

THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

4th January 2026

THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY



TODAY

- 8.00am** Eucharist @ St. Lawrence
President & Preacher: Revd. Helen Neville
Reader: Hilary Causer
- 9.30am** Eucharist @ St. Lawrence
President & Preacher: Revd. Helen Neville
Reader: Wendy Meldrum
Intercessions: Tom Betteridge
- 11.30am** Eucharist @ Tin Church
President & Preacher: Revd Helen Neville
Reader: Ann Bolitho-Jones
- 5.00pm** Evening Prayer@St.. Lawrence

Readings:

Isaiah 60:1-6
Psalm 147:13-21
Ephesians 3:1-12
Matthew 2:1-12

Hymns:

89: O Worship the Lord
Psalm 72:[1-9]10-15
91: We three Kings
55: In the bleak midwinter
84: Brightest and Best

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-aid users.



Refreshments will be served in the hall after the 9.30am service



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THE PRAYERS AND BIBLE READINGS

COLLECT: O Lord, who by the leading of a star, manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
one God, now and for ever.

POST COMMUNION: Lord God, the bright splendour whom the nations seek, may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light, discern the glory of your presence in your Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PSALM 147:13-21



Sing praise to the Lord, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

Response: Sing praise to the Lord, O Jerusalem.

13 Sing praise to the Lord O Jerusalem;
praise your God O Zion;
14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates
and has blest your children within you.

Response:

15 He has established peace in your borders
and satisfies you with the finest wheat.
16 He sends forth his command to the earth and his word runs very swiftly.
17 He gives snow like wool and scatters the hoarfrost like ashes.

Response:

18 He casts down his hailstones like morsels of bread;
who can endure his frost?
19 He sends forth his word and melts them;
he blows with his wind and the waters flow.

Response:

20 He declares his word to Jacob,
his statutes and judgements to Israel.
21 He has not dealt so with any other nation;
they do not know his laws.

Response:

FOR OUR PRAYERS

- For our schools as term starts
- For those suffering in the cold
- For the people of Venezuela
- For the parish of St Michael and all Angels

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

Chris Ballard; Christopher Seabrook;
Sandra Clarke; Wendy Ball; Julie Marsden; Bernard Eamer; Libby Davis;
Pat Stuart; Ella, Adam, Beau, Rudy, Nova.

FOR THE DEPARTED

Brenda Redfearn

NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 11th January 2026

The Baptism of Christ

- 8.00am Eucharist at St Lawrence Church
- 9.30am Eucharist at St Lawrence Church
- 5.00pm Choral Evensong

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Isaiah 42:1-9
Acts 10:34-43
Matthew 3:13-end

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 5th Jan

10.00am Coffee Morning
Breakspeare Room

7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice
St Lawrence Church

Tuesday 6th Jan

10.30am Tiny Tots
St. Lawrence Church

Wednesday 7th Jan

12.00 Eucharist
St. Lawrence Church

2.00pm Compassionate Café
The Breakspeare Room

6.30pm Junior Choir Rehearsal

8pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday 9th Jan

10.00am Bedmond Bells WI Craft and Chat
The Tin Church

2.00pm Craft and Conversation
The Breakspeare Room

Friends and Faith will resume at 8pm on Thursday 22nd January

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

Rev. Peter Waddell is taking the 1030 service at St. John's Aldenham this morning.

There is be no Coffee Morning at The Tin Church on Wednesday this week. The next one will be on Wednesday 4th February 10am - 12pm.

The items most needed by the Foodbank are: Cereals, milk (long life), fruit juice (long life), tinned fruit, tinned meat, tinned fish, tinned tomatoes, tinned vegetables, rice pudding, custard, jam, tea / coffee, mashed potato, pasta, pasta sauces, biscuits / snack bars. **Please make sure that all donations are unopened and are within the use by date. Items can be left at the collection point at the**

back of church, or in the dedicated basket at Sweeneys. Thank you.

Malawi Sing a Long We are delighted to welcome back this very popular event! Come and join us for a ...

**JUNGLE BOOK
SING A LONG ON
SATURDAY
JANUARY 31st
ST LAWRENCE
CHURCH HALL, 6pm**

This will be a fun evening singing along to the popular and well known musical. See Wendy Meldrum for details and book your ticket £7.00pp. There will be light refreshments and BYO drink. Contact: wendymeldrum@gmail.com or Church Office on 01923 261795.



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please contact Peter or Helen directly.***