

The Parish of Broxbourne with Wormley

Pews News Notice Sheet

3rd Sunday of Lent



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

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A very warm welcome to our friends from Wormley Free Church joining us at St Laurence today and to everyone else, both visitors and regulars.

Parish Services Today ~ 3rd March 2024

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

Readings today ~ at St Laurence ~ *Ephesians 5: 8-20 (p 1111)*

~ at St Augustine's ~ *Psalm 139: 1-6 & 13-18 (p 599)*

Readers next week ~ *Liz Perry, Geoff Lee, Patricia Braham, Richard Lord and Pat Morton*

Collect Prayer for today

Eternal God,

give us insight to discern your will for us,

to give up what harms us and to seek the perfection we are promised in

Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Hearing loop in both churches

Next Sunday 10th March ~ Mothering Sunday

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	St Augustine's
9.30am	<i>Holy Communion (CW)</i>	<i>St Laurence</i>
11am	Holy Communion (CW)	St Augustine's
6pm	Contemporary Service	St Augustine's



PARISH NOTICES FOR WEEK BEGINNING 3RD MARCH 2024

Lent Course Continues 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.

Watch & Pray Lent Reflections. 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.

Wednesday Afternoon Group 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!

Diocesan Vacancies. 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/>

Hoedown for YoungLife! 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 vcramphorn@ylinternational.org

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

Palm Sunday Fun! Broxbourne Primary School PTA is organizing an Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday 24th March from 12noon-3pm in the Recreation Ground opposite St Augustine's. The egg hunt will be set in the vicinity of the church and the rec and all from church are welcome to participate in the family-friendly fun, following the morning service.



Bishop Alan's Garden Now Closed. Bishop Alan has decided not to open the garden on the next Sundays, as the snowdrops have already almost finished and due to the wet weather, the lawn needs time to recover. Over **£2000** has been raised for the Beds & Herts Historic Churches Trust by visitors to the garden this spring.

Embrace the Middle East Talk. 'Christ Under the Rubble' by Revd Dr Munther Isaac on youtube. Recorded at Bloomsbury Central Baptist Church on the first Sunday in Lent.

Watch the vigil: <https://youtu.be/YKDK2UT63iU>

Direct link to the start of the sermon:

<https://youtu.be/YKDK2UT63iU&t=667>

Jesus is in the rubble with the dead, the injured, the marginalised, the hungry, those who mourn, the aid workers, those who campaign for peace and justice, those who speak out their Christian faith.

Wednesday Afternoon Group. What kind of a **Summer Fair** would you like to come to on **July 13th**? Please send your ideas, offers of help to Una & Judith and / or come to a meeting at 2pm on Wednesday 20th March in the Parish Office. Tel. 441363 / hydehaven@ntlworld.com

Girlguiding. 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 www.girlguiding.org.uk

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, bake a cake 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! Thank you to those who have kindly offered their help.

Parish Magazine. 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.

Please pray for

- Hannah Reed and Arthur Koupland being baptized this weekend, and for their parents and godparents.
- Those known to us needing prayer for health issues.
- Those recently bereaved.

St Laurence Notices

Welcome to Wormley Free Church! Our service today will be a joint service with Wormley Free Church. Please stay for a chat and a coffee after the service.

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

St Augustine's Notices

Refreshments Today after the 11am service, so please stay for a cuppa!

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.



Children's Church 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.

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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