# In Touch



# Sunday 14th September 2025 Holy Cross Day

#### Collect

Almighty God, who in the passion of your blessed Son

made an instrument of painful death to be for us the means of life and peace:

grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ

that we may gladly suffer for his sake; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

# This Sunday 14th September Holy Cross Day

Numbers 21.4–9 Philippians 2.6–11 John 3.13–17

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.30am Family Praise

10.30am Parish Communion

4.15pm Messy Church

### Next Sunday 21st September St Matthew

Proverbs 3.13–18 2 Corinthians 4.1–6 Matthew 9.9–13

9.30am Family Praise

10.30am Parish Communion

## **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

Mon 9.00am Toddlers Wed 9.00am Toddlers

(Memorial Hall)
Thurs 9.00am Morning Prayer

Thurs 10.00am Welcome Café

(Church)

# **Post Communion Prayer**

Faithful God,

whose Son bore our sins in his body on the tree

and gave us this sacrament to show forth his death until he comes:

give us grace to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

for he is our salvation, our life and our hope,

who reigns as Lord, now and for ever. Amen.

#### Notices for 14th September

**Messy Church** is back at 4.15pm in the Baptist Church. Come and take part in activities, songs, food and more.

**Pilgrim:** a course for the Christian journey. Want to explore the Christian faith with a group of like minded people? We're starting a new course on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Pick up a leaflet or speak to Charles for more details.

**The Friends of St Lawrence** are looking for new Trustees. If you would like to help fundraise for the maintenance of our beautiful church and churchyard please have a word with John Walker (Chair).

Do you want to reduce your personal carbon footprint? 'Living life to the full' – a seminar exploring practical action to fix our planet takes place at St Mary's Church, Watford WD18 0EG on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September 7-9pm.

A 27-foot-tall sculpture called the 'Knife Angel', crafted from over 100,000 confiscated knives and blades, will be on display in Welwyn Garden City throughout October. Chris West writes, "I know many Church members have a passion for protecting young people and the dangers of knife crime. The sculpture is truly stunning, and a poignant reminder of the need to continue to pray for the safety of young people."

#### October dates for your diary:

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October 10.00am: Harvest Festival Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October 7.00pm: Concert by Floyd Parris, jazz guitarist and singer Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October: Light Party

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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