



Outlook

August 2026

**Abbots Langley
and Bedmond
Parish
Magazine**

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SAVE THE LYCHGATE

The lychgate which stands at the main entrance to the churchyard of St Lawrence Church was commissioned as a memorial to Queen Victoria in 1901 and paid for by donations from the people of the parish.

It was designed by Architect Fredrick Kinnier—Tarte of St Albans and constructed by a local tradesman Edwin Glennister. The construction was carried out over 3 months during the summer of 1902.

The construction is primarily an oak timber framed structure with traditional mortice and tenon joints to the upper sections and with metal dowels and through bolts to the balustrade, posts and groundsill.

After one hundred and twenty-four years of providing a focal point in the village, a fitting entrance to the churchyard and shelter for all who need it, it is now in need of specialist restoration.

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August Calendar



REGULAR SERVICE TIMETABLE

Sunday

8.00am Eucharist
at St. Lawrence

9.30am Eucharist
at St. Lawrence

11.30am Eucharist
*at the Church of the
Ascension*

Wednesday

12.00 noon Eucharist

Monday to Saturday
9.15am Morning Prayer

WEEKLY EVENTS

*Weekly events do not
happen on a bank
holiday.*

Monday

10.00am Coffee Morning
Breakspear Room

Friday

2.00pm Craft and
Conversation
Breakspear Room

OTHER EVENTS

Saturday 1st

9.30am Churchyard
Working Party
St Lawrence Church

Wednesday 5th

10.00am Bedmond
Coffee Morning
Tin Church

2.00pm Compassionate
Café
Breakspear Room

Sunday 9th

11.00am St Lawrence
Patronal Day Service and
BBQ to follow
St Lawrence Church

Wednesday 12th

12.00pm Mothers' Union
Picnic
St Lawrence Church

Sunday 16th

1.00pm Sunday Lunch
St Lawrence Church Hall

SAVE THE DATE



19th September

7.00pm Stratosfrère
Concert
St Lawrence Church

26th September

Parish Quiet Day:
Reading the Bible
10.00am–3.30pm
Led by Peter and Lizzie
Venue TBC

3rd October

Friends of St Lawrence
Quiz Night
Details to follow

30th October

7.30pm Elsa Jean
McTaggart Concert
St Lawrence Church



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Messy Church



We had a fun afternoon at our July Messy Church and our last MC before the summer holidays.

We continued with the second half of the Lord's Prayer and the children worked on their prayer books to take home. When they had finished, each child received a small end of term treat! As always one of the most popular crafts was the food craft. We made cut out hands from rolled icing to represent God's hands protecting us from evil and jelly babies to represent us! We also made maracas which we put to good noisy use in the worship

session at the end of the afternoon. Our afternoon finished with our usual end of term Messy Church party tea!

There will not be an August Messy Church during the holidays and we will meet again in September in the Methodist Church as usual. Please put the date in your diaries for our September meeting.

Next Messy Church:
9th September 3.30pm–5.45pm
Methodist Church, Abbots Langley

We wish all our Messy Church Families a wonderful summer holiday and look forward to seeing you all in September.

Wendy Meldrum



Friends of St Lawrence

During July as part of the Abbots Langley Festival the Friends of St Lawrence were involved in two events. The first of these was the wedding dress display and tours of the church over the weekend of 4th and 5th July. We were able to borrow five marriage registers and one baptism register from the Hertfordshire Archives and Local Studies office. Visitors loved seeing their own entries in the registers and many young people were excited to see for the first time their own entry in the baptism register. Thank you to all those who lent us their wedding dress, christening gowns and other accessories to make such an impressive display. Many stories were shared over the two days. We are also deeply grateful to Katherine Sanders who arrange for all the mannequins to be borrowed from the Royal School of Needlework at Hampton Court and to Chris Sanders who collected and returned them for us. We would also like to thank the bell ringers for opening up the tower on the Sunday to allow people to go and see the bells and understand a bit about bell ringing.

Tours of the church were also on offer and people were especially interested to learn about the many layout changes that had occurred to St Lawrence over the centuries. We did not sell tickets for this event but there was an opportunity to make a donation to the Friends if people felt able to do so. Over the weekend, we collected £622, which will increase in value with eligible Gift Aid donations adding a further 25%. Thank you to all those who supported this event by visiting the church or by helping to make it happen.

