

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 or scan the QR code. 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

The Church Office will be **closed until 15th August**. During this period, emails and phone messages will be monitored, but responses may be delayed.

Volunteers Needed: If anyone is willing to provide a lift to church, either occasionally or on a regular basis, please contact Whitney at the church office.

Save the Date: Parish Quiet Day will be on Saturday 26th September between 10.00am and 3.30pm. Peter and Lizzie will be leading a day on how to read the bible.

Chris Ballard's funeral is on Thursday 20th August at 10.00am in the Church of the Ascension.

The **Church of the Ascension August Coffee Morning** raised **£115** for the Save the Lychgate Appeal. Many thanks to all who helped and attended the event.

Tin Church Fete on Saturday 12th September between 1.00 and 4.00pm. Refreshments, homemade cakes & produce, bric-a-brac, books, raffle, tombola.

A container to Malawi will leave at the end of September - please see August Outlook for items required.

Stratosfrere Concert in aid of Malawi funds: Saturday 19th September in St Lawrence Church at 7.00pm. Local band who write their own songs and play covering music from the 70s. There will be light refreshments. Please come along to support.

SAVE THE LYCHGATE



Our historic lychgate has stood at the entrance to St Lawrence Church for over 120 years and now needs essential restoration. We are seeking to raise **£15,000** to preserve this cherished landmark for future generations.

Please support our appeal - every donation is greatly appreciated.
PLEASE DONATE WHATEVER YOU CAN USING THE QR CODE OR THE DONATE PAGE ON OUR WEBSITE.

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Church Office Opening Times:
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Fri (Closed Wednesdays)



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

THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

9th August 2026

THE FEAST OF ST. LAWRENCE



TODAY		WELCOME
8.00am	Eucharist at St Lawrence Church	Welcome to our worship today, especially to visitors and newcomers! Do please make yourself known.
President & Preacher:	Revd Peter Waddell	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.
Reader:	David Staines	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.
11.00am	Eucharist at St Lawrence Church	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.
President & Preacher:	Revd Peter Waddell	For those unable to attend church due to medical reasons, we will be delighted to bring communion to you at home: please do ask!
Readers:	Norman Meldrum Julia Day	A T-loop is provided for hearing-aid users.
Intercessions:	Dan Chapman	
Readings:	Isaiah 43.1-7 (P. 682) Romans 8.35-end (P. 154) Matthew 10.16-22 (P. 10)	
Hymns:	Lawrence, true and noble martyr (<i>in the order of service</i>) Psalm 84 (<i>see over</i>) 500 Lift up your hearts 603 Thou hidden source of calm repose (<i>2nd tune</i>) 398 Christ triumphant, ever reigning	
5.00pm	Evening Prayer	

A BBQ will follow the 11.00am service



Due to hot weather - we shall be in the hall

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THE PRAYERS AND BIBLE READINGS

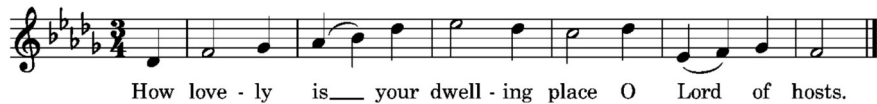
COLLECT:

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.

POST COMMUNION:

God our redeemer, whose Church was strengthened by the blood of your martyr Lawrence: so bind 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.

Psalm 84 Response



PSALM 84

Response: *How lovely is your dwelling place O Lord of hosts.*

1 How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts! My soul has a desire and longing to enter the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

Response

2 The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: at your altars O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Response

3 Blessed are they who dwell in your house: they will always be praising you.

4 Blessed are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion,

Response

5 Who going through the barren valley find there a spring, and the early rains will clothe it with blessing.

6 They will go from strength to strength and appear before God in Zion.

Response

7 O Lord God of hosts hear my prayer; listen O God of Jacob.

8 Behold our defender O God, and look upon the face of your anointed.

9 For one day in your courts is better than a

10 I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

Response

11 For the Lord God is both sun and shield; he will give grace and glory; no good thing shall the Lord withhold from those who walk with integrity.

12 O Lord God of hosts blessed are those who put their trust in you.

Response

ANTHEM

The Church triumphant in thy love,
Their mighty joys we know;
They sing the Lamb in hymns above,
and we in hymns below.

Thee in thy glorious realm they praise,
And bow before thy throne;
We in the kingdom of thy grace,
The Kingdoms are but one.

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Their mighty joys we know;
They sing the Lamb in hymns above,
and we in hymns below.

Richard Shephard

FOR OUR PRAYERS

- The parish of St Luke's, Watford
- Those exploring faith
- Our local hospices
- The courts and criminal justice system

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

Christopher Seabrook; Bernard Eamer;
Clive Moon; Sophie Bellamy; Pamela Cotton; Lesley Cummings

FOR THE DEPARTED

Chris Ballard; Yvonne Butler

NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 16th August 2026
11th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Eucharist at St Lawrence Church

9.30am Eucharist at St Lawrence Church

11.30am Eucharist at The Church of the Ascension (Tin Church)

1.00pm Sunday Lunch at St Lawrence Church Hall

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Isaiah 56.1, 6-8 (P. 696)
Psalm 67 (P. 540)
Romans 11.1-2, 29-32 (P. 156)
Matthew 15.10-20 (P. 16)

LYCHGATE APPEAL

The Lychgate Appeal is well underway, and so far we have raised **£11,324**. Thank you to everyone for your support.

THE COMING WEEK

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

Monday 10th August

10.00am Coffee Morning
Breakspear Room

7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice
St Lawrence Church

Tuesday 11th August

Wednesday 12th August

12.00pm Eucharist
St Lawrence Church

12.00pm Mothers' Union
Communion and Picnic
St Lawrence Church

Thursday 13th August

Friday 14th August

2.00pm Craft and Conversation
Breakspear Room

Saturday 15th August

11.00am Christening of Albie Watson
St Lawrence Church

1.00pm Christening of Stanley Atkinson
St Lawrence Church

AVAILABILITY

Peter is off on Monday.