The Parish of Broxbourne with Wormley

Pews News Notice Sheet 2nd Sunday of Lent



St Laurence ~ **A Fair Trade Parish** ~ St Augustine's

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A very warm welcome to Revd Nick Sharp, who is leading our services today and to everyone, both visitors and regulars.

Parish Services Today ~ 25th February 2024

8am Holy Communion (BCP) St Augustine's 9.30am Holy Communion St Laurence 11am Holy Communion St Augustine's

Readings today ~ Genesis 18: 1-8 & 16-33 (p 17) & Luke 10: 1-12 (p 983) **Readers next week** ~ Eleanor Ward and Jennifer Quarshie

Collect Prayer for today

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by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Next Sunday ~ 3rd March

9.30am Family Communion with Wormley Free Church St Laurence
11am Family Service for all ages St Augustine's
6pm Contemporary Evening Service St Augustine's

PARISH NOTICES FOR WEEK BEGINNING 25TH FEBRUARY 2024

<u>Lent Course Starts TOMORROW.</u> Local churches are working together to do the Christian Aid Lent Course called Action on Poverty. People from any church will be welcome. It will be held in the Ark Room, upstairs in the Hall opposite St Catherine and St Pauls Church, Hoddesdon). Coffee at 7.15pm, finishing promptly at 9pm. See posters in church for details and please tell Jackie Gifford if you'd like to go (01992 462127) to give them an idea of numbers.

<u>Watch & Pray Lent Reflections.</u> If you'd like a daily Lent reflection, you can sign up to receive them by either getting the Watch and Pray app, asking your smart speaker for the Church of England's daily Lent reflection, or you can go on the Church of England's website and sign up to receive them by email.

BIG Group. Come for cake, chat and a cuppa on Wednesday 28th February, 2.30-4pm in the Parish Centre. For a lift, please contact Judith (465509).

World Day of Prayer. The services will be held on Friday 1st March, in the morning at 11am St Cuthbert's Church, followed by lunch, and in the evening 7.30pm at St Laurence. All welcome. We shall hear what it is like to live in Palestine and share their hopes for the future. This service is powerful and gives us an opportunity for us to join with Christians worldwide, who will be using exactly the same service. Let's fill our cars and come together to put peace into eachothers' hands. If you'd like a lift, please contact Judith 465509 / hydehaven@ntlworld.com

<u>Wednesday Afternoon Group</u> is open to anyone. On March 6th at 2pm in the Parish Centre, Graham Craker will give an illustrated talk entitled 'Charity Support for a School in Kenya'. (not Uganda as advertised previously). The Beetle Drive will now be held on April 3rd.

Mothers' Union Lent Lunch. There will be a lunch at midday on Tuesday 12th March in the Barclay Hall by Hoddesdon Parish Church.

☐ Hymn Requests. Do you have a favourite hymn you'd like the choir to sing during communion? Please tell John or a member of the choir and they'll try to oblige!

<u>Diocesan Vacancies.</u> The Diocese of St Albans is advertising for a part-time Safeguarding Administrator, a part-time Property Administrator, as well as a 0.8 / FT Property Director. If interested or for more information, please visit the Vacancies page on the Diocesan website.

https://www.stalbansdiocese.org/vacancies-role/diocesan-roles/

<u>Hoedown for YoungLife!</u> Hoddesdon Baptist Church, EN11 8HX are hosting a charity hoedown for YoungLife International on Saturday 23rd March, 6-9pm. *Tickets in advance only* £12 adults, £9 under 18s, £35 family ticket, includes food, drink and snacks. Scan the QR code on the poster or email <u>vcramphorn@ylinternational.org</u>

<u>Bishop Alan's Open Garden.</u> The Bishop of St Albans will be opening his garden for people to come and look at the display of snowdrops. Spring opening days are 25th February, 3rd March and 10th March. Entrance is £5 per person (children free) and dogs on leads are welcome. All money raised is donated to the Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust. Abbey Gate House, Abbey Mill Lane, St Albans AL3 4HS.

Would You Like a Real Easter Egg? £4.50 each. The Real Easter Egg has a copy of the Easter story in the box, is made from Fairtrade chocolate and supports charitable causes. Interested? Please contact Judith to buy one on 465509 / hydehaven@ntlworld.com

<u>Girlguiding.</u> Herts County Girlguiding needs new adult helpers. Were you once a guide? Do you want to put something back? To find out more, please visit <u>www.girlguidiing.org.uk</u>

Or email volunteer@girlguidinghertfordshire.org.uk

Would You Like to Help at Church? There are many ways you can volunteer, please let Ash, a churchwarden or Lynda know if you'd like to find out more about helping occasionally and they can point you in the right direction. For example, you could be a welcomer, help make the post-service coffees, sweep out the pews, sing in the choir, help with occasional maintenance jobs like weeding, join a nursing home service monthly, or help at Children's Church. All the activities we put on rely on a few willing people and we couldn't do these things without them, so we'd love to hear from you!

<u>Parish Magazine.</u> Don't forget you can pick up a copy of 'Roundabout' from the back of church for just 50p. Full of local information, plus other articles, including the interesting 'God in the Sciences' series.

Broxbourne Foodbank. Please bring a tin or jar for the Foodbank if you can. There is a box at the back of each church for donated items, which is emptied regularly.

<u>Saving Stamps?</u> Jan Taylor collects used stamps and sends them off to Great Ormond Street Hospital, where they are much appreciated. There

is a drawer inside the entrance to the Parish Centre where you can drop off your stamps.

Please pray for

- Those known to us needing prayer for health issues.
- Those recently bereaved, especially the family of the late Joy Hayden (Spriggs) and Sheila Blaxill.

St Laurence Notices

<u>The Next Family Communion Service</u> on 3rd March will be a joint service when Wormley Free Church come to worship with us at 9.30am. **Sunday School** is on 3rd Sundays, new children are very welcome.

St Augustine's Notices

Please Note there is NO 6pm service tonight.

Family Service for all ages is next Sunday at 11am.

Mothering Sunday Flower Posies - Please come along to St Augustine's Parish Centre on Saturday 9th March at 10.30am

for an hour or so and help make flower posies for Mothering Sunday - everyone welcome. Please bring along some flowers and greenery / small leaf shrubbery if you can. For more information please contact Barbara on 01992 444253.

<u>Children's Church</u> is on 3rd Sundays. Children come to the Parish Centre during the first hymn and return before the end of the service. New children are very welcome to come and try it. Next one next Sunday!

Broxbourne Primary School Applications.

Please check information about the school's admissions criteria on the school's website. Any enquiries should be directed to the school. Please make sure you sign in on the sheets with your full name and phone number, every time you come in to either St Augustine's or St Laurence.

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