It was because of the interest in the various layout changes of the church that we decide to also provide information on this at the Archive Day held by Abbots Langley History Society in the Methodist church hall on Saturday 11th July. We also had on display the Poor Box carved by a local person Nellie Falconer as this particular item has not been on show to the wider public before. If space allows we will let you know a bit more about this item in future Outlooks.

These are the dates for your diary for our next events: Quiz – 3 Oct; Christmas Coffee Morning – 28 Nov; Hot Chocolate at the Parish Council Light Switch-On – 3 Dec; Wreath Festival – 19 –20 Dec. We hope to see you there!

Carol Higgs



Churchyard in August: Caring for God's Acre



Caring for God's Acre was established in 2000 as a national charity, promoting the conservation of burial sites and supporting the people who look after and maintain them. Caring for God's acre is what I believe I am doing when I help to maintain our graveyard.

Even though I walk through part of the graveyard every day, it is interesting that some things are hidden in plain sight and you just walk past them and not notice them. Last month I was walking past a grave that caught my eye and it then made me notice other graves that I thought had wonderful details on them. I also looked up the thinking behind some of the symbols on graves. Many gravestones have flowers on them like the one that initially caught my eye. Stone flowers bloom eternally on monuments across the graveyard. Roses, lilies, forget-me-nots and lily of the valley reflect the Victorian craze for 'floriography', also known as the Language of Flowers. Floriography was first introduced to Britain in 1718 by Lady Mary Wortley Montagu following a trip to Constantinople. Over a century later, in the strict etiquette of Victorian society, floriography flourished, offering a clandestine way for people to communicate their true feelings to each other.

These pictures are all taken of graves in our churchyard. In the language of flowers roses stand for love, beauty, virtue, and grace. A bud represents someone who died young (before full bloom) and often you'll see roses paired with groupings of three leaves to represent the Holy Trinity. Lilies represents purity, innocence, and the

restoration of the soul at death.

Combined with Christian motifs, it reassures the living that the departed has been freed from worldly burdens and returned to a state of spiritual cleanliness.

Ivy—the evergreen leaves symbolising immortality and everlasting life.

A dove represents peace and the Holy Spirit. Clapsed Hands represent the hands of a couple, their everlasting bond and their



hope of being reunited in heaven. An open book on a grave usually symbolizes the Bible, the "Book of Life," or the deceased person's devotion to their faith. A Cross, of which there are many different styles, symbolise Christian faith, a belief in salvation, sacrifice, and the hope of resurrection to eternal life. And, of course, the Commonwealth war graves with no hidden meaning and always including the regimental badge.

Carol Higgs

Parish People



Whitney Johnson was born in Perth, Australia and was the middle child of five. Her father ran an advertising and display company but was also a professional landscape painter having studied art at university. Her mother was a Montessori teacher in Australia who was later appointed Professor of Education at the University of Wisconsin. She went on to establish a master's and doctoral programme in Montessori Education at UW, with the doctoral programme being the first of its kind in the world. She is now mostly retired but continues to mentor and lecture.

Whitney grew up in Perth, attending a Catholic Secondary School. When she reached Year 9 the family moved to the USA (Cincinnati, Ohio) for a year while her mother pursued a Master's degree in Montessori Education. While there Whitney went to a Catholic all-girls school in Kentucky before moving back to Australia to finish high school. She then went to Notre Dame University in Fremantle studying for a Bachelor of Commerce degree and a Bachelor of Communication in Marketing. As part of her studies, she spent a semester in Washington, D.C., studying at the

Catholic University of America. To earn money while in the US, she interned at a public relations firm, worked for the US Postal Service, and spent the summer working in restaurants in Annapolis, MD.

She planned to take a break from studying for the second semester to backpack around the US with four Australian friends. Their trip took an unexpected turn when they were on a subway train as the 9/11 terrorist attacks unfolded. Whitney remembers seeing people covered in dust as they fled the area. Unable to use public transport, they walked across much of Manhattan to return to their accommodation. Although three of her friends decided to return to Australia early, Whitney continued travelling for several more months before returning to Australia to finish her degree.

Shortly after she returned, her parents and two younger siblings relocated to Wisconsin. Apart from one brother in Australia (who was about to move to China), the rest of her family were now in the USA. Whitney returned to Washington D.C. after graduation, living with an old school friend from Kentucky, and started work at the Cato Institute as a receptionist. She was quickly promoted to Associate Director of Publications and then gained permission to work remotely from Boston. She was accepted onto a Master's programme in Interior Architecture in Boston but completed only the first year of the five-year course. While there, she met her English husband, Edward, who was on a three-year secondment with PwC.

