



Today	Said Mass (pre-booking essential)	9.30 am
Sunday	Church Open for Individual Private Prayer	2.00 – 4.00 pm
18 th October	Said Evensong on Zoom	6.30 pm
<i>Luke the Evangelist</i>		
Wednesday	Staff Meeting on Zoom	9.00 am
21 st October	Said Mass (pre-booking essential)	11.00 am
	Children's Society Filming in Church	12 noon
Thursday	Church Open for Individual Private Prayer	10am – 12 noon
22 nd October		
Saturday	Morning Prayer and Coffee on Zoom	10.45 am
24 th October		
Next Sunday	Said Mass (pre-booking essential)	9.30 am
25 th October	Church Open for Individual Private Prayer	2.00 – 4.00 pm
<i>Bible Sunday</i>	Said Evensong on Zoom	6.30 pm
Tuesday	Church Building Improvements Committee Meeting in Church	10.30 am
27 th October		
Wednesday	Staff Meeting on Zoom	9.00 am
28 th October	Said Mass (pre-booking essential)	11.00 am
Thursday	Church Open for Individual Private Prayer	10am – 12 noon
29 th October		
Saturday	Morning Prayer and Coffee on Zoom	10.45 am
31 st October		
<i>Saturday Pathsweepers: 31st October – Mowat and Lillington</i>		

NOTICES

Personnel updates: The Bishop of Barking has approved the extension of Fr Roy's licence to serve as our Associate Priest until October 2022. We are still in the process of recruiting a new Director of Music, but in the meantime our Assistant Organist Nigel Lockwood will be Acting Director of Music.

On All Saints' Sunday, 1st November, we welcome The Venerable Christopher Burke, Archdeacon of Barking to our Mass at 9.30am where he will preside and preach for us.

Commemoration of All Souls', Sunday 1st November: It is not possible to offer our usual evening service for All Souls', however, we still wish to remember in prayer those now apart from us through death. Between the hours of 2pm and 4pm the church will be open for private prayer and at 2.30pm and 3.30pm Fr Roy and Revd Susannah will say prayers for the departed and light candles. If you would like people included please give their name(s) to Joanne Chapman, Fr Roy or Revd Susannah (see back page for contact details).

Christmas is coming and we're thinking ahead. We know we can't hold our usual Crib Services on Christmas Eve, but we are planning to welcome people into church on Christmas Eve afternoon to light a candle, view the crib and leave a present under the tree, using a socially distanced one way system. For this, we shall need **PLENTY** of stewards. Would **ANYONE** who could spare some time between 2.30 and 5.30pm on Christmas Eve please contact Joanne in the Parish Office or Jean on 01708 223183. There's also Midnight Mass and Christmas morning to consider. Volunteers to steward these will also be gratefully received! Thank you!

Giving to St Laurence: Donations to the life of the church, of money or time, are hugely appreciated and ensure that we can continue our mission and ministry.

If you would like to make a financial donation, this can be done by bank transfer, cash or cheque. Please bring cash or cheques (payable to 'PCC of Upminster') to church, or contact Susannah who will arrange for collection from your home. Bank transfers can be made to the following account:
Account name: PCC of Upminster. Sort code: 60-22-06. Account number: 13064185. If you would like to set up or amend a standing order to the church, please contact the Parish Office.

If you currently give by weekly envelope and are finding this difficult during the pandemic, please contact the Parish Office.

We rely on the offering of time and talents to provide much of our ministry. If you would be interested in volunteering in an area of church life/outreach, please contact Susannah.

Charity of the Month: For the foreseeable future it will not be possible for St Laurence Church to nominate a charity of the month. However, we do ask that each of you consider donating directly to support charities that still need your help. St Laurence Church has a long tradition of supporting The Children's Society, whose work supporting vulnerable children and young people has been more needed than ever during the pandemic. You can donate online at: <https://www.childrensociety.org.uk/how-you-can-help/donate>. Or you can post a cheque payable to 'The Children's Society'

to: Freepost RSYH-HEEE-XZEG, The Children's Society, 50 Banner Street, London, EC1Y 8ST (please do not post cash). Or they will take donations over the phone if you call: 0300 303 7000.

Ride & Stride 2020: This event is organised on behalf of the Friends of Essex Churches Trust in aid of funding repairs and essential improvements to churches. Thank you to members of the congregation who have already kindly supported our four parish walkers. 50% of the funding we raise will be allocated to St Laurence's own Building Fabric Fund. If you have not yet supported us there are sponsorship forms at the back of the church. If you have not yet returned to church you can phone me on 01708 457578, email me at: robertbrabner@icloud.com or contact Joanne Chapman in the Parish Office for a copy of the form. (*Rob Brabner*)

FROM THE LECTIONARY

SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2020, LUKE THE EVANGELIST

Morning worship: 2 Timothy 4:5-17; Luke 10:1-9

Evening worship: Psalm 103; Ecclesiasticus 38:1-14; Colossians 4:7-end

Collect of the day: Almighty God, you called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: by the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your Church the same love and power to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2020, BIBLE SUNDAY

Morning worship: Colossians 3:12-17; Matthew 24:30-35

Evening worship: Psalm 119:89-104; Ecclesiasties 11-12; 2 Timothy 2:1-7

Collect of the day: Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The following weekday lectionary can be used in conjunction with the booklet 'Worship at Home' if you wish to use different readings each day, along with the collect, where applicable, specific to the day.

