

The Parish of Broxbourne with Wormley  
**Pews News Notice Sheet**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**



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 ~ 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2019**

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

**Today's Readings:**

*Isaiah 7: 1-16 (p 657), Matthew 1: 18-end (p 913)*

**Reader next week:** *Mandy Wheelhouse*

**Collect Prayer for today**

Eternal God,  
as Mary waited for the birth of your Son,  
so we wait for his coming in glory;  
bring us through the birth pangs of this present age to see, with her, our  
great salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.



Hearing loop in both churches

## Prayer for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

*All:* God our Father,  
the angel Gabriel told the Virgin Mary that she was to be the mother  
of your Son. Though Mary was afraid, she responded to your call with joy.  
Help us, whom you call to serve you, to share like her in your great work  
of bringing to our world your love and healing.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ, the light who is coming into the world.  
Amen.

## Next Sunday ~ 29<sup>th</sup> December

11am United Parish Family Communion St Augustine's  
*Please note - the only service in the parish that day*

## **Collect prayer for the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Christmas**

God in Trinity,  
eternal unity of perfect love:  
gather the nations to be one family, and draw us into your holy life  
through the birth of Emmanuel, our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Amen.

## PARISH NOTICES FOR WEEK BEGINNING 22<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER 2019

**Thank You** to those who have decorated the churches for Christmas, put up the tree and candles, delivered cards and who will be on duty for all our special Christmas services. Thank you all for playing a part at this time of year when we welcome so many visitors to church.

**Thank You** to those who came to help assemble the orders of service for the Christmas Eve carols by candlelight service. *Lynda Dray*

**Save the Children Thanks.** Last Sunday's retiring collections marking the centenary of the charity raised **£122.58**. Thank you for your generosity. *Anne Lowe*

**Embrace The Middle East Alternative Christmas Card** is at the back of the church. If you want to go green and use this instead of writing lots of individual cards, please sign it & make a donation to Embrace. More efficient and there won't be lots of unclaimed cards in church in the New Year! Please don't leave cards in church for people to collect. Thank you.

**More Thanks!** Thank you to all those who have kindly brought items for Foodbank or for HABS recently.

**The Annual Christian Aid Quiz.** Have you got yours yet? Available from Geoff Green, Debbie Bartlett and Kathleen Lord. This year's theme is Garden Gadgets. Suggested donation £1. Results in the New Year.

**Prayer Meetings** take a break until week beginning Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January.

### **Please pray for**

- Those who find this time of year sad or difficult.
- Those known to us needing prayer for health issues, especially Grant Fensome, Mary Sales, John Bailey, John Morton and Sylvia Hall.
- Those recently bereaved, especially the families of the late Dennis Clayton, James Instone and Stuart Wilson.

### **St Laurence Notices**

**Carol Service.** Please spread the word about our traditional service of Nine Lessons and Carols, which is at 6.30pm TONIGHT, 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec. It's always a lovely service to invite people to – don't forget to bring a torch!

**Crib Service** – Christmas Eve at 2.30pm and all are welcome at this family-friendly service. Bring friends! See below for details of the other Christmas services.

**New Rotas for 2020** please make sure you get your copy from Chris or Linda or, if you'd like an electronic version, please email Lynda Dray at the office. *Thanks Lynda.*

### **St Augustine's Notices**

**Christmas Eve Carol Services.** Please check the various times of the services and invite family and friends; there's plenty of choice!

**Children's Church at 9.30am** needs some more helpers; if you can help now and then, please see Naomi Fensome. Thank you!

### **Christmas Services 2019**



#### **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December**

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

#### **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> 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 25<sup>th</sup> 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.