

The Parish of Broxbourne with Wormley
Pews News Notice Sheet
Advent Sunday



St Laurence ~ **A Fair Trade Parish** ~ St Augustine's
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**A very warm welcome to any visitors today; please
feel free to stay for refreshments afterwards.**



Parish Services Today ~ 1st December 2019

8am	<i>Holy Communion (BCP)</i>	<i>St Laurence</i>
9.30am	<i>Christingle Family Service for All Ages</i>	<i>St Laurence</i>
9.30am	<i>Christingle Family Service for All Ages</i>	<i>St Augustine's</i>
11am	<i>Family Communion & Christingle</i>	<i>St Augustine's</i>
6pm	<i>The Evening Service</i>	<i>St Augustine's</i>

Today's Readings:

Isaiah 64: 1-9 (p 712), Matthew 24: 36-44 (p 940)

Family Services ~ John 1: 1-14 (p 1004)

Readers next week: *Carol Lewis, Geoff Green, Patricia Braham,
Maggie Davenport, Judith Hyde and Janet McMillan*

Collect Prayer for today

Almighty God,

as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.



Hearing loop in both churches

Prayer for the 1st Sunday of Advent

All: God of Abraham and Sarah, and all the patriarchs of old, you are our Father too.

Your love is revealed to us in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of David. Help us in preparing to celebrate his birth to make our hearts ready for your Holy Spirit, to make his home among us. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the light who is coming into the world. Amen.

Next Sunday ~ 8th December

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	St Augustine's
9.30am	Holy Communion with Sunday School	St Laurence
9.30am	Morning Worship with Children's Church	St Augustine's
11am	Morning Worship with Children's Church	St Augustine's
6pm	The Evening Service	St Augustine's

PARISH NOTICES FOR WEEK BEGINNING 1ST DECEMBER 2019

Collection for The Children's Society will be taken during today's Christingle services.

Church Christmas Card Packs are now at the back of church, ready for delivery. Please pick up a pack or two and deliver the cards advertising our services to a street near you so that our local community knows what is going on when. *Thank you!*

Next Sunday at 4pm - There will be carol-singing, the yew tree will be lit, you can hang a star on the tree, the posada sets off on its house-to-house journey around the parish (sign up!) and there will be mulled wine & mince pies before the 6pm Evening Service at St Augustine's. All welcome from either end of the parish!

♪ **Children's & Youth Musical Number for Crib Service.** If you have a child or young person who would like to join the musical number for the Christmas Crib Service, please contact Revd Charles Hudson. The rehearsal will be on Saturday 14th December, 2-4pm in St Augustine's with Revd Grant, Jahn, Ara and Gemma. The Crib Service itself will be at 11am on Sunday 22nd December.

Ladies - Another Invitation - 'Mince Pie moments'. Enjoy some fun and singing at 8pm, Wednesday 4th December in the Parish Centre.

♪ **Christmas Choir Rehearsals.** The next rehearsal is at 18 Roslyn Close this Friday, 6th December at 7.30pm. All welcome, don't worry if you missed the first one. If you are interested, please see John Hyde at the organ console after the service.

John Hyde, Parish Organist & Choir Master.

Winter Night Shelter. If you'd like to volunteer to help at the Winter Night Shelter for a Saturday evening January-March, please contact Charles as soon as possible. Volunteer drivers are needed on a Saturday morning to collect the beds from the previous venue and bring them to St Augustine's.

Rotas for Next Year. If you'd like to join the reading rota for any of our morning services (especially 9.30am), please contact Lynda Dray in the Parish Office as soon as possible. The commitment is generally three or four times a year.

HABS: Helping Families in our Community. HABS is currently appealing for supermarket vouchers, which will be used to buy Christmas presents, as they currently don't have enough to cover all the families they help. You can bring any vouchers to the Parish Office and Crystal Martin will collect. *Thank you!*

Foodbank is low on long-life milk, cans of meat, fruit and veg. Please can you help?

The Annual Christian Aid Quiz. Have you got yours yet? Now available from Geoff Green, Debbie Bartlett and Kathleen Lord. This year's theme is Garden Gadgets. Suggested donation £1. Thinking caps on!

Going Green? Why not donate the cost of your Christmas cards to the Embrace Alternative Christmas Card at the back of both churches? More efficient and there won't be lots of still unclaimed cards in the New Year!

Parish Teatowels. A few teatowels are still available, price £4, suitable to send as Christmas presents! Contact Una Davies (441363).

Any Budding Flower Arrangers? If you'd like to have a go at doing a pedestal arrangement once per year at St Augustine's, please contact Lynda Dray on the office phone number or email

bwparishoffice@btinternet.com It's fun, no experience is necessary and help is available if you'd like it. Open to all!

Hitch Hikers Youth Group meets 6.30pm-8.30pm on Sunday evenings at the URC, Mill Lane. All youth welcome!

Prayer Meetings: St Augustine's Church – Monday & Friday meetings are suspended as the school is using the church for rehearsals. Tuesdays 9am at the Vicarage and Wednesdays 1.15pm at St Augustine's still on.

Please pray for

- Those known to us needing prayer for health issues, especially Grant Fensome, John Bailey, Derek Rumbelow and Sylvia Hall.
- Those recently bereaved, especially the families of the late Dennis Clayton and Jack Day.

St Laurence Notices

Thursday Prayer Walks. All are welcome to join the prayer walk starting at Wharf Road 9am approx. half an hour.

Christmas Services 2019



Sunday 22nd December

11am	Family Crib Service	St Augustine's
6.30pm	Nine Lessons and Carols	St Laurence

Tuesday 24th December – Christmas Eve

2.30pm	All Age Christmas Crib Service	St Laurence
2.30pm	Carols by Candlelight (child-friendly)	St Augustine's
4pm	Carols by Candlelight (child-friendly)	St Augustine's
6.30pm	Traditional Carols by Candlelight	St Augustine's
11.30pm	First Communion of Christmas	Both churches

Wednesday 25th December – Christmas Day

9.15am	Family Communion	St Laurence
10.30am	Family Communion	St Augustine's

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Broxbourne Primary School Applications.

The school's admissions criteria are clearly set out in the blue school information leaflets, available from the school and in church. **Please ensure you check these. Any enquiries should be directed to the school.** At St Augustine's the church attendance books for signing are available after the 9.30 and 11.00 services in the Parish Centre. If you're attending an 8.00 or 18.00 service, please speak to the minister afterwards. At St Laurence it is at the back of church, on the table beside the font.