

# THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

2nd June 2024

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



## TODAY

- 8.00am** Eucharist at  
St Lawrence Church
- President:** Revd. Peter Waddell  
**Preacher:** Sally Sanderson
- Reader:** Dennis Spooner
- 9.30am** Eucharist at  
St Lawrence Church
- President:** Revd. Peter Waddell  
**Preacher:** Sally Sanderson
- Reader:** Maureen Finerty
- Intercessions:** Wendy Meldrum
- 11.30am** Eucharist at the Church of the  
Ascension
- President:** Revd. Peter Waddell  
**Preacher:** Sally Sanderson
- Reader:** John Noonan
- Readings:**  
(1 Samuel 3: 1 - 10) (11 - 20) (P. 252)  
Deuteronomy 5: 12 - 15 (P. 169)  
(2 Corinthians 4: 5 - 12) (P. 177)  
Mark 2: 23 - 3.6 (P. 34)
- Hymns:**  
543: O praise ye the Lord  
PSALM 139.1-5, 13-16  
2: Christ, whose glory fills the skies  
191: O thou who camest from above  
418: Father, Lord of all creation
- 5.00pm** Breathing Space -  
'Is it ok to be rich?'  
St Lawrence Church
- 6.30pm** Nameless Youth Group  
Church Hall

## 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](http://www.churchmedia.tv/abbotslangley) or via our website [www.abbotslangley.org.uk](http://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:**

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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.

Faith, hope, and love: let these remain among you.

Faith, hope, and love: the greatest of these is love.

The love of Christ has gathered us together; let us rejoice and be glad in him. Let us fear and love the living God, and love each other from the depths of the heart.

When we are together, we should not be divided in mind; Let there be an end to bitterness and quarrels, and in our midst be Christ our God.

In company with the blessed, may we see your face in glory, pure and unbounded joy for ever and ever.

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER:**

Eternal Father, we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts: may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope, and make us grow in love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

I give you a new commandment, love one another as I have loved you. Faith, hope, and love, let these remain among you. Faith, hope and love; the greatest of these is love.

**ANTHEM:**

Faith, Hope and Love (*J Pachelbel and David Ogden*)

**PSALM:** 138(9).1-5,13-16.

*Response:*

I    praise    you                    for    I    am    won - der - ful - ly            made.

*Cantor: I praise you for I am wonderfully made.*    13

*Congregation & Choir: I praise you for I am wonderfully made.*

1        O Lord, you search me and you know me,

2        You know my resting and my rising, you discern my purpose from afar.

3        You mark when I walk or lie down, all my ways lie open to you.

*Response*

4        Before ever a word is on my tongue you know it, O Lord, through and through.

5        Behind and before you besiege me, your hand ever laid upon me.

*Response*

For it was you who created my being, knit me together in my mother's womb.

14        I thank you for the wonder of my being, for the wonders of all your creation.

*Response*

15        Already you knew my soul, my body held no secret from you when I was being fashioned in secret and moulded in the depths of the earth.

16        Your eyes saw all my actions, they were all of them written in your book;

every one of my days was decreed before one of them came into being.

*Response*

## FOR OUR PRAYERS

- For Deanery Synod, as it meets.
- For parish of St. Peter's, Watford
- For our choir and musicians
- For those standing for election to Parliament

### FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

Chris Ballard; Martin Greeves; Jo; Sean Furlong; The Princess of Wales; Stephen Maxted; Liz Brooker; Christopher Seabrook; Marie Hutchins; Brian Higgs

### FOR THE DEPARTED

Susan Andrews; Chloe Small  
Tony Horrox; Joyce Moore; Jack Gentle;  
Sue Tomson

## NEXT SUNDAY

**Sunday 9th June 2024**

The Second Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am Eucharist at  
St Lawrence Church
- 9.30am Second Sunday Service at  
St Lawrence Church
- 11.30am Bible Brunch at the Church of  
the Ascension
- 5.00pm BCP Evening Prayer

## READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

1 Samuel 8: 4 –20; 11:14-end.  
Genesis 3: 8 - 15  
2 Corinthians 4: 13 - 5.1 (P.  
Mark 3: 20 - end

## AVAILABILITY

Peter is off on 3rd June.  
Helen is on leave 6th - 9th June.  
Both at conference 10th - 13th June.

## THE COMING WEEK

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

### Monday 3rd June

10.00am Coffee Morning  
*Breakspear Room*

1.45pm Tiny Tots  
*Breakspear Room*

7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice  
*St Lawrence Church*

### Tuesday 4th June

12.00pm Funeral of Susan Andrews  
*St Lawrence Church*

### Wednesday 5th June

10.00am Coffee Morning  
*The Church of the Ascension*

11.15am Contemplative Prayer  
*In the Corpus Christi Chapel*

12.00pm Eucharist  
*St Lawrence Church*

2.30pm Funeral of Chloe Small  
*West Herts Crematorium*

6.30pm Youth Choir  
*St Lawrence Church*

8.00pm Choir Rehearsal  
*St Lawrence Church*

### Thursday 6th June

3.00pm Funeral of Tony Horrox  
*Eastbourne Crematorium*

### Friday 7th June

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

2.00pm Wedding of  
Chardonnay Hosier-Cantellow and  
Denis Sylva  
*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.parishgiving.org.uk](http://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: [giving@abbotslangley.org.uk](mailto:giving@abbotslangley.org.uk). Parish Giving Packs can be collected from St Lawrence Church or from the Church Office.

**Breathing Space - 'Is it ok to be rich?' - today!**  
5.00pm St Lawrence Church. A chance to explore some of the big issues of life with good company and lovely refreshments. All welcome.

**May Concerts**—we are delighted to announce that the total takings from the recent series of May Concerts amounted to £2,275.46. This is a brilliant result and great news for church funds. Many, many thanks to all who helped organise them, and to all who supported them.

**Memorial Tablets** - We are currently in the process of looking into laying memorial tablets around the edge of the Garden of Remembrance. If you have a loved one buried in the Garden of Remembrance and are interested in this

memorial option, please contact the Church Office.

**Church Fete - Saturday 15th June 12.00pm-3.00pm (At the front of St Lawrence Church).** COULD WE ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT, PLEASE DONATE ...Bottles, tins, packets, toiletries or unwanted gifts for the tombola. Cakes, jams or chutney. Plants. Raffle prizes **Please let us have the tombola items in advance** but the others can be brought along on the day from 9.30am onwards or to the office in advance.

**Watford Green Festival, June 9 from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm** for the start of this year's South West Herts Great Big Green Week. It takes place in Atria and the Parade in Watford High Street and includes stalls on a wide variety of things to do with sustainability.

**New Hope Appeal** - "Cultivate" is a New Hope recovery service which exists to support those recovering from homelessness, substance dependency and complex trauma through horticultural therapy and wellbeing opportunities. New Hope are currently looking to raise £10,000 to support this service. Donations will be match-funded (doubled) by Big Give if you are able to donate between 14th and 28th May. To donate go to [www.newhope.org.uk/restore](http://www.newhope.org.uk/restore) Thank you. Ian Bond"

**Coffee Morning at the Church of the Ascension (Tin Church)** Wednesday 5th June 10.00am - 12.00pm. All are welcome.

**DIOCESAN ELECTIONS ARE HAPPENING NOW!** Talk to Peter if you would like to be involved in this crucial Diocesan body.

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