

# THE PARISH OF ABBOTS LANGLEY

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

23rd March 2025

## THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



### TODAY

**8.00am** Eucharist at  
St Lawrence Church

**President & Preacher:** Revd Peter Waddell

**Reader:** Joan Sutton

**9.30am** Eucharist at  
St Lawrence Church

**President & Preacher:** Revd Peter Waddell

**Reader:** Roland Maxted

**Intercessions:** Maureen Finerty

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

**President Preacher:** Revd Peter Waddell

**Reader:** Frances Foulsham

**Readings:**  
Isaiah 55: 1 - 9 (P. 696)  
(1 Corinthians 10: 1 - 13) (P. 168)  
Luke 13: 1 - 9 (P. 72)

**Hymns:**  
368: All my hope on God is founded  
469: I heard the voice of Jesus say  
583: Teach me my God and King  
432: From heaven you came  
538: O Jesus, I have promised

**5.00pm** BCP Evening Prayer 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](http://www.churchmedia.tv/abbotslangley) or via our website [www.abbotslangley.org.uk](http://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 God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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:

Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### ANTHEM:

#### Lead me, Lord

*S.S. Wesley*

Lead me Lord in thy righteousness,  
make thy way plain before my face.  
For it is thou Lord only  
that makest me dwell in safety.

### Annual Vestry Meeting and APCM

This year's Annual Vestry Meeting and APCM will be held on Thursday 22nd May at 8.00pm in St Lawrence Church Hall. At this meeting we elect our churchwardens and new members of the PCC. If you are interested in becoming a Churchwarden, joining the PCC or one of the committees

Join us at St. Lawrence's  
Church for an egg-citing...

Easter

CRAFTS  
WORKSHOP!

Everyone is welcome to come.

We have so many fun  
activities to take part in such as:

Easter themed crafts

Listen to the Easter story

and so much more

Snacks and drinks are also provided.

Please register if you would like to come  
[pennycloughlin@live.co.uk](mailto:pennycloughlin@live.co.uk)

There is no admission fee but donations are welcome

3-5  
PM

On the  
12.4.25

## FOR OUR PRAYERS

- For St Peter, Bushey Heath
- For the PCC
- For those who use the Foodbanks
- For the people of the Congo

### FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL OR IN NEED

Chris Ballard; Liz Brooker; Christopher Seabrook; Olive Reeder; Pope Francis

### FOR THE DEPARTED

Terri Garbutt; Graham Page;

## NEXT SUNDAY

**30th March 2025**

### The Fourth Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday

- 8.00am Eucharist at St Lawrence Church
- 9.30am Eucharist at St Lawrence Church
- 11.30am Eucharist at The Church of the Ascension
- 3.30pm The Spark Service at St Lawrence Church

## READINGS NEXT SUNDAY

Exodus 2:1-10 (P. 50)  
(Colossians 3:12-17) (P. 198)  
John 19:25b-27 (P. 111)

## AVAILABILITY

Peter is off on Monday and  
Helen is off on Friday.

## THE COMING WEEK

**Monday - Saturday, 9.15am**

Morning Prayer

*In the Corpus Christi Chapel*

### Monday 24th March

10.00am Coffee Morning

*Breakspear Room*

7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

*St Lawrence Church*

### Tuesday 25th March

10.30am Tiny Tots

*Breakspear Room*

7.15pm Eucharist for the Feast of the Annunciation

*Corpus Christi Chapel*

8.00pm PCC Meeting

*Breakspear Room*

### Wednesday 26th March

12.00 Eucharist

*Corpus Christi Chapel*

6.30pm Junior Choir Practice

*St Lawrence Church*

8.00pm Choir Practice

*St Lawrence Church*

8.00pm FOSL Trustees Meeting

*Breakspear Room*

### Thursday 27th March

12.30pm Lent Course: Heresy 101

*Breakspear Room*

8.00pm Friends and Faith Group

*Breakspear Room*

### Friday 28th March

10.00am Bedmond Bells Craft and Chat

*The Church of the Ascension*

1.30pm Wedding of Sarah English and Mark King

*St Lawrence Church*

### Saturday 29th March

4.30pm Children and Young People making

Mother's Day Bouquets

*St Lawrence 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: [churchwarden2@abbotslangley.org.uk](mailto:churchwarden2@abbotslangley.org.uk)

Our **Stewardship Campaign** concluded officially on Sunday 16th March - but it's not too late to get those pledge cards back in!! Please return them to the Parish Office this week if you haven't already.

**This Lent, we invite you to join us for a Lent group** looking at some of the most notable heresies in the history of the Church. *Heresy 101: A Lent Journey Through Error and Truth*. Every Thursday (until 17th April) at 12:30pm in the Breakspear Room, St Lawrence Church. All are welcome.

**This year we need to prepare a new electoral roll.** Being a member of the electoral roll of a parish entitles a person to

take part in the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM), to elect members of the PCC and Deanery Synods. It is the nearest thing a parish church has to a 'membership list'. If you want to be part of it, please complete the form at the back of the church and return it to the church office by **Friday 25th April 2025**.

Join us for a fun-filled afternoon of **Easter-themed crafts at St Lawrence Church** on Saturday 12th April from 3pm - 5pm. All are warmly welcome to attend and there will be lots of exciting activities for children to enjoy. Snacks and drinks will be provided. **Please register by emailing** [pennymcloughlin@live.co.uk](mailto:pennymcloughlin@live.co.uk) if you would like to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Palm Crosses** - do come along on 9th April, from 10.30am - 12.00pm in the Breakspear Room, if you would like to know how to make a Palm Cross. Please bring a pair of scissors with you. We need to make all the Palm Crosses ready to be handed out at Kitters Green on Palm Sunday.

**The Feast of the Annunciation** - we will mark this special occasion with a eucharist in the Corpus Christi Chapel on Tuesday 25th March at 7.15pm All are welcome.

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