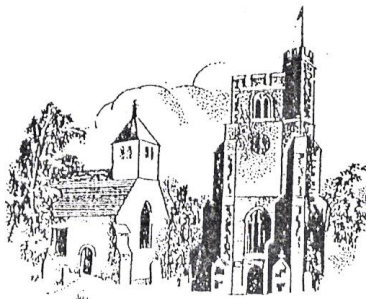


The Parish of Broxbourne with Wormley

Pews News Notice Sheet

2nd Sunday before Advent



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

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Registered Charity No. 1130305

**A very warm welcome to everyone here today,
both visitors and regulars.**

Parish Services today ~ 19th November 2023

9.30am Holy Communion

St Laurence

11am Holy Communion

St Augustine's

(children's group at both services)

Readings today ~ Colossians 1: 9-14 (p 1117) & Matthew 25: 14-30 (p 940)

Readers next week ~ Neville Townsend, Una Davies, Peter Lardi,

Pat Morton and David Payne

Readings for 26th Nov ~ Psalm 95: 1-7 (p 576) & Luke 19: 1-10 (p 994)

Collect Prayer for today

Heavenly Lord,

you long for the world's salvation:

stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess

and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed

in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Hearing loop in both churches

Next Sunday ~ 26th November

8am	Holy Communion	St Augustine's
9.30am	<i>Holy Communion</i>	St Laurence
11am	Holy Communion	St Augustine's
6pm	Contemporary Evening Service	St Augustine's

PARISH NOTICES FOR WEEK BEGINNING 19TH NOVEMBER 2023

Parish Lunch is today at 12.45pm in the Parish Centre.

Please Note St Augustine's and the Parish Centre will be closed on Tuesday 21st November for interviews.

Please Also Note the Parish Office will be closed next week, 20th-27th November.

HABS Christmas Appeal. HABS is again running an online Christmas Appeal for local struggling families. If you'd like to give in this way, please visit their Go Fund Me page to donate money for festive meal vouchers.

<https://gofund.me/361e8015>

They also have an Amazon wish list, where you can purchase gifts at varying prices and get them delivered direct to HABS;

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1RLN6Y4YS8ODA?leftNavSection=Shopping&ref_=aibs_inv_sl

See posters on noticeboards for details.

♪ Calling All Singers! Time is fast approaching when we start rehearsing for our carol services. As usual, we'd like to have an augmented choir. Anyone who can sing is welcome to join the parish choir for either or both carol services, which will be on 17th December at St Laurence and on Christmas Eve at St Augustine's, both at 6.30pm. Choir rehearsals will take place at 18 Roslyn Close on Fridays, the first one being on 24th November at 7.30pm, children and adults welcome. If you would like to join us, please contact **John Hyde**, parish organist & choirmaster on (01992) 465509, hydehaven@ntlworld.com or see him at the organ console at either church after the Sunday services.

The Christian Aid Christmas Quiz is available in church, so please buy your copy (£1 to Christian Aid). Donations welcome too! The theme this year is 'Transport of Delight', deadline 8th January to be in the running for a prize.



Quiz, Cuppa and Cake. Last Wednesday of the month in the Parish Centre 2.30–4pm, 29th November. All welcome. No meeting in December. For transport, please contact Judith on 01992 465509.

Christingle Services will be in the next Family Services on 3rd December and all are welcome, so please tell those who like to come to this service.



Oranges Needed! If you can donate a few oranges to be made into Christingles that would be much appreciated – you can bring them to the Parish Centre 29th Nov or 1st Dec. If you can help with the preparation of the Christingles, please see Sarah Welch in church or email her on sarahjwelch24@gmail.com

Advent Collection Boxes. Please take a collection box from the back of either church and return in early January. This appeal is for Embrace the Middle East, a charity which works with Christians in Egypt, Iraq, Syria, Lebanon and Israel/Palestine bringing vital healthcare and education services to those at risk of marginalization.

Advent Event. 2.30–5.30pm, Saturday 9th December at Augustine's. Children's activities, lucky dip, gifts, adopt a teddy, pick up a bargain book or toy, home-made cakes, enjoy seasonal refreshments with a friend / family. Bring your own mug and drinks are free!

Light up the tree at 4.30pm, sing carols round the tree, free mulled wine and mince pies. Set Mary & Joseph on their Advent journey. All profits to Embrace the Middle East. If you can help in any way please contact Judith 01992 465509 / hydehaven@ntlworld.com

Donations of tired teddies looking for a new home would be welcome!

Messy Church is Back! Mrs Gaiteri is happy to continue to lead it at Wormley Primary School, but we are looking for volunteers who could assist once per month with various activities. If you could help, or would like more information, please speak to Ash.

Rotas for Next Year. If you'd like to join the reading rota for any of our morning services (8am, 11am at St Augustine's or 9.30am at St Laurence), please contact Lynda Dray in the Parish Office as soon as possible, as it will soon be time to draw up the new rotas for next year. The commitment is not onerous, generally three or four times a year, but can be more or less.

Thursday Midweek Prayers. 1.15pm in the Chancel area of St Augustine's Church. This is open to anyone who wishes to observe, pray, be prayed for. We generally finish by 1.45pm. Prayer requests can be left in the basket on the prayer table (to the right of the altar).

Next Wednesday Afternoon Group. 2pm in the Parish Centre, all are invited to: **December 13th** (2nd Wednesday). Speaker to be confirmed.

Isabel Hospice Tonnes of Care Appeal. The donation van will be collecting from the Nigel Copping Community Building in Stanstead Abbots on Wednesday 29th November between 1-3pm. You can donate good quality bric-a-brac, vinyl records and jewellery to help raise funds.

Please pray for

- Those known to us needing prayer for health issues.
- The process of appointing a new incumbent.

St Augustine's Notices

Remembrance Sunday Collection raised an impressive **£422.26** for the Royal British Legion. Thank you for your generosity.

Church Heating. There are several faults with the heating system which we hope will be repaired soon. In the meantime, everyone is advised to find their winter woollies and coats to wear at Sunday services.

Children's Church is today and on 3rd Sundays. Children come to the Parish Centre during the first hymn and return before the end of the service. New children very welcome.

Children's Church Needs Helpers. If you can help occasionally, please speak to Sam Evans or Sarah Welch for further details. Volunteers will need to complete a DBS disclosure.

St Laurence Notices

Refreshments will be served after today's service and you are very welcome to stay for a cuppa and a chat.

Sunday School is today and on 3rd Sundays, new children very welcome.

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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