

THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

29th March 2026

PALM SUNDAY



TODAY

8.00am Eucharist at St Lawrence Church

President & Preacher: Revd Lizzie Hood

Reader: Hilary Samson-Barry

9.30am Eucharist at St Lawrence Church

President: Preacher: Revd Peter Waddell
Revd Lizzie Hood

Reader: Kathryn Sanders

Intercessions: Tom Betteridge

Readings:

Philippians 2: 5 - 11 (P. 194)
Psalms: 118: 1 - 2, 19 - end (P. 576)
Matthew 26: 14 - end (P. 28)

Hymns:

129: Ride on, ride on in majesty
494: King of glory, King of peace
128: All glory, laud and honour
112: My song is love unknown
538: O Jesus I have promised

3.30pm The Spark Service at St Lawrence Church

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.



Unfortunately, there will be no refreshments after the 11.30am service today.



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THE PRAYERS AND BIBLE READINGS

COLLECT:

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; 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:

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.

PSALM 118:



Response: This is the day of the Lord, we rejoice and are glad.

O give thanks to the Lord for he is good; his mercy endures for ever.
Let Israel now proclaim 'His mercy endures for ever.'

Response

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

Response

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing and it is marvellous in our eyes.

Response

This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. Come O Lord and save us we pray. Come Lord send us now prosperity.

Response

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;

The Lord is God; he has given us light; link the pilgrims with cords right to the horns of the altar.

Response

28 You are my God and I will thank you; you are my God and I will exalt you.
29 O give thanks to the Lord for he is good; his mercy endures for ever.

Response

ANTHEM:

Ave Verum Corpus
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Ave verum corpus, natum
de Maria Virgine,
vere passum, immolatum
in cruce pro homine
cuius latus perforatum
fluxit aqua et sanguine:
esto nobis praegustatum
in mortis examine.

*Hail, true Body, born
of the Virgin Mary,
having truly suffered, sacrificed
on the cross for mankind,
from whose pierced side
water and blood flowed:
Be for us a sweet foretaste
in the trial of death!*

FOR OUR PRAYERS

- For our new Archbishop
- For all victims of abuse within the church
- For the emergency services
- For all members of Parliament

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

Chris Ballard; Christopher Seabrook;
Sandra Clarke; Bernard Eamer; Clive Moon; Sophie Bellamy

FOR THE DEPARTED

Audrey Woods

NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 5th April 2026

Easter Day

- 6.10am Sunrise Service on Bedmond Playing Fields
- 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)
- 5.00pm BCP Evening Prayer at St Lawrence Church

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Acts 10: 34 - 43 (P. 126)
Colossians 3: 1 - 4 (P. 198)
John 20: 1 - 18 (P. 111)

AVAILABILITY

Peter is on annual leave
Tuesday 7th - Friday 10th

THE COMING WEEK

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

Monday 29th March

10.00am Coffee Morning
Breakspear Room

Wednesday 1st April

Church office is closed

10.00am Coffee Morning
The Tin Church

12.00pm Eucharist
St. Lawrence Church

2.00pm Compassionate Café
Breakspear Room

6.30pm Junior Choir Rehearsal
St Lawrence Church

8.00pm Choir Rehearsal
St Lawrence Church

Thursday 2nd April

8.00pm Maundy Thursday Service
St Lawrence Church

Friday 3rd April

10.00am Walk of Witness
St Paul's Church, Langleybury

2.00pm An Hour at the Cross
St Lawrence Church

Saturday 4th April

9.30am Churchyard Working Party (CWP)
St Lawrence Churchyard

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.paritygiving.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

Maundy Thursday, 2nd April - there will be a service at 8pm in St Lawrence Church. Vigil until midnight. All are warmly welcome.

Good Friday Walk of Witness - meet at St Paul's Church, Langleybury at 10am. All are warmly welcome.

Easter Day Services Sunday 5th April - Sunrise Service at 6:10am on Bedmond Playing Fields. 8.00am and 9:30am services at St Lawrence Church, and 11:30am at The Church of the Ascension (Tin Church). All are warmly welcome.

Easter Monday Pilgrimage to St

Albans: Leave church hall car park at 11am. Breakfast available at 10am, after 9:30am Communion in St Lawrence - please sign the sheet at the back of church by 2 April. We expect to reach St Albans Abbey at 1pm - you are welcome to meet us there. Bring a packed lunch for the Abbey Orchard. We will process into the Abbey at 2:30pm for the 3pm service. The Church of the Ascension, Bedmond will be open 11am–2pm for refreshments for those walking from elsewhere.

The Foodbank would really appreciate donations of toiletries, especially sanitary towels/tampons. If you can donate, please leave at the back of the Church. Thank you.

We're delighted to be bringing several candidates to the Cathedral for confirmation this Easter Eve (Saturday April 4th, 8pm). Please keep Teresa Fitzgibbon, Edward Johnston, Craig French, Anthony Batchelor, Terry Chiles, Stephen Chiles, Mike Davis and Sam Waddell in your prayers - and come and support them, as our Easter celebration begins in the best possible way.

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please contact Peter directly.***