20th March

12.00pm - 2.00pm Bedmond Bells Cafe The Church of the Ascension (Tin Church)

12.30pm Lent Course: Heresy 101 Breakspear Room

8.00pm Friends and Faith Group Breakspear Room

Friday 21st March

10.00am Bedmond Bells Craft and Chat The Church of the Ascension

> 2.00pm Craft and Conversation Breakspear Room

Saturday 22nd March

12.00pm Christening of Katy Griffin St Lawrence Church

7.00pm Quiz Night in aid of Malawi St Lawrence Church Hall

There is no collection during today's service. If you would like to give this morning, please use the contactless giving point at the back of Church, or just leave your gift on the offering plates at the back. Thank you.

Many of our worshippers support the work of the Parish financially through regular planned giving. If you don't yet, please do—ideally using the Parish Giving Scheme. It is really easy to do: just visit www.parishgiving.org.uk and search for 'Abbots Langley and Bedmond'. Alternatively, please call 0333 002 1260. For any queries about giving to the parish, please email: churchwarden2@abbotslangley.org.uk

Our Stewardship Campaign concludes officially today—but it's not too late to get those pledge cards back in!! Please return them to the Parish Office this week if you haven't already. If you don't know what any of this is about, please speak to Peter, Helen or Tom as soon as possible: we need everyone to be involved!

Malawi Quiz Night: Saturday 22nd March 7pm for 7.30pm start. Come and join in the fun. Put together your own table of 8 or join a table on night. Price £15, includes a two course supper. BYO drink. For tickets, please contact Wendy Meldrum: wendymeldrum@gmail.com.

This Lent, we invite you to join us for a Lent group looking at some of the most notable heresies in the history of the Church. Heresy 101: A Lent Journey Through Error and Truth. Starting on Thursday 6th March at 12:30pm in the Breakspear Room, St Lawrence Church. All are welcome.

This year we need to prepare a new electoral roll. Being a member of the electoral roll of a parish entitles a person to take part in the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM), to elect members of the PCC and Deanery Synods. It is the nearest thing a parish church has to a 'membership list'. If you want to be part of it, please complete the form at the back of the church and return it to the church office by Friday 25th April 2025.

Join us for a fun-filled afternoon of Easter-themed crafts at St Lawrence Church on Saturday 12th April from 3pm - 5pm. All are warmly welcome to attend and there will be lots of exciting activities for children to enjoy. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Please register by emailing pennymcloughlin@live.co.uk if you would like to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

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