They moved back to the UK in 2008 and lived in Rickmansworth. They got

married in the USA in 2009 in her parents' garden in Wisconsin. Ninety people from all over the world flew in for the wedding. Returning to England they bought their first house in West Watford. Whitney was still working remotely for the Cato Institute and did this for 13 years, only resigning when her second child was due.

They moved to their present house in Abbots Langley in 2015. Whitney then got a job with Albetta, a firm in Piccotts End, which handled the fulfilment of UK orders for children's clothing and handmade toys produced in Vietnam for an English company. Unfortunately, after Brexit the company changed its UK business model, and Whitney's final day at Albetta coincided with the day before the first Covid lockdown. On that same day, she also discovered she was pregnant with her third child.

Whitney returned to work last year, after her youngest child started school, as an

assistant property manager for Jane O'Brien Properties and as an administrator for Boss Motor Company in Chesham. She continues to do contract work for both businesses, including managing the car dealership's eBay store for used wheels and tyres, which has become very successful. Whitney was approached about helping in the Parish Office and when the position of Parish Administrator became vacant, she applied and was successful.

Whitney says that at the moment she has very little time for any hobbies with three children attending three different schools, but her interests are in interior design and fashion—she has also completed a year's course in millinery at the London College of Fashion. Sadly, she feels that no one really wears hats anymore!

Whitney is now looking forward to using her many skills in her new role as Parish Administrator and we wish her well.

Brenda Southorn

From the Parish Registers July 2026

Christening
Sonny Lyons

Weddings
Lindsey Silvester and Robert Waller
Alex Bowell and Victoria Calaby

Funerals
Kim Smith
John Littler



From the Vicar

Last month I introduced the ‘S’ wheel: a visual way of thinking about the vital ingredients in the spiritual life. At the centre of the wheel is *worship*—that is, the fundamental human instinct to aim our lives beyond ourselves, to give ourselves wholly, without reserve, without restraint. How to make sure that powerful urge is well-aimed, that our worship is rightly ordered? This is where the wheel comes in: by shaping our worship through a whole range of other practices and habits. The nine ‘S’s: sacraments, service, sorrow, supplication (a bit of a stretch, but it simply means ‘asking’), scripture, sabbath, stillness, society and sharing.

The glory of the wheel is that there’s no hierarchy to it. It’s not suggesting that any of these elements are more vital to good worship than the others, let alone trying to rank them in precise order. Different ‘S’s might loom more or less large according to our personalities, or the different seasons of our lives. If one was to be entirely missing, the wheel would still turn but travel might be a bit on the bumpy side—and if many of them were missing, it would all fall apart.

Last month I set a challenge: what’s really essential to our spiritual life, and *not* on the wheel, and (preferably) also starts with the letter ‘S’? Quick as flash, the answer came back (hurrah! Someone reads the articles): ‘silence’.

It was a very good response. The Christian tradition (and indeed, many others) is indeed very keen on silence. Whole movements, like the contemplative orders or the Quakers are rooted in the practice of silence. Shutting up, and shutting out the endless chatter and noise of our world is indeed basic to spiritual health.

However, there was a good-ish reason for *not* putting it on the wheel. On occasion when I’ve spoken about the importance of silence, people have come back to me to say they find it literally unbearable. Their brains, their hearts, just cannot cope with silence: they become anxious, frightened, full of inner clamour. Now, perhaps all this shows how desperately they really *need* silence: just because something is uncomfortable does not mean it won’t save you. However, I think it’s also possible that maybe *silence* is not quite what’s really needed. Rather, the great need is for *stillness*.

The difference, fairly obviously, is that one can be perfectly still—mentally and physically—and yet not be in silence. If gentle music or rhythm is what you need for the inner noise to subside, then for goodness sake (literally) do not idolise silence. What matters is not the utter absence of external sound, but the stilling of our internal voices and dramas and confusions. The mind and heart at rest, open, receptive—not trying to accomplish anything, or to figure



something out, or getting distracted by many things: just *being*.

Stillness matters because we believe in a God who wants to speak with us, who wants to share his life with us.

