

# THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

**13th August 2023**

The Feast of St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr



## TODAY

**8.00am** Eucharist at St Lawrence Church

**President & Preacher:** Revd. Peter Waddell

**Reader:** David Staines

**11.00am** Patronal Festival Eucharist at St Lawrence Church

**President:** Revd. Peter Waddell

**Preacher:** Revd. Charlotte Bradley

**Reader:** Peter Faulkner

**Intercessions:** Revd. Helen Neville

### Readings:

Isaiah 43: 1 - 7 (P. 682)

Matthew 6: 19-24 (P. 6)

There is no 11.30am service at the Church of the Ascension this week.

### Hymns:

Lawrence True and Noble Martyr

383: Be still for the presence of the Lord

278: Alleluia, sing to Jesus

375: Amazing Grace

455: Guide me O Thou Great Redeemer

**5.00pm** BCP Evening Prayer

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



Our service is livestreamed on Facebook and [thesundayservice.org](https://www.thesundayservice.org). **Please note that the last broadcast from thesundayservice.org will be on 27th August 2023. We are exploring option for continuing to provide a livestreamed 9.30am service after this date: please watch this space.**

Welcome to all those taking part from home: if you would like an order of service to follow please contact the parish office. For those unable to attend church due to medical reasons, we will be delighted to bring communion to you at home: please do ask!

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

There is no coffee in the Church Hall today because.....



**A BBQ will follow the 11.00am service.**



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## THE PRAYERS AND BIBLE READINGS

### COLLECT:

Almighty God who made Lawrence a loving servant of your people and a wise steward of the treasures of your Church: fire us with his example to love as he loved and to walk in the way that leads to eternal life; 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.**

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

God our redeemer, whose Church was strengthened by the blood of your martyr Lawrence: so blind us, in life and death, to Christ's sacrifice that our lives, broken and offered with his, may carry his death and proclaim his resurrection in the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### ANTHEMS

#### Holy is the True Light (*Harris*)

*Holy is the True Light, and passing wonderful,  
lending radiance to them that endured in the heat of the conflict,  
from Christ they inherit a home of unfading splendour,  
wherein they rejoice with gladness evermore.  
Alleluia!*

#### Locus Iste (*Bruckner*)

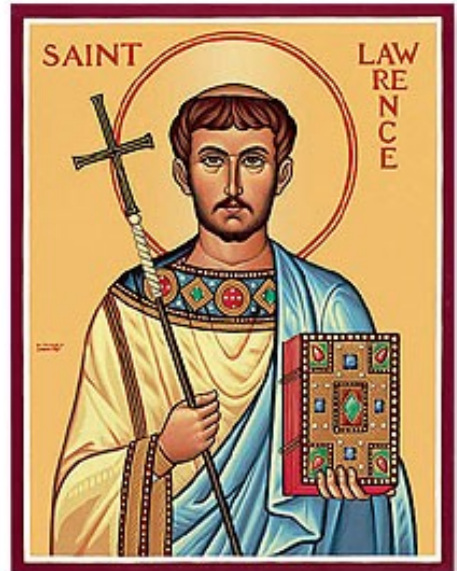
*Locus iste a Deo factus est  
Inaestimabile sacramentum  
Irreprehensibilis est.*

*This place was made by God  
An inestimable mystery  
It is irreproachable.*

## Lawrence, Deacon at Rome

### 10 August

The sources for the martyrdom of Lawrence are among the earliest, though the details are thin. Lawrence was one of the seven deacons at Rome and closely associated with Pope Sixtus II, martyred just a few days before him. His examiners insisted he produce the Church treasures. He promptly did so: assembling all the poor, he is reputed to have said, "These are the treasures of the Church." The story of his being put to death on a gridiron is a much later addition to his story. He died on this day in the year 258.



## FOR OUR PRAYERS

- For all who are faced with persecution and martyrdom for their faith.
- For the church's ministry with the poorest and most vulnerable.
- For those who persecute and oppress.
- For the parish of St. Peter's Bushey Heath.

### FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

Chris Ballard; David Southorn;  
James Mote; Nancy DeMaranville; Sandra McIntosh; Marie Thomas; Martin Greeves;  
Sonia.

### FOR THE DEPARTED

Rosemary Tucker; Terry Barry; Robert Lyon; Michael White

## NEXT SUNDAY

**20th August 2023**

### The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

8.00am **Morning Prayer**  
at St. Lawrence

9.30am Eucharist at St Lawrence

11.30am **Morning Prayer**  
at The Church of the  
Ascension

## READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Genesis 45: 1 - 15 (P. 43)  
Isaiah 56: 1, 6 - 8 (P. 696)  
Romans 11: 1 - 2a, 29 - 32 (P. 156)  
Matthew 15: (10 - 20) 21 - 28 (P. 16)

## AVAILABILITY

Peter is on annual leave until Sunday 27th  
August  
Helen's day off is Friday.

## THE COMING WEEK

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

### Monday 14th August

10.00am Coffee Morning  
*Breakspear Room*

7.30pm Bell ringing Practice  
*St Lawrence Church*

### Wednesday 16th August

11.15am Contemplative Prayer  
*In the Corpus Christi Chapel*

***Please note there is no 12.00 noon  
communion for the next two weeks  
as Peter is on leave***

### Friday 18th August

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

2.00pm Craft and Conversation  
*Breakspear Room*

### Saturday 19th August

2.00pm Malawi Project Motoring Meander  
*Church Hall*

3.00pm Malawi Project Afternoon Tea  
*St Lawrence Church*

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.paritygiving.org.uk](http://www.paritygiving.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: [giving@abbotslangley.org.uk](mailto:giving@abbotslangley.org.uk). Parish Giving Packs can be collected from St Lawrence Church or from the Church Office.

**Next Sunday, 20th August:** because Peter is on leave, there will be only one Eucharist in the parish next Sunday—the 9.30am at St. Lawrence. The Revd. Nicolette Wolf, curate at Mill End, Heronsgate and Hyde in Rickmansworth will be the president and preacher. The 8am and 11.30am services will be Morning Prayer. Please note there will also be no Wednesday 12.00 communions for the next two weeks.

**Autumn Fest 16th September** 11.00am - 4pm. We are still looking for some help to represent our two churches at Autumn Fest. If you are able to help please let Carol know.

There will be **NO Bedmond Bells WI Coffee Morning in August.**

**We are looking for 3 people to add to the team of servers to be acolytes** and carry the candles on a Sunday morning at the 9.30am service. Full training will be given. Anyone from the age of 11 upwards could do this. Please speak to Carol, Peter or Helen.

**Saturday 19th August -Motoring Meander,** leave at 2.00pm from the Church hall. 3.00pm **Afternoon Tea** and antique tea pot and jewellery sale, St Lawrence Church. Both events in aid of the Malawi Project. Contact David or Eileen Adams: [David.adams31@ntlworld.com](mailto:David.adams31@ntlworld.com)

**Thank you to everyone who sponsored me** for the swim. I swam 365 lengths in 7 days ... 52 lengths a day (plus 1)! It was amazing to have so much support from those who counted the lengths, those who swam with me and especially those who sponsored me. THANK YOU. I should raise close to £2,000 (incl. gift aid). I will give the final total when all the sponsorship money is in. *Wendy Meldrum*

**'Bring and Sing':** Saturday 30th September 2-5pm at St. Lawrence, followed by an informal concert (free, but ticketed) at 5.30pm. A chance for **everyone** to have some fun and give singing a go: all ages and range of experiences welcome. Contact Marianne Ryall ([directorofmusic@abbotslangley.org.uk](mailto:directorofmusic@abbotslangley.org.uk)) for more details,

**Abbots Langley Players morning sale** 10.00am - 2.00pm Saturday August 19th in the Abbot's Barn (behind the Henderson Hall). Please see fliers at 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.  
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