

# In Touch



St LAWRENCE CHURCH  
BOVINGDON

*Serving the Community*

## Sunday 11th January 2026 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.

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Isaiah 42.1 -9  
Acts 10. 34-43  
Matthew 3. 13-end



8.00am      Holy Communion (BCP)  
9.30am      Family Praise  
10.30am      Parish Communion  
4.15pm      Messy Church

### Next Sunday 18th January 2026 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

Isaiah 49 1- 7  
1 Corinthians 1. 1-9  
John 1. 29 -42

9.30am      Family Praise  
10.30am      Parish Communion  
We Welcome Reverend John Kirkby

### Prayer List

Kuldip Dhadda	Glenys Welstead
Philip & Vera (Karen's parents)	Margaret Barnes
Alaina Parsons	Richard Barnes
Carol Leonard	Anna Murkowski
Andy Jackson	Christine Badcock
Lee Roberts	Helen , Paul & Laura Campbell
David Kinchen	Penny Havercroft
Liz Nolan	Maureen West
Elliott Bridge	Jenny Cleaver
Parveen Kalyan	Lindsay Westcott
Jenny Sparks	Jean Rose
David Moncrieff	

### Those who mourn the loss of

Keith Bryant

### This Week at St Lawrence

Mon 9.00am	Toddlers
Wed 9.00am	Toddlers
Thurs 9.00am	Morning Prayer
Thurs 10-12noon	Welcome Café
Fri 6.30pm	Choir

### Post Communion Prayer

Lord God,  
the bright splendour whom the nations  
seek:  
may we who with the wise men have  
been drawn by your light discern the  
glory of your presence in your Son,  
the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our  
Lord. 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 4th January

Happy New Year! I hope you have managed to get some rest after the busyness of Christmas.

Today we mark **Epiphany** and the arrival of the wise men with a service **at 10.00am** of **Family Communion with baptism** There will be a children's activity and refreshments will be served after the service. We welcome Sophia and Ava Ireland for their baptism.

The latest **Bible Reading notes** are available at the back of church. You can pay (£5.25) in cash in church or by BACS. We have one or two spare copies, so if you'd like to start the new year with a daily Bible reading why not buy one?

We are so grateful for the many people who volunteer their time to help run our wide range of services and activities. We are always looking for more help! So if you would like to get more involved, whether on an occasional or regular basis, please have a word with Chris West our Church warden, Charles or any member of the PCC.

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.**



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