Generally, he does not shout. If you're going to hear him, then the background noise in your heart and mind needs to subside—needs to be put, for a little while every single day, firmly in the background. This is God's time, you say to yourself. God, be at work in me. And as a little gesture of faith that He is at work, perhaps far below the level of your consciousness, you hold the conscious part of your mind open for him. Which means, insofar as you can, you don't let it fill up with your usual internal chatter.

Physical stillness is a help to this. If you find yourself shifting position and fidgeting often during prayer, it's a good sign that all is not quite right—a distracted body and mind go together. Yet it can also be good to have some limited kind of physical activity going on, such as passing a chain of beads through your fingers. Anglicans may not all be very keen on practices such

as the Rosary, but the Catholics are onto something with the idea of 'telling your beads'—that simple, repetitive physical action actually helps the brain to be still. As indeed does another very simple, repetitive, left-right, left-right movement: walking. Not necessarily to get somewhere, and definitely not in a hurry—but that simple business of one foot in front of the other can be conducive to deep inner stillness.

I said at the beginning that there was no hierarchy to the 'S' wheel, and that's true . . . and I can imagine myself finishing nearly all of these articles with a similar sentiment to what follows! But in the case of stillness especially, it is simply hard to imagine a full Christian life—really, a full *human* life—in which this discipline didn't feature prominently. What form does it take in *your* life?

Notice Re: Quiet Day

How many times have you been told to read the Bible more? Or have you actually resolved to read it more? But it can be hard. This year's Parish Quiet Day, on Saturday 26th September (10am–3.30pm), could prove a real help! Our way in will be through the story of Jesus feeding the 5,000. Peter and Lizzie will look (among other things) at why the four Gospels have slightly (in John's case, dramatically) different takes on what happened; at how the Old and New Testaments illuminate each other; at the question of miracles; and at different ways of using the Bible in prayer. Previous Quiet Days have proved wonderfully rich for those who have come—please get the date in your diary now! Venue TBC.

Peter

Malawi Project

The Birmingham Diocese have confirmed that they will definitely be sending a **container** to Malawi this year which is good news since they didn't send one last year due to the transport and customs difficulties that they had been encountering. The not so positive news is that we don't have a definite date . . . the organiser has said that the container will go either in late September or early October. We will therefore work towards the late September date . . . just in case we get caught out! We will start collecting in earnest in early September for the following items . . .

For the hospital:

- Children's /toddlers/babies clothes and knitted wear. *Many of you have been knitting and collecting items for us during the year, so if you have these stored in your homes, please let us know so we can arrange collection.*
- Bed sheets
- Blood Pressure machines
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- **PPE masks and gloves**
- Equipment for physiotherapy: **wheelchairs** and crutches
- Reels of cotton thread and fabric for the tailoring school and materials for making reusable sanitary ware
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For the community:

- Footballs and netballs for the Community Based Organisations' youth groups

For the nurseries:

- Appropriate books and learning materials (please contact for advice)
- Chalk

For the Secondary School

- Stationery, Maths equipment (calculators, rulers, compasses, protractors etc.)
- Sturdy footballs and netballs (deflated!!) plus pumps
- English novels, English grammar text books. Good News Bibles
- **Chalk** for blackboards

Please make sure the items you are giving are in good repair and of good quality.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Stratosfrère Concert

**Saturday 19th September at 7.00pm
St Lawrence Church**

We welcome back this amazing cover band for another excellent evening of music. They also write their own songs and play covering music from the 70s. There will be light refreshments. Come along and support.

Elsa Jean McTaggart: Singer, song writer and musician from Lewis in the Outer Hebrides. Elsa will be performing in **St Lawrence Church on Friday 30th October at 7.30pm** in aid of the Malawi Project Fund. This will be her 6th visit to Abbots Langley village. There will be light refreshments available on the night. **Please put both these dates in your diaries and there will be further details in next month's edition of Outlook.**

Wendy Meldrum

It's Your Move with Watford Schools Trust



The summer holidays are now upon us for many of our young people. Some are waiting for exam results and others know that they are leaving their primary school and moving on to secondary school. Some young people will take this move in their stride and for others it is a daunting prospect. But whoever you are it helps if you can spend a bit of time thinking about this change, thinking what might be different, how you might cope with the change and what you can do to be prepared for it. In order to support year 6 pupils in our local schools our PCC has paid for the booklet called 'It's Your Move' to be taken into schools and given to each year 6 pupil. Along with the booklets, one of the team from Watford Schools Trust took a lesson for the year 6 students to help them work

through the booklet. This year Zoë Yau was one of the students at Abbots Langley that benefitted. When asked for her feedback she said, "It's very good, it's covered everything I could possibly think of." She particularly liked the interactive nature of the lesson. We wish Zoë and others all the best at the start of this new part of their educational journey.

