

In Touch



St LAWRENCE CHURCH
BOVINGDON

Serving the Community

Sunday 15th October 2023
19th Sunday after Trinity

Prayer List

Collect

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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. Amen.

Zachary Sayers	Jean Rose
Mark Freeth	Marie Shilling
Kuldip Dhadda	Tom Morkill
Philip- Karen's Dad	Alaina Parsons
Derek Wright	Margaret Horwood
Penny Havercroft	Carol O'Hara
Michael Havercroft	Linda Harding
Peter Vallis	Mary Beard
Rosemary Evans	Karin Vallis
Nicki O'Hara	Sally Wright
Oli Kemp	Helen Campbell
Brenda Wood	
Hilary Kemp	

This Sunday 15th October 19th Sunday after Trinity

Isaiah 5.1-7
Philippians 3.4b-14
Matthew 21.33-end

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am	Family Praise
10.30am	Parish Communion
4.15pm	Explorers

Those who mourn the loss of

Shirley Crockford	Lorraine Mcloughlin
Ashley Boddy	Colin Gurney

This week at St Lawrence:

Mon 9.15am	Toddlers
Wed 9.15am	Toddlers
Thurs 9.00am	Morning Prayer
Thurs 10.00am	Welcome Café (Church Hall)
Fri 6.00pm	Choir practice

Post Communion Prayer

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Next Sunday 22nd October 20th Sunday after Trinity

Isaiah 45.1-7
1 Thessalonians 1.1-10
Matthew 22.15-22

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am	Family Praise
10.30am	Morning Prayer

Notices—15th October

Thank you for all your donations to the **Bishop's Harvest Appeal**, we raised over £500 (with Gift Aid) to help families in Uganda raise chickens.

For the last three years we have made an annual charitable gift of £3,000 to Mercy Ships, alongside smaller gifts to other causes and our regular appeals. (The 2022 Giving report at the back of church gives further details.) The PCC are keen to continue this giving and would welcome suggestions as to whether we should continue to give to Mercy Ships or offer our giving to a new charity. Please contact Alison Woodhams if you have suggestions.

We need tombola prizes for our **Christmas Market** on Saturday 18th November. These can be bottles or other small gifts. Please bring any contributions to church. Nearer the time we would welcome gifts of home produce – jams, pickles, cakes etc. Thank you to all who have offered to help, if you'd like to join our team on the day please contact Tara or Amanda via events@stlawrencebovingdon.com

A final reminder to return **Children's Society** boxes to church for Helen to collect and pay in.

Our **Welcome Café** has **moved to St Lawrence Hall** – Thursdays from 10am – 12 noon. Why not call in for a coffee and bring a friend? And if you are interested in volunteering please speak to Judith Wilford.

We will be filling shoe boxes again this year for **Teams4U** to distribute to children in eastern Europe. The last day to drop off at church will be Sunday 12th November. If you have spare empty shoe boxes please bring them to church.

Dates for your diary:

31st October 6.00 – 8.00pm: Light Party in church

5th November 4.00pm: annual Memorial service

12th November 10.30pm: Remembrance service

18th November 2.00 – 4.30pm: Outdoor Christmas Market

The DENS High Needs list is on display in church. Current high need items include long life milk, rice and tinned meat. In addition to our DENS collections, we are supporting local families with regular food parcels. Please donate items such as tinned fruit and vegetables, soup, tea, coffee, washing up liquid and toiletries. Alternatively, cash donations for us to purchase fresh items to complete our family food parcels can be put in a blue envelope marked 'food collections' at services or handed to Charles or Dena.



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