

THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

26th May 2024
TRINITY SUNDAY



TODAY

8.00am Eucharist at
St Lawrence Church

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

Reader: David Staines

9.30am Eucharist at
St Lawrence Church

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

Reader: Chris Sanders

Intercessions: Sally Sanderson

11.30am Eucharist at the Church of the
Ascension

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Preacher:** Revd. Peter Waddell

Reader: Wendy Ball

Readings:

Isaiah 6: 1 - 8 (P. 645)

Romans 8: 12 - 17 (P. 153)

John 3: 1 - 17 (P. 90)

Hymns:

202: Holy, Holy, Holy

474: Immortal, Invisible

203: I bind unto myself today

519: Make me a channel

603: Thou hidden source of calm repose v2

267: Thou whose Almighty Word

3.30pm The Spark Service
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!



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



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THE PRAYERS AND BIBLE READINGS

COLLECT:

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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 PRAYER:

Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever.

Josephine Butler, Social Reformer

30 May

Josephine Butler (née Grey) was born in April 1828, and baptised on this day that year, in Northumberland. She married an Anglican priest in 1852. She became incensed by the way contemporary society treated prostitutes, most of whom were forced into such activity through desperate poverty. From 1869, she campaigned for the repeal of the legislation which put all opprobrium onto the women concerned, and the issue became international after she travelled in Europe addressing meetings in 1874-75. Her campaign succeeded with the repeal of the Contagious Diseases Act in 1883. She was a devout Anglican and a woman of prayer, basing her spirituality on that of St Catherine of Siena, whose biography she wrote. She died on 30 December 1906.

ANTHEM

Holy, Holy, Holy.

Words: Reginald Heber Setting by Nicholas Tudor

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

FOR OUR PRAYERS

- For those standing for election to Parliament
- For the parish of St. Peter's Bushey Heath
- For the PCC as it meets
- For all working for the good of the planet

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

FOR THE DEPARTED

Wendy Bryant; Susan Andrews; Tony Horrox; Joyce Moore; Grace May Davis; Jack Gentle

NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 2nd June 2024

The First 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 Breathing Space at
St Lawrence Church

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

1 Samuel 3: 1 - 10 (11 - 20) (P. 252)
Deuteronomy 5: 12 - 15 (P. 169)
2 Corinthians 4: 5 - 12 (P. 177)
Mark 2: 23 - 3.6 (P. 34)

AVAILABILITY

Peter and Helen are off on Friday.

THE COMING WEEK

Monday - Saturday, 9.15am

Morning Prayer

In the Corpus Christi Chapel

Monday 27th May

Church Office is closed

Tuesday 28th May

8.00pm PCC Meeting

Breakspear Room

Wednesday 29th May

Church Office is closed

10.00am Funeral of Grace May Davis
West Herts Crematorium

11.15am Contemplative Prayer

In the Corpus Christi Chapel

12.00pm Eucharist

St Lawrence Church

8.00pm Choir Rehearsal

St Lawrence Church

Thursday 30th May

Church Office is closed

12.30pm Funeral of Wendy Bryant
Hemel Hempstead Crematorium

8.00pm Friends and Faith Group

Breakspear Room

Friday 31st May

Church Office is closed

10.00am Bedmond Bells Craft and Chat
Church of the Ascension

2.00pm Craft and Conversation
Breakspear Room

Saturday 1st June

11.00am Christening of Daisy Walter
St Lawrence Church

2.30pm Wedding of Emily Hore and
Nicholas Rossiter
St Lawrence Church

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

The Sunday lunch is today, 1pm in the church hall.

Ever wondered what Adam and Eve, talking snakes, Noah and his ark, Babel and its tower have to do being a Christian today? **The Friends and Faith group** are turning their attention for the next few months to the book of Genesis. Come and discover what it's all about, with great company and refreshments! Every Thursday evening from 8pm in the Breakspear Room; sessions always done by 9.30pm and all welcome.

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

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.

Church Fete - Saturday 15th June 12.00pm-3.00pm (At the front of St Lawrence Church). COULD WE ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT, PLEASE DONATE ...Bottles, tins, packets, toiletries or unwanted gifts for the tombola. Cakes, jams or chutney. Plants. Raffle prizes **Please let us have the tombola items in advance** but the others can be brought along on the day from 9.30am onwards or to the office in advance.

New Hope Appeal - "Cultivate" is a New Hope recovery service which exists to support those recovering from homelessness, substance dependency and complex trauma through horticultural therapy and wellbeing opportunities. New Hope are currently looking to raise £10,000 to support this service. Donations will be match-funded (doubled) by Big Give if you are able to donate between 14th and 28th May. To donate go to www.newhope.org.uk/restore Thank you. Ian Bond"

Breathing Space - 'Is it ok to be rich?' Sunday 2nd June, 5.00pm St Lawrence Church. A chance to explore some of the big issues of life with good company and lovely refreshments. All welcome.

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