

In Touch



St LAWRENCE CHURCH
BOVINGDON

Serving the Community

Sunday 15th December 2024

3rd Sunday of Advent

Collect

O Lord Jesus Christ,
who at your first coming sent your
messenger to prepare your way
before you:
grant that the ministers and stewards
of your mysteries may likewise so
prepare and make ready your way
by turning the hearts of the
disobedient to the wisdom of the just,
that at your second coming to judge
the world we may be found an
acceptable people in your sight;
for you are alive and reign with the
Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

This Sunday 15th December 3rd Sunday of Advent

Zephaniah 3.14–end
Philippians 4.4–7
Luke 1.26-38

9.30am Family Praise
10.30am Parish Communion

Next Sunday 22nd December 4th Sunday of Advent

Micah 5.2-5
Hebrews 10.5-10
Luke 1.39-55

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am Nativity
6.30pm Carol Service

Prayer List

Mark Freeth	Pat Smith
Kuldip Dhadda	Barry Walker
Philip -Karen's Dad	Libby Havercroft
Peter Vallis	Lee Roberts
Jean & Mike Rose	David Kinchen
Alaina Parsons	Liz Nolan
Mary Beard	Tyler Shilling
Carol Leonard	
Andy Jackson	
Jenny Sparks	

Those who mourn the loss of

Susan Jones	Helen Phipps-Wiltshire
Arturo Barone	Muriel Shaw
Adrian Watney	Rosemary Evans

This Week at St Lawrence

Weds 9.00am	Toddlers
Thurs 9.30am	Morning Prayer
Thurs 10.00am	Welcome Café
	Christmas Special
Fri 5.15pm	Junior Choir
Fri 6.00pm	Choir Practice
Sat 10.00am	Rehearsal for Nativity

Post Communion Prayer

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these
heavenly gifts;
kindle in us the fire of your Spirit
that when your Christ comes again
we may shine as lights before his
face;
who is alive and reigns now and for
ever.
Amen

Notices for 15th December

Today's theme is 'Rejoice!' and you will be able to enjoy the beautiful Christmas flowers which Jane Cayley and her team have prepared.

Come and join us for **Beer and Carols** on Tuesday (17th), starting at the Half Way House at 7.00pm, reaching The Bell (via Zeera's) at about 8.45pm. All welcome!

Calling all children (and parents): please come and join in our pop up **Nativity: 'The shiny bright sparkling light'** on Sunday 22nd December at 10.00am. We want as many angels, stars, shepherds, sheep and wise people as we can get!

Thank you to those who have taken **Christmas cards** for distribution. There are still some at the back of church, please take a pack and sign the list.

In October we launched our '**Patience**' appeal to the congregation. If you haven't picked up a brochure pack yet, please come and collect one this Sunday. Then please prayerfully consider your response and return the appropriate form to the Project Office.

Christmas dates for your diary:

17th December: **Beer and carols.** Half Way House at 7.00pm

22nd December: **Nativity service** 10.00am

22nd December: **Carols by candlelight** 6.30pm

24th December: **Crib Service** 3.00pm

24th December: **Midnight Communion** 11.00pm

25th December: **Christmas Family Communion** 10.00am

NB on Sunday 29th December there will be one service: Parish Communion at 10.30am

Thank you for your DENS donations, please keep them coming. In addition to our DENS collections, we are supporting local families with regular food parcels. Please donate the following items if you can:

- Tea, coffee, sugar, squash
- Breakfast cereals
- Washing up liquid
- Laundry tabs
- Biscuits
- Table sauces and condiments



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