

# In Touch



St LAWRENCE CHURCH  
BOVINGDON

*Serving the Community*

**Sunday 24th August 2025**

**St Bartholomew**

## Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who gave to your apostle Bartholomew  
grace  
truly to believe and to preach your  
word:  
grant that your Church  
may love that word which he believed  
and may faithfully preach and receive  
the same;  
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 24th August 2025 St Bartholomew

Acts 5.12–16  
1 Corinthians 4.9–15  
Luke 22.24–30

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

## Next Sunday 31st August 2025 11th Sunday after Trinity

Proverbs 25.6–7  
Hebrews 13.1–8, 15–16  
Luke 14.1, 7–14

9.30pm Family Praise  
10.30am Fifth Sunday Special:  
Communion with Northumbria liturgy  
12noon. Baptism

## Prayer List

Kuldip Dhadda  
Philip -Karen's Dad  
Jean & Mike Rose  
Alaina Parsons  
Mary Beard  
Carol Leonard  
Andy Jackson  
Lee Roberts  
David Kinchen  
Liz Nolan

Elliott Bridge  
Jenny Sparks  
Ivan Carter (snr)  
Bryan Hedley  
David Moncrieff  
Stephen Mahoney  
Glenys Welstead  
Josie Woodhams

## Those who mourn the loss of

Valerie Banks Ben Bennett  
Canon Keith Withington Alan Savage  
Stuart Oastler Laurence Black

## This Week at St Lawrence

Thurs 10.00am Welcome Café  
(Church)  
(NB no Morning Prayer this week)  
Fri 6.00pm Choir practice

## Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God,  
who on the day of Pentecost  
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles  
with the wind from heaven and in  
tongues of flame,  
filling them with joy and boldness to  
preach the gospel:  
by the power of the same Spirit  
strengthen us to witness to your truth  
and to draw everyone to the fire of your  
love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Lord God, the source of truth and love,  
keep us faithful to the apostles' bread,  
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Notices for 24th August

All our collections this Sunday (24<sup>th</sup> August) will go to **Liberty Tea Rooms**. We have adopted *Liberty Tea Rooms* as our 'focus charity' for the Summer. *Liberty* is operated by Churches across Hemel and serves the best coffee and cake in the town! They employ those who find it difficult to get work, particularly those who have learning or emotional difficulties. They need to raise £40,000 by the end of August to maintain the business. It is a business run by the Church community for the benefit of all the community, and offers hope and a home to those who are struggling.

Daily Bible reading notes for September – December are available at the back of church, they cost £5.25.

'The bereavement Journey' a 7 session bereavement course, is starting up at St Paul's Chipperfield on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September at 7.00pm. For more information or to book a place contact Revd Sarah on 07525 491496 or contact the Parish Office on 01923 264377

Our popular annual Back to School BBQ will be on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September at 3.30pm in the church yard. All welcome!

Maureen West has updated our library which now sits in the north aisle near the font. Please feel free to browse and borrow any of the books there.

Would you be able to help run our church? We are currently looking for a Fabric Officer and some assistant Church Wardens. Have a word with Chris West or Charles if you'd like to find out more.

As well as DENS we are supporting local families who are struggling to put food on the table. A barrier to buying something for the food collection can be remembering. **A good technique is to buy two of a favourite item and donate one.**

If you would like to contribute, the following items would be very helpful:

- tinned vegetables, fruit, meat or fish
- dried pasta, rice or lentils
- pasta sauces
- tea, coffee, squash
- breakfast cereals
- soap, detergent, washing up liquid



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