'And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

- Matthew 3: 17

Today's Bible Passages are:

Isaiah 42: 1-9 & Matthew 3: 13ff

Notices

We warmly welcome Revd Rosemary Durward who will be taking our services today.

Parish Directory

We last compiled a Parish Directory nearly 4 years ago and realise that much of the information is now out of date. We will be handing out forms in Church for you to complete if you wish to be included in the is very useful resource.

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.

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.

Parish Choir

Following the retirement of Anne Bleming, as choir mistress, we are delighted to announce that in future the choir will be jointly led by Brenda Kent & Tony, our organist. This may be a good time to consider joining the choir. Please speak to Mandy or Brenda if you are interested.

Chatterbox

Please note that due to the planned vestry refurbishment works in St Lawrence Church, Chatterbox will need to be at All Saints Church for **all the Tuesdays** for the rest of **January** and the duration of **February**.

Next Sunday's Bible Passages are:

Isaiah 49: 1-7 & John 1: 29-42

Upcoming Events

Sun 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'.

Sun 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.

Tues 21st Jan - Bookham Churches Together Prayer Session, All Saints Church @ 8.30am

Do join us during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity for a short service, hosted by Revd Mandy.

Sun 26th Jan – 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.

Sun 2^{nd} Feb – Evensong for Candlemas, AS @ 4pm

Please join us at All Saints Church for this special service which marks the end of the Christmas Season.

Sun 9th Feb – Newcomers Tea Party, (Time/Location TBC)

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

Tues 25th Feb – 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 & Revd Kim together.

Alternatively, Revd Mandy will be running the same course on Thursday evenings starting on 27th Feb. 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



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. **CURRENTLY AT ALL SAINTS EACH WEEK UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

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 16th 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 12th Feb: at St Lawrence Church Hall) 3.30pm-5pm. 2nd Wednesday of each month. Contact Gill Walker on 457987.

Let's Find Out – Monday 3rd Feb: 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 19th January:

8am - Service @ St Lawrence

10am - Service @ All Saints

4pm - 'Scones of Praise' @ All Saints

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 12th January 2020

'Baptism of Christ'

Parish Pulse

Children are welcome at all our services



The Parish of St.
Lawrence, Effingham
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Bookham



Parish Contacts

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

Parish Administrator: Hayley Rheinlander at the Parish Office: 01372 451697. St Lawrence Church, Church Street, Effingham, KT24 5LX.

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

E: stlawrence1939@btinternet.com

W: www.effinghamwithlittlebookhamparish.org.uk



Pattern of Monthly Services

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

Church Wardens

Val Winter 454 273 John Amos 453 552

Deputy Church Wardens

Pat Mills 454 293 Paddy MacVean 458 314