Carol Higgs

STRATOSFRÈRE

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to Canada. We had an interesting conversation with them, talking about the church and the area including Bedmond, where they thought their grandmother was from. Always good to have conversations with visitors to the church. We did then begin to talk about gathering prayers to produce a branch prayerbook, which had been our planned task for the morning!

At our July meeting we were sitting in church as it was too hot for the Breakspear Room, when two sisters from Canada came into the church. They were visiting the area as their grandmother had met and married, in St Lawrence, one of the men of the Canadian Forces who was being repatriated from Leavesden Base Hospital towards the end of the Second World War. She had then followed him

Our meeting in August, Wednesday 12th, we shall meet at 12.00noon for Communion then stay for a lunch together, either in the Breakspear Room or in the churchyard—depending on the weather. Please bring a packed lunch—drinks will be provided. All are welcome.

Pam Rastall
pamrastall@live.co.uk

Bedmond Bells Women's Institute

On a rather warm evening in July, we had an interesting talk from Chris Truran about 'The Crime Scene'. Although this sounds like a grim topic, he made the talk lively and amusing, and it generated quite a few questions at the end.

Our next event will be a visit to Hitchin Lavender Farm—more about this next month—and we are looking forward to our summer Garden Party in August. This event will be for members only. Let's hope the weather holds but stays temperate for us.

We held another very successful Afternoon Tea earlier in July in the Tin Church. It was well attended, everyone seemed to enjoy the food and company,

and a pleasant afternoon was had by all. We will be planning a further event in September. It will either be a soup and roll lunch or an afternoon tea—more details next month.

Our Craft Group is taking a break for July and August, but we will resume meeting in September—every Friday morning from 10 to 12 in the Tin Church. Do come along for a social morning of chat and activity—everyone is welcome.

For more information on any of our activities, our contact details are below.
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Meetings are held in Bedmond Village Hall at 7.30pm on the 2nd Friday of each month except August.

Moira Bunting

A Rocha UK's Easy Eco Tips

Looking after wildlife in the heat. Times of drought and dryness can be dangerous for wildlife. Provide water for birds and insects—put a dish of water out to help wildlife stay hydrated. Insects, small mammals, birds, and even badgers, foxes, and deer could benefit. A stone in a plant saucer helps bees to perch and drink without drowning. These small actions make a big difference and are just some of the ways we can live out our calling to care for God's creation. See our blog on looking after wildlife in the heat for more warm weather eco tips: arocha.org.uk/looking-afterwildlife-in-the-heat/.

For more eco tips visit:
arocha.org.uk/wild-christian



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Elsa Jean McTaggart

With Gary Lister

30th October
St Lawrence Church
SAVE THE DATE



**Raising funds for the
Malawi project**



St Lawrence's Junior Choir

Rehearsing Wednesdays 6.30-7.15pm

During term time

We're a fun and friendly choir who sing a big range of music, with the opportunity to perform an anthem (or two) every month in church.

Rehearsals include musical games which help improve rhythm & communication skills, learning songs for our 2nd Sunday services, and working on choral classics to sing with the adult choir at major events.

We finish each term with a pizza party to say thank you for all their help in services, and to help everyone get to know each other even better.

No need for any previous musical experience, age KS2 & 3

And it's all free!

Our Director of Music, Marianne Chapman, has worked with young people at many well-known music/performance groups including Stagecoach and Mini Mozart. She is a Cambridge music graduate and previous choral scholar.

For more information, please contact Marianne at

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FRIENDS OF ST LAWRENCE



SATURDAY 3rd OCTOBER
ST LAWRENCE CHURCH HALL
7PM

**Tables of 8: you can join a table on the night or
make up your own team. Price TBC.**

**There will be a two-course supper included
and BYO drinks.**

Please contact wendymeldrum@gmail.com

**to book a place or
Church Office
on 01923 261795**





St Lawrence Day 9th August

Join us for a special service at 11.00am
followed by BBQ



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