

# THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

11th June 2023

BARNABAS THE APOSTLE



## TODAY

**8.00am** Eucharist at St Lawrence Church

**President & Preacher:** Revd. Peter Waddell

**Reader:** David Staines

**9.30am** Second Sunday Service at St Lawrence Church

**President & Preacher:** Revd. Peter Waddell

**11.30am** Eucharist at the Church of the Ascension

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**Reader:** Linda Ball

**Readings:**  
(Job 29 11-16) (p475)  
Acts 11 19-end (p127)  
John 15 12-17 (p106)

## Hymns at The Church of the Ascension

543 O praise ye the Lord  
174 Breathe on me breath of God  
516 Love divine, all loves excelling  
530 Now thank we all our God

**6.30pm** CTAL Songs of Praise

## WELCOME

Welcome to our worship today, especially to visitors and newcomers - please introduce yourself if you are new or a visitor.

If you usually receive communion in your own church, please do so here. If not, you are very welcome to receive a blessing. Please tell a welcomer before the service if you would like a gluten-free wafer. There is no obligation to receive the wine if this causes anxiety.



**Seekers** - This group for primary school aged children meets during the service every week, except at our all-age service, which is on the second Sunday of each month. Everyone welcome, please ask a welcomer for details.

Our service is livestreamed on Facebook and [thesundayservice.org](https://www.thesundayservice.org). Welcome to all those taking part from home: if you would like an order of service to follow please contact the parish office. 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 Church Hall after the 9.30am Service.**



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## THE PRAYERS AND BIBLE READINGS

### COLLECT:

Bountiful God, giver of all gifts, who poured your Spirit upon your servant Barnabas and gave him grace to encourage others: help us, by his example, to be generous in our judgements and unselfish in our 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.

### READINGS:

(Job 29 11-16) (p475)

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### BIBLE NOTES:

‘I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last.’ (Jn.15:16). Barnabas bore great fruit, earning the name ‘son of encouragement’ for the way in which he filled those around him with confidence and hope. In what ways are we as a community fruitful, and how about you as an individual? How do you contribute to the growth of what God wants on earth – his harvest of love and justice and peace? What are the times in your life when you think you have been especially fruitful, and what might they suggest about what you are called to now?

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Barnabas the Apostle

### 11 June

Though not named among the twelve apostles of the evangelists, Barnabas emerges in the Acts of the Apostles as one of the most significant of their number. He sold his estate and gave the proceeds to the Church, since all things were to be held in common, and clearly became a leader. He is described as a Levite from Cyprus so, like his friend Paul, was from the Greek world rather than that of Palestine, and he introduced Paul to the leaders of the Church in Jerusalem. He was sent to Antioch apparently to guide the Christians there in their relations with non-Jewish converts, promoting the concept of all being one in Christ. He broke with Paul to go to Cyprus and tradition has it that he was martyred there in the year 61.



## FOR OUR PRAYERS

- For the family and friends of Linda Boyle
- For all who are sick in body, mind or spirit
- For those in the midst of famine or disaster
- For victims of abuse and violence, intolerance or prejudice
- For those who are bereaved
- For Soul Survivor Church, Watford

### FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

Chris Ballard; Judy Hill; David Southorn;  
James Mote; Nancy DeMaranville;  
Sandra McIntosh

### FOR THE DEPARTED

Linda Boyle

## NEXT SUNDAY

**18th June 2023**

### The Second Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am Eucharist at St. Lawrence
- 9.30am Eucharist at St. Lawrence
- 11.30am Eucharist at The Church of the Ascension
- 5.00pm Evening Prayer

## READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Genesis 18: 1 - 15 (21: 1 - 7) (P. 14)  
Exodus 19: 2 - 8a (P. 67)  
Romans 5: 1 - 8 (P. 151)  
Matthew 9: 35 - 10.8 (9 - 23) (P. 9)

## AVAILABILITY

Peter's day off is Saturday.

## THE COMING WEEK

### Monday - Saturday, 9.15am

Morning Prayer

*In the Corpus Christi Chapel*

### Monday 12th June

10.00am Coffee Morning

*Breakspear Room*

1.45pm Tiny Tots

*Breakspear Room*

7.30pm Bell ringing Practice

*St Lawrence Church*

### Wednesday 14th June

11.00am Mothers' union

*Breakspear Room*

11.15am Contemplative Prayer

*In the Corpus Christi Chapel*

12.00pm Eucharist

*St Lawrence Church*

3.30pm Messy Church

*Methodist Church*

8.00pm Choir Rehearsal

*St Lawrence Church*

### Thursday 15th June

8.00pm Pilgrim Course

*Breakspear Room*

12.30pm Burial of Ashes of Keith Cavendish-  
Coulson

*Garden of Remembrance*

### Friday 16th June

10.00am Bedmond Bells Craft and Chat

*The Church of the Ascension*

12.30pm Funeral of Linda Boyle

*St Lawrence Church*

2.00pm Craft and Conversation

*Breakspear Room*

6.15pm Youth Choir

*St Lawrence Church*

### Saturday 17th June

4.45pm Seekers Father's Day Baking

*Church Hall*

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.

If you have any prizes for the **Tombola stall at the Fete on 24th June**, please drop them off at the Church office. Thank you.

**Gravetalk** - A café space to talk about death, dying and funerals. Tuesday 27th June 7.30pm, Henderson Hub. To book a free space email: [bereavement.ctal@yahoo.com](mailto:bereavement.ctal@yahoo.com)

**Malawi Container:** We will be packing for the container this week. If you have any items please make sure they are with us by Tuesday 13th June. There is a box at the back of Church for items or contact: Wendy Meldrum

**The Pilgrim Course** - The Eucharist. Starting on Thursday 8th June 8.00pm in the Breakspear room, for 6 weeks. The course explores in greater depth how Christians know and worship

God. Its six sessions reveal the reasons why the Eucharist stands at the very heart of Christian worship. Contact the Church office for more information or to book your place: [adminstlawrence@abbotslangley.org.uk](mailto:adminstlawrence@abbotslangley.org.uk)

### **Church Fete—24th June 12 noon– 3pm**

Please can you sign up to help at the Church Fete. The flip chart is at the back of church or offers of help to Carol [churchwarden1@abbotslangley.org.uk](mailto:churchwarden1@abbotslangley.org.uk) 0779 190 1750

**Friends' Fish & Chip Supper:** Many thanks to everyone who supported last week's Fish & Chip Supper & Entertainment. The evening raised a fantastic £713, including a heavy £178 in coins in the collection buckets. This will be used to help maintain and improve our Church building. We hope you enjoyed the evening as much as we did.

**Traidcraft Residual Stock:** Many of you are aware that very sadly Traidcraft ceased trading at the start of this year. Norman Meldrum has two 340g (largish) jars of marmalade available at £2.90 each and 11 pairs of rubber gloves at £1.50 each. Wendy thinks the gloves would be an ideal Fathers' Day present! Please continue to look for the Fairtrade sign when buying in the shops.

### **Messy Church: This Wednesday 14th**

**June:** 3.30 - 5.45pm at the Methodist Church. Worship, crafts and Messy Tea ... free, donations welcome. Do come along and join us. All welcome!

**Malawi Sponsored Swim:** Wendy Meldrum is doing a sponsored swim for Malawi. 10th - 16th July. Sponsor forms at the back of Church ... please support by sponsoring this swimming challenge!

## **CONTACT NUMBERS**

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### **Reader:**

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