

In Touch



St LAWRENCE CHURCH
BOVINGDON

Serving the Community

Sunday 19th November 2023
2nd Sunday before Advent

Prayer List

Collect

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son was revealed to
destroy the works of the devil
and to make us the children of God
and heirs of eternal life:
grant that we, having this hope,
may purify ourselves even as he is
pure;
that when he shall appear in power
and great glory
we may be made like him in his
eternal and glorious kingdom;
where he is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

Mark Freeth	Marie Shilling
Kuldip Dhadda	Tom Morkill
Philip- Karen's Dad	Alaina Parsons
Derek Wright	Margaret Horwood
Michael Havercroft	Carol O'Hara
Peter Vallis	Linda Harding
Rosemary Evans	Mary Beard
Nicki O'Hara	Karin Vallis
Oli Kemp	Chris O'Hara
Brenda Wood	Peter Swinney
Jean Rose	Pam Hoskyn

Those who mourn the loss of

Lorraine McLoughlin	John Jones
	Roger Payne

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Zephaniah 1.7, 12–end
1 Thessalonians 5.1–11
Matthew 25.14–30

9.30am Family Praise
10.30am Parish Communion

This week at St Lawrence:

Mon 9.00am	Toddlers
Tues 7.30pm	PCC (Zoom)
Wed 9.00am	Toddlers
Thurs 9.00am	Morning Prayer
Thurs 10.00am	Welcome Café
Fri 6.00pm	Choir practice
Sat 5.00pm	Charles to be made Honorary Canon St Albans Cathedral

Post Communion Prayer

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we
long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen.

Next Sunday 26th November Christ the King

Ezekiel 34.11–16, 20–24
Ephesians 1.15–end
Matthew 25.31–end

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am	Family Praise
10.30am	Morning Prayer
5.00pm	Stir up service

Notices—19th November

Helen delivered 35 shoe boxes for **Teams4U** this week, thank you to all who contributed. If you would like to contribute financially towards shoe box items you can leave a donation at the back of church or give via our website.

Charles is to be installed as an Honorary Canon of St Albans Cathedral during Evensong at 5.00pm on Saturday 25th November. All are welcome to the service and refreshments afterwards. If you'd like to come please add your name to the list at the back of church. If you have space in your car there are some people who would like a lift.

Our annual **Stir Up service** is at 5.00pm next Sunday 26th November. We sing contemporary worship songs, pray and stir up our Christmas puddings. Please sign up at the back of church if you'd like to join in and pick up an ingredients list. Or you can download the ingredients list attached and register by e-mailing Helen

Real Advent Calendars are for sale at the back of church, cost £4.50. Each one contains fairtrade chocolate for each day of Advent and a booklet telling the Christmas story. A great gift for family or godchildren.

Hilary will be installed in her new role in Devon on Wednesday 17th January. There are local places to stay in Westward Ho! and nearby. If you are thinking of going, have a word with Hilary, Charles or Chris West.

Dates for your diary:

26th November 5.00pm Stir Up service

3rd December 5.00pm Carol singing in the High Street before the street lights are switched on

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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