

'In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem'. - Matthew 2: 1

Today's Bible Passages are:
Isaiah 60: 1-6 & Matthew 2: 1-12

Notices

Pulse Online

36 people have already signed up to receive their copy of the Pulse online, if you would also like to join in, please email the church office: stlawrence1939@btinternet.com

Parish Display at Guildford Cathedral Treasury

You may notice one or two objects have 'disappeared' from St Lawrence and All Saints, if so, you will be pleased to know, they are safely being displayed at Guildford Cathedral Treasury. Our Parish is the focus of this special display which will run from now until Easter 2020. Please do make a point of visiting when you can.

Confirmation Classes

Revd Mandy is preparing people for confirmation. The Confirmation Service will be at Guildford Cathedral on Saturday 11th April in the evening. If you would like to be prepared for confirmation, please contact Mandy asap. Preparation classes will be running on 4 Wednesday evenings starting in late January.

Effingham Farmers' Market

We are planning to run a monthly 'Farmers' Market' (to include food and crafts) on a Saturday in St Lawrence Church. Stalls will be charged at a set amount, but stallholders will retain any profits.

Refreshments will be available.

If you would like to run a stall at the market, please speak to Revd Mandy.

Thank You Anne

After 20 years of faithful leadership, Anne Bleming has decided to retire as Choir Mistress (although she will still be singing with the choir). We thank her for all that she has contributed to the life of this Parish through her musical leadership.

Thank You

A total of £370.35 was raised at the Village Carol Service at St Lawrence of which £185 will be sent to the Rainbow Trust in Leatherhead. Many thanks to all who contributed so generously.

New Parish Treasurer

We are delighted to announce that Janet Merry has offered to become our Parish Treasurer upon the retirement of Jennifer Blackburn.

We once again thank Jennifer for all of her hard work over the past few years.

Next Sunday's Bible Passages are:
Isaiah 42: 1-9 & Matthew 3: 13ff

Upcoming Events

Sunday 19th Jan – Saints Alive, All Saints @ 10am

At this session, we will be creating a Bug Hotel for All Saints Churchyard. If anyone has broken terracotta pots, fir cones or bamboo canes, we would be grateful for them to be donated to help with the 'new build'.

Sunday 19th Jan - 'Scones of Praise' Churches Together Service, All Saints @ 4pm

A chance to enjoy some favourite hymns together with members of the Methodist & Catholic Churches. Followed by tea, coffee and scones with jam.

Sunday 26th January – First TGIS of 2020 & Creation of Community Orchard, St Lawrence Church @ 10am

Please join us for our first TGIS of 2020.

After the service, Jon Hargreaves will be organising a session to start clearing the land for our proposed Parish Community Orchard in Effingham. Please consider joining us with your gardening tools.

Sunday 2nd February – Evensong for Candlemas, All Saints @ 4pm

Please join us for this special service which marks the end of the Christmas Season.

Sunday 9th February – Newcomers Tea Party (Time & Location TBC)

If you have joined our Parish in recent months and are yet to attend a Newcomers Tea Party, please look out for an invitation in early January. Please do not be afraid to ask for an invite if yours has not arrived by 26th January.

Tuesday 25th February – Lent Course, Effingham Methodist Church @ 2pm

This is the first session of 5. The course is called 'Another Story Must Begin' and is based on Les Misérables. The course will be run by Revd Mandy and Revd Kim together.

Alternatively, Revd Mandy will be running the same course on Thursday evenings starting on 27th February. A sign-up sheet will be available in the New Year.

June 2020 - Charity Run in Memory of Pat Wakeford

Marketa Burrows will be undertaking a strenuous charity run in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. To sponsor her, please go to:
www.justgiving.com/fundraising/marketa-burrows1



Children & Families:

TGIS (Thank God It's Sunday)

On the 4th Sunday of each month at St. Lawrence starting at 10am, with a delicious breakfast. This is an informal, contemporary service without communion and is especially appropriate for newcomers & young families.

Next TGIS 26th January – Do join us!

Regular Events

Chatterbox: Tuesdays from 10.30am-12pm on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays in St Lawrence & on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at All Saints. Catherine Hall on 453183 for further info.

Tues 28th Jan: Parish Pint (for the chaps) - 4th Tuesday monthly at the Sir Douglas Haig, Effingham, 12pm. Contact Robert Hall: 453183 or Robert@whestons.co.uk if coming (for catering).

Tuesday Tea - Tuesday 14th Jan: Alternate Tuesdays, in the Catholic Church Hall, Lower Rd, Effingham. From 2.30pm-4pm. A donation of £1.50 is all that is required. Gill or Keith 457987.

Christian Meditation Group - Thurs 2nd Jan - Meets fortnightly, 2.15pm in the Methodist Church, Effingham. Mrs Sylvia Lindsay 457383.

“Connect” Group - Thursday 16th Jan - For carers & partners living with dementia meets fortnightly at 10am-12pm, St Lawrence Church Hall. Contact Gill Walker 457987.

Messy Church – Wed 8th Jan: at St Lawrence Church Hall) 3.30pm-5pm. 2nd Wednesday of each month. Contact Gill Walker on 457987.

Let’s Find Out – Monday 6th Jan: We meet (usually) every first Monday evening of the month at 7.30pm at Sylvia Lindsay’s, Elmhurst, Lower Rd, Lt Bookham. Catherine: 453183 Sylvia: 457383

We are delighted to announce that we have a new parish website. It can be found at: www.effinghamwithlittlebookhamparish.org.uk

Please remember we can be found on



Where & When Next: Sunday 12th January:

8am - Service @ All Saints

10am - Service @ St Lawrence

Weekday Services at St. Lawrence

Morning Prayer will be said on Tuesday at 9am

Holy Communion will be celebrated on Thursday at 9.15am at St Lawrence

Sunday 5th January
2020

‘Epiphany’

Parish Pulse

Children are welcome at all our services



The Parish of St. Lawrence, Effingham with All Saints’, Little Bookham



Parish Contacts

Rector: Revd Mandy MacVean – 01372 458314 (Day off usually Friday) The Rectory, 4 Leewood Way, Effingham, KT24 5JN.

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Please send items for the Pulse (via email) by Tuesday each week

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Pattern of Monthly Services

St. Lawrence		All Saints’
8am BCP Holy Communion 6pm Taizé Prayer	First Sunday	10am Informal Sunday Worship with Communion
10am Sunday Worship with Communion	Second Sunday	8am BCP Holy Communion
8am BCP Holy Communion	Third Sunday	10am Sunday Worship with Communion
10am Thank God it’s Sunday (TGIS)	Fourth Sunday	8am BCP Holy Communion
8am BCP Holy Communion (alternating) 10am Ecumenical Eucharist (alternating)	Fifth Sunday	8am BCP Holy Communion (alternating) 10am Ecumenical Eucharist (alternating)

Church Wardens

Val Winter 454 273
John Amos 453 552

Deputy Church Wardens

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