

In Touch



St LAWRENCE CHURCH
BOVINGDON

Serving the Community

Sunday 12th January 2025

Baptism of Christ

Collect

Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by
water and the Spirit,
that we may be faithful to our calling
as your adopted children;
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.

This Sunday 12th January Baptism of Christ

Isaiah 43.1–7
Acts 8.14–17
Luke 3.15–17, 21–22

9.30am Family Praise
10.30am Morning Prayer
4.15pm Messy Church

Next Sunday 19th January 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

Isaiah 62.1–5
1 Corinthians 12.1–11
John 2.1–11

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

Prayer List

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| Mark Freeth | Jenny Sparks |
| 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 | Helen Campbell |
| Andy Jackson | Paul Campbell |

Those who mourn the loss of

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| Helen Phipps-Wiltshire | |
| Rosemary Evans | Colin Smith |
| Adrian Watney | Joe Bateman |

This Week at St Lawrence

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| Mon 9.00am | Toddlers |
| Wed 9.00am | Toddlers |
| Thurs 9.00am | Morning Prayer |
| 10.00am | Welcome Café |
| 7.30pm | PCC (Zoom) |
| Fri 1.00pm | Burial |
| 6.00pm | Choir practice |

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all time and eternity,
you opened the heavens and
revealed yourself as Father
in the baptism of Jesus your beloved
Son:
by the power of your Spirit
complete the heavenly work of our
rebirth
through the waters of the new
creation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Notices for 12th January

Our 10.30 service will be led by The Revd. Tolu George, Curate at All Saints, Croxley Green.

Messy Church is at 4.15pm in the Hall. At the start of the year we'll be thinking about 'running the race to win the prize'. Please bring a pair of running shoes! Games, crafts, food and ideas for the year ahead

Our collections on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day raised an impressive £1,373 for **Zarach**, a charity combatting bed poverty for children. The PCC has added £1,000 making a total donation of £2,373. In December we also made our second annual donation of £2,000 to ABCD (Action around Bethlehem Children with Disability). Thank you for your generosity.

Bible reading notes for January – April are available at the back of church, cost £5.00

Why not join a **home group** in 2025? Small groups meet regularly in homes around the parish to read and discuss a Bible passage, pray together and encourage each other in our daily lives.

Please talk to Charles, Val Rolls, Gary Cartlidge or Flick Crockett for details.

Do you know anyone with fundraising experience who might be able to help with our 'Patience' project? If so please have a word with Charles, John Walker or Alison Woodhams. Anna Murkowski is stepping down from her role of Fundraising Co-ordinator, although she will remain involved on a voluntary basis.

Save the date:

Saturday 8th February at 6.30pm: **Jazz concert with Stuart Sidders and friends.** Tickets cost £12 (under 16's £5) and can be bought online (search 'Ticket source St Lawrence Church') or on the door. All proceeds to the 'Patience' project.

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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