

*'From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent,
for the kingdom of heaven has come near."*

- Matthew 4: 17

Today's Bible Passages are:

Isaiah 9: 1-4 & Matthew 4: 12-23

Notices

Parish Directory

We last compiled a Parish Directory 4 years ago & realise that much of the information is now out of date.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

Parish Vestry Refurbishment

Please note that work will commence Monday 3rd Feb. The church will be closed for the refurbishment, apart from usual services.

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 **Jan** & the duration of **Feb**.

Children's Society Boxes

Boxes for the Children's Society (for St Lawrence) are due for opening next month, February. Please bring them to St Lawrence if you can. Otherwise, Pat Withers will be in contact in the usual way.

Flowers for All Saints Church

Would anyone like to help with the flowers for All Saints? No experience/talent required! Or, donations could be made to commemorate a special event/anniversary. Some 'new faces' would be very welcome! Please contact Lisa Boag/Julia Baker 01372 453204/07905960014

Parish Befrienders

This is the last call for anyone who would like to become a **Parish Befriender**. Please contact Revd Mandy asap if you are interested or would like more details. **The training session** will be at The Rectory on **Monday 10th February at 6pm**.

Christmas Charity Post

Thank you to all who supported the Christmas Charity Post, especially the deliverers. We raised £3,000 to be split between 3 charities: Practical Action (helping farmers in Sudan), Rotary and the YMCA (for Syrian refugee children). Due to 'fund-matching', £6,000 is the final amount donated.

Next Sunday's Bible Passages are:

Malachi 3: 1-5 & Luke 2: 22-40

Upcoming Events

TODAY - 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.

Wed 29th Jan – 'Scams Target You', Effingham Methodist Church @ 2pm

We will be welcoming Surrey Police to speak to us about the various scams around as well as answering our questions about how we can keep ourselves safe & secure, especially when answering phone calls, doorstep callers & online safety. Come along for a short presentation with Q&A over refreshments.

All are welcome.

Sun 2nd 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.

Taizé Prayer - Sunday 2nd Feb @ St Lawrence Church, 6pm

All welcome to attend!

Sun 9th Feb – Newcomers Tea Party, Caroline & William's Home @ 3.30pm

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.



Children & Families:

'First of the Month (FOM)' – Informal Family Communion

This service takes place at All Saints on the First Sunday of each month starting at 10am. It includes a children's talk & the children are encouraged to help in the running of the service. Aimed at 3 years+.

Next FOM 2nd February – All Welcome!

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 28th 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 30th Jan - Meets fortnightly, 2.15pm in the Methodist Church, Effingham. Mrs Sylvia Lindsay 457383.

“Connect” Group - Thursday 30th 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 2nd February:

8am - Service @ St Lawrence

10am - Service @ All Saints (**FOM**)

4pm - Evensong for Candlemas @ All Saints

6pm - Taizé Prayer @ 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 26th
January 2020

‘3rd Sunday of
Epiphany’

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.

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 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

Pat Mills 454 293
Paddy MacVean 458 314