

THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY
 St Lawrence the Martyr, Abbots Langley
 with the Church of the Ascension, Bedmond
28th September 2025
THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



TODAY

8.00am Eucharist at
St Lawrence Church

President & Preacher: Revd Peter Waddell

Reader: Joan Sutton

9.30am Eucharist at St Lawrence Church

President: Revd Helen Neville
Preacher: Revd Peter Waddell

Reader: Norman Meldrum

Intercessions: Tom Betteridge

11.30am Eucharist at the Church of the Ascension

President & Preacher: Revd Peter Waddell

Reader: Linda Ball

Readings:
 (Jeremiah 32: 1 - 3a, 6 - 15) (P. 747)
 1 Timothy 6: 6 - 19 (P. 208)
 Luke 16: 19 - end (P. 76)

Hymns:
 534: O for a thousand tongues to sing
 469: I heard the voice of Jesus say
 507: Lord of all hopefulness
 383: Be Still for the presence of the Lord
 362: Tell out my soul

3.30pm The Spark Service at St Lawrence Church

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! A T-loop is provided for hearing-



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



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THE PRAYERS AND BIBLE READINGS

COLLECT:

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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.

POST COMMUNION:

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT:

'Prayer is the only entry into genuine self-knowledge. It is also the main way we experience deep change - the re-ordering of our loves. Prayer is how God gives us so many of the unimaginable things he has for us. Indeed, prayer makes it safe for God to give us many of the things we most desire. It is the way we know God, the way we finally treat God as God. Prayer is simply the key to everything we need to do and be in life. We must learn to pray. We have to.' - Tim Keller, *Prayer*, p. 18

Michael & All Angels

29 September

Michael, Gabriel and Raphael are the three named biblical angels, depicted as the beloved messengers of God. Michael, which means 'who is like God?', is described as protector of Israel and leader of the armies of God and is perhaps best known as the slayer of the dragon in the Revelation to John. He is thus regarded as the protector of Christians from the devil, particularly those at the hour of death. A basilica near Rome was dedicated in the fifth century in honour of Michael on 30 September, beginning with celebrations on the eve of that day, and 29 September is now kept in honour of Michael and all Angels throughout the western Church.



FOR OUR PRAYERS

- For the King and the Government
- For Members of Parliament
- For all in the armed forces
- For St Matthew's, Oxhey

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

Chris Ballard; Christopher Seabrook; Laya Watters; Richard Constable; Sandra Clarke; Wendy Ball; Julie Marsden; Rob Sheppard; John Swallow; Pat Tuck; Bernard Eamer

FOR THE DEPARTED

Charlie Proctor; Norma McBarnette; Richard Batchelor; David James; Marion Constable

NEXT SUNDAY

5th October 2025

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

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| 8.00am | Eucharist at St Lawrence Church |
| 9.30am | Eucharist at St Lawrence Church |
| 11.30am | Harvest Festival Service at the Church of the Ascension |
| 5.00pm | Breathing Space at St Lawrence Church |
| 6.30pm | Nameless Youth Group
Breakspeare Room |

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Lamentations 1: 1 - 6 (P. 774)
Habakkuk 1: 1 - 4; 2: 1 - 4 (P. 886)
2 Timothy 1: 1 - 14 (P. 209)
Luke 17: 5 - 10 (P. 77)

AVAILABILITY

Peter is off on Monday
Helen is off on Friday.

THE COMING WEEK

Monday - Saturday, 9.15am

Morning Prayer

In the Corpus Christi Chapel

Monday 29th September

10.00am Coffee Morning

Breakspeare Room

7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

St Lawrence Church

Tuesday 30th September

10.30am Tiny Tots

Breakspeare Room

8.00pm PCC Meeting

Breakspeare Room

Wednesday 1st October

10.00am Coffee Morning

The Tin Church

12.00pm Eucharist

Corpus Christi Chapel

2.00pm Compassionate Café

Breakspeare Room

6.30pm Junior Choir Rehearsal

St Lawrence Church

8.00pm Choir Rehearsal

St Lawrence Church

Thursday 2nd October

8.00pm Friends and Faith Group

Breakspeare Room

Friday 3rd October

10.00am Bedmond Bells WI Craft and Chat

The Tin Church

2.00pm Craft and Conversation

Breakspeare Room

6.30pm Harvest Supper

The Tin Church

Saturday 4th October

9.30am Churchyard Working Party (CWP)

St Lawrence Churchyard

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

Friends and Faith returned on Thursday 25th September, with a six week course looking at the Creeds. Open to everyone who wants to make friends and explore the faith, and especially useful for anyone in being baptised or confirmed at the end of October. Speak to Peter to find out more...

Coffee Morning at the Tin Church Bedmond - Wednesday 1st October 10am - 12.00pm. Filter coffee and a selection of teas available. Handmade cards, home produce, books and bric a brac on sale. All are warmly welcome.

PLACES ARE LIMITED. CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION HARVEST SUPPER. Friday 3rd October, 6.30 for 7pm. Ploughmans supper & pudding. Cost £7. Sign up sheet will be at the back of

both Churches. Payment required by **29th September** please, in an envelope with your name on, to the Parish Office or give to Anne Goldsmith. On the evening, please bring your own crockery, cutlery, glass, drink and a poem or piece of writing to share if you wish.

12th October St Lawrence Harvest Festival service will be at 11am. There is a harvest lunch following the service. If you would like to come to the lunch please make sure you sign the list before 8th October so we can know numbers.

Friends of St Lawrence Quiz Night: 18th October 7pm Church Hall. See Wendy Meldrum for tickets. More details later!

Baby Loss Awareness Week - drop in throughout the day to light a candle and join us at 7pm for the global wave of light. St Lawrence Church, Wednesday 15th October 2pm - 7pm.

Elsa Jean McTaggart in concert with Gary Lister - '*Caledonia*', a selection of Scotland's finest folk, traditional music and more. Saturday 25th October 7.30pm in St Lawrence Church. Profits from the concert will go to the Malawi Project. Tickets £14. www.ticketsource.co.uk/flatpack or call 01923 444619.

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please contact Peter or Helen directly.***