

The Parish of Broxbourne with Wormley

Pews News Notice Sheet

2nd Sunday before Advent



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

www.stlaurencewormley.org.uk

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

Parish Services Today ~ 17th November 2024

9.30am *Joint Holy Communion with Wormley Free Church*

at St Laurence

11am Holy Communion

St Augustine's

(children's groups at both services)

Readings today ~ *Revelation 21: 1-8 (p 1181) & Luke 21: 5-19 (p 997)*

Readers next week ~ *Neville Townsend, Una Davies, Patricia Braham,
Mandy Wheelhouse and Laura Dix*

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 ~ 24th November

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

St Augustine's

9.30am Holy Communion

St Laurence

11am Holy Communion

St Augustine's

PARISH NOTICES FOR WEEK BEGINNING 17TH NOVEMBER 2024

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

♪ **Do You Like Singing Carols?** Time is fast approaching when we start rehearsing for our carol services. As usual, we like to have an augmented choir. Anyone who can sing is welcome to join the parish choir for either or both carol services (22nd Dec at St Laurence, 24th Dec at St Augustine's.) Choir rehearsals will take place on Fridays at 7.30pm at 18 Roslyn Close, Broxbourne, the first one is **Friday 29th November**. Children & adults are all welcome. If you would like to join us, please contact **John Hyde**, parish organist & choirmaster, on (01992) 465509, hydehaven@ntlworld.com or at the organ console at either church.

The Christian Aid 25th Anniversary Quiz on the theme of Silver is now available in church from today, so please buy your copy from Kathleen Lord, Geoff Green or Iris Banerjee. Regular quizzers will notice we have a change of style this year! £1 to Christian Aid per quiz, donations very welcome too.



Bereavement Support Group Meets on Wednesday 20th November at 2.30-4pm in the Parish Centre. All are welcome to drop in for a cuppa and chat. See flyers in church (either in the pews or at the back of church).



NO Midweek Prayers on Thursday 21st November this week.

URC Christmas Market. You are invited to the Christmas Market at the URC Broxbourne on Saturday 23 November 10.30am-2pm. Home baking & preserves, gorgeous gifts, plants, toys, £1 stall, vintage and pre-loved treasures, glorious glass, china & jewellery. Many guest craft stalls Delicious refreshments & light lunches in our cosy cafe. Free entry. 10% of proceeds to Young Life Hoddesdon.

♪ **Hoddesdon's Big Carol Sing** ♪. If you'd like to join the Churches Together Carol Singers as part of the Hoddesdon Loves Christmas event on **Sunday 24th November**, please come to the stage by the Clock Tower for **2pm** (singing 2.15-3pm). Feel free to wear Christmas attire! Accompanied by Enfield Brass Band.

There will be another opportunity to sing carols at the Clock Tower, Hoddesdon on Saturday 7th December at 11am. All welcome!

Christingle Services will be in the next Family Services on 1st December and all are welcome. Help will be needed to prepare the Christingles, so keep a lookout for details of how & when to help.



Advertising in the Parish Magazine. If you or your family or friends have a local business which might benefit from advertising in our monthly parish magazine Roundabout, please ring me on 01992 464000 or drop me an email. *Thank you, Kathleen* (kathleentlord@aol.com)

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.

HABS Christmas Appeal. Once again, we'd like to support HABS, who are based at Wormley Primary School, with their appeal to help local families who struggle at this time of year. If you'd like to purchase items, they have an Amazon wishlist that you can access here:

<https://amzn.eu/ah9GuHj>

Items can be delivered straight to HABS at EN10 6QA. They also have a GoFundMe page for donations: <https://gofund.me/86485e51>

Each parcel they send includes a list of the organisations that have supported the appeal.

🎵 Christmas Around the World. Enjoy a festive international musical tour with the Broxbourne Community Choir & the Children's Choir of St Augustine's Hoddesdon. Saturday 7th December at 3pm at Christ Church, Ware, SG12 7BS. Tickets are £10 for Adults with children under 16 FREE. Raffle with proceeds going to Mudlarks, a local charity supporting adults with learning disabilities and mental health concerns.

Did You Know? Our churches are on Facebook and we are now on Instagram as well. Please have a look, like and share!

Asylum Seekers Need warm coats, umbrellas, baby clothes, toys, colouring books. Please place donations in the dedicated box under the Children's Church activities board in church. *Thank you.*

Diocesan Vacancies. The Diocese is currently advertising for two roles – Diocesan Director of Education and Church Growth Officer (0.5). Closing date noon on 28th November. Further details on their website on the links below: <https://www.stalbansdiocese.org/vacancies/directorofeducation/>
<https://www.stalbansdiocese.org/vacancies/cgo/>

Roundabout Magazine. November and December issues both out now. Don't forget you can pick up a copy of the parish magazine in church as you enter/leave, it's full of local information and is a bargain at just 50p!

YoungLife. Are your children aged 11 - 18? Would they be interested in viewing a Young Life meeting? Ask Judith for more details - hydehaven@ntlworld.com

Foodbank. Can you bring a tin or UHT milk for the Foodbank? Seasonal food donations welcomed until 16th December.

Please pray for

- Those known to us needing prayer for health issues.
- Those families recently bereaved.

St Laurence Notices

Sunday School is today and on a 3rd Sunday. 1st Sundays are Family Communion services; of course, families are welcome any week though! **Refreshments** will be served after today's service and you are very welcome to stay for a cuppa and a chat.

St Augustine's Notices

Refreshments Today after the service, please come to the Parish Centre for a cuppa!

The Remembrance Sunday Collection for the Royal British Legion came to **£459.30**. Thank you for your generosity.

Lost Property? Have you lost a ladies' black velour jacket/cardigan? It was found outside the Vicarage and is in the Parish Office waiting for its owner .

Flourish! Our new Children's Group Flourish will be on **each 2nd and 3rd Sunday** of the month. Our Family Services will continue to be on 1st Sundays. Families welcome any week obviously!

Children Church Helpers. If you'd like to take a turn occasionally helping in the children's groups, especially as we are trying to increase our provision for children's activities, please let Judith, Sam or Lynda know. Children's Church helpers are DBS checked.

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.**

Contacts

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