

THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

9th June 2024

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



TODAY

8.00am Eucharist at
St Lawrence Church

President & Preacher: Revd. Peter Waddell

Reader: Tom Betteridge

9.30am Second Sunday Service at
St Lawrence Church

President & Preacher: Revd. Peter Waddell

11.30am Bible Brunch at the Church
of the Ascension

Leader: Revd. Peter Waddell

Readings:

(1 Samuel 8: 4 –20; 11:14-end.) (P. 258)

Genesis 3: 8 - 15 (P. 3)

(2 Corinthians 4: 13 - 5.1) (P. 177)

Mark 3: 20 - end (P. 35)

5.00pm BCP Evening Prayer

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!



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



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COLLECT:

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord.

'FOOD FOR THOUGHT':

Food banks in the Trussell Trust network distributed almost three million parcels in the year to April 2023, the most parcels ever distributed in a single year, and a 37% increase on 2021/22.

One in seven (14%) people across the UK say that they or their household have experienced food insecurity over a 12-month period, equating to an estimated 11.3 million people.

Rates of food insecurity rise to almost one in three (30%) in the most deprived geographical areas of the UK

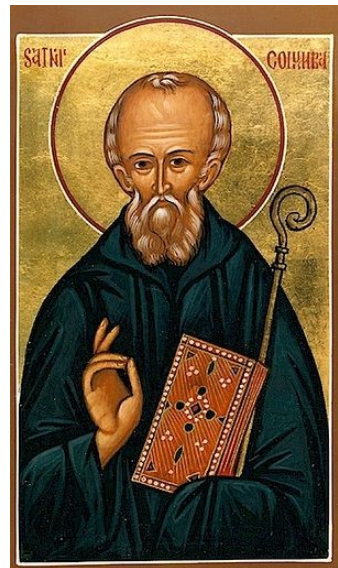
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Source: *Hunger in the UK* (Trussell Trust, 2023). To find out more see: www.trusselltrust.org

Columba of Iona

9 June

Born in Ireland in about the year 521, Columba was trained as a monk by St Finnian and then founded several monasteries himself, including probably that of Kells, before leaving Ireland to settle on Iona, off the coast of Scotland. He was accompanied by twelve companions and the number grew as the monastic life became more established and well-known. Columba seems to have been an austere and, at times, harsh man who reputedly mellowed with age. He was concerned with building up both the monastery and its life and of enabling them to be instruments of mission in a heathen land. He converted kings and built churches, Iona becoming a starting point for the expansion of Christianity throughout Scotland. In the last four years of his life, when his health had failed, he spent the time transcribing books of the gospels for them to be taken out and used. He died on this day in the year 597.



FOR OUR PRAYERS

- For all those standing for election to Parliament
- For the clergy of the diocese as they attend the Swanick conference
- For the members of our junior choir
- For all involved in preparations for the Fete

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

Chris Ballard; Martin Greeves; Jo; Sean Furlong; The Princess of Wales; Stephen Maxted; Liz Brooker; Christopher Seabrook; Marie Hutchins; Brian Higgs; Jenny Mitchell

FOR THE DEPARTED

Joyce Moore; Jack Gentle; Sue Tomson

NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 16th June 2024

The Second 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
- 5.00pm Taizé Service

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

1 Samuel 15: 34, 16: 13 (P. 267)
Ezekiel 17: 22 - end (P. 796)
2 Corinthians 5: 6 - 10 (11 - 13) 14 - 17
(P. 178)
Mark 4: 26 - 34 (P. 37)

AVAILABILITY

Peter and Helen are both at a conference
Monday 10th - Thursday 13th.

THE COMING WEEK

Monday - Saturday, 9.15am

Morning Prayer

In the Corpus Christi Chapel

Monday 10th June

10.00am Coffee Morning

Breakspear Room

1.45pm Tiny Tots

Breakspear Room

7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

St Lawrence Church

Wednesday 12th June

10.00am Chiltern Midweek Bellringers

St Lawrence Church

11.00am Mothers' Union

Breakspear Room

11.15am Contemplative Prayer

In the Corpus Christi Chapel

There will be no Eucharist today

3.30pm Messy Church

Methodist Church

6.30pm Youth Choir

St Lawrence Church

8.00pm Choir Rehearsal

St Lawrence Church

Friday 14th June

10.00am Bedmond Bells Craft and Chat

Church of the Ascension

10.45am Funeral of Joyce Moore

St Lawrence Church

2.00pm Craft and Conversation

Breakspear Room

Saturday 15th June

12.00pm St Lawrence Church Fete

St Lawrence Churchyard

6.00pm Burial of Ashes Robert Lambert

Garden of Remembrance

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: giving@abbotslangley.org.uk. Parish Giving Packs can be collected from St Lawrence Church or from the Church Office.

For those who would like to attend Sue Tomson's funeral will be on 25th June 3pm at Chichester Cathedral. If you are planning to attend please could you email Charlie Tomson ctomson@doctors.org.uk. If you do not have access to email let the office know, who can pass on the message. The family will not be wearing formal funeral dress as they think their Mum would prefer people to wear colourful, comfortable clothes to celebrate a long and happy life.

Memorial Tablets - We are currently in the process of looking into laying memorial tablets around the edge of the Garden of Remembrance. If you have a loved one buried in the Garden of Remembrance and are interested in this memorial option, please contact the Church Office.

Sunday Lunch will be held on 16th June at 1pm in St Lawrence Church Hall.

Church Fete - Saturday 15th June 12.00pm-3.00pm (At the front of St Lawrence Church). COULD WE ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT, PLEASE DONATE ... Cakes, jams or chutney. Plants. These can be brought along on the day from 9.30am onwards or to the office in advance.

Watford Green Festival, June 9 from 11:00am to 4:00pm for the start of this year's South West Herts Great Big Green Week. It takes place in Atria and the Parade in Watford High Street and includes stalls on a wide variety of things to do with sustainability.

DIOCESAN ELECTIONS ARE HAPPENING NOW! Talk to Peter if you would like to be involved in this crucial Diocesan body.

Afternoon Tea - Sunday 23rd June 2024, 3pm - 5pm, St Lawrence Church. Costume Jewellery and antique tea pots for sale. Afternoon tea £8 per person. Contact David or Eileen Adams: David.Adams31@ntlworld.com or 01923 265228 Money raised will go to the Malawi Project.

Guided Tours and Exhibition - Saturday 6th July 10am - 4.30pm and Sunday 7th July 12pm - 4pm, St Lawrence Church. Come and enjoy the beautiful architecture and amazing history or our ancient church which lies at the heart of our village. Join a guided tour (approx. 20 mins) or just look around! Plus an exhibition of Church Marriage Registers and a display of weddings held at St Lawrence's. Tea, coffee and homemade cakes. FREE ENTRY: Donations to St Lawrence welcome.

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