MONDAY 19TH OCTOBER, Henry Martyn, translator, missionary, 1812

Morning worship: Psalm 98; 2 Kings 17:24-end; Philippians 1:1-11

Evening worship: Psalm 105; 1 Maccabees 6:1-17 or 2 Chronicles 26:1-21; John 13:1-11

Collect of the day: Almighty God, who by your Holy Spirit gave Henry Martyn a longing to tell the good news of Christ and skill to translate the Scriptures: by the same Spirit give us grace to offer you our gifts, wherever you may lead, at whatever the cost; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER

Morning prayer: Psalm 106; 2 Kings 18:1-12; Philippians 1:12-end

Evening prayer: Psalm 107; 1 Maccabees 6:18-47 or 2 Chronicles 28; John 13:12-20

WEDNESDAY 21ST OCTOBER

Morning prayer: Psalm 111; 2 Kings 18:13-end; Philippians 2:1-13

Evening prayer: Psalm 119:129-152; 1 Maccabees 7:1-20 or 2 Chronicles 29:1-19; John 13:21-30

THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER

Morning prayer: Psalm 115; 2 Kings 19:1-19; Philippians 2:14-end

Evening prayer: Psalm 116; 1 Maccabees 7:21-end or 2 Chronicles 29:20-end; John 13:31-end

FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER

Morning prayer: Psalm 139; 2 Kings 19:20-36; Philippians 3:1-4:1

Evening prayer: Psalm 130; 1 Maccabees 9:1-22 or 2 Chronicles 30; John 14:1-14

SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER

Morning prayer: Psalm 121; 2 Kings 20; Philippians 4:2-end

Evening prayer: Psalm 118; 1 Maccabees 13:41-end, 14:4-15 or 2 Chronicles 32:1-22; Jon 14:15-end

MONDAY 26TH OCTOBER, Alfred, king, scholar, 899; *Cedd, abbot, bishop, 664*

Morning prayer: Psalm 126; 2 Kings 21:1-18; 1 Timothy 1:1-17

Evening prayer: Psalm 127; 2 Macabees 4:7-17 or 2 Chronicles 33:1-13; John 15:1-11

Collect of the day: God, our maker and redeemer, we pray you of your great mercy and by the power of your holy cross to guide us by your will and to shield us from our foes: that, after the example of your servant Alfred we may inwardly love you above all things; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

TUESDAY 27TH OCTOBER

Morning prayer: Psalm 132; 2 Kings 22:1-23:3; 1 Timothy 1:18-end of 2

Evening prayer: Psalm 135; 2 Macabees 6:12-end or 2 Chronicles 34:1-18; John 15:12-17

WEDNESDAY 28TH OCTOBER, SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES

Morning prayer: Psalm 116; Wisdom 5:1-16 or Isaiah 45:18-end; Luke 6:12-16

Evening prayer: Psalm 119:1-16; 1 Maccabees 2:42-66 or Jeremiah 3:11-18; Jude 1-4, 17-end

Collect of the day: Almighty God, who built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Jesus Christ himself as the chief cornerstone: so join us together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THURSDAY 29TH OCTOBER, James Hannington, bishop, martyr, 1885

Morning prayer: Psalm 143; 2 Kings 23:36-24:17; 1 Timothy 4

Evening prayer: Psalm 138; 2 Maccabees 7:20-41 or 2 Chronicles 35:1-19; John 16:1-15

Collect of the day: Most merciful God, who strengthened your Church by the steadfast courage of your martyr James Harrington: grant that we also, thankfully remembering his victory of faith, may overcome what is evil and glorify your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FRIDAY 30TH OCTOBER

Morning prayer: Psalm 144; 2 Kings 24:18-25:12; 1 Timothy 5:1-16

Evening prayer: Psalm 145; Tobit 1 or 2 Chronicles 35:20-36:10; John 16:16-22

SATURDAY 31ST OCTOBER, *Martin Luther, reformer, 1546*

Morning prayer: Psalm 147; 2 Kings 25:22-end; 1 Timothy 5:17-end

1st Evening prayer or All Saints' Day: Psalm 1; Ecclesiasticus 44:1-15 or Isaiah 40:27-end; Revelation 19:6-10

Collect of the day: Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Congratulations!



St Laurence Church wish to congratulate
Pat and Alan Twine
as they celebrate their Diamond Wedding Anniversary
on Thursday 29th October.



May your day be as special as the day you made your vows to each other.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Special concern:

Sunday 18th and Wednesday 28th October: Yvonne Rattley, Pat Silverlock, Agnes Trievner, Pam, Hayden Keeling, Stewart Ranson, Alan Evens, Edie Jackson, Daisy-May White, Annie Phillips, Doris Harding, Christine Coleman.

Wednesday 21st and Sunday 25th October: Edgar Iffland, Michael McSweeney, Lorna Wells, Jean Clements, Poppy and Thomas, Katie Louise Tape, Ellen Stone, Maurice Purver, Pearl Clifton, Kathleen Jones, Bernard, Daniel, Jeffrey.

Long term concern:

Wednesday 21st October: John Herbert, Jean Biggs, Betty McAteer, Penny Hale, Phyllis Knight, Denise Comer, Margaret Turner.

Wednesday 28th October: Alison Jervis, Ann Gospage, Ivy Oliver, Freya Risdon, Doris Blanking, Rosalind Manley, Diane Taylor.

Those who would normally receive Holy Communion at home:

Sunday 18th October: Pauline Wheeler and other residents of Freshfields Home, Phyllis Knight.

Wednesday 21st October: Residents of Derham House Nursing Home.

Wednesday 28th October: Margaret Roome, Jean Cant, Dorothy Sykes, Vera Richards, Brenda Taylor.

Anniversaries of the departed:

Sunday 18th October: Donald Baker (Priest), Dorothea Baker, Kevin Harris, Lilian Sharp, David Pike, Richard Hennessy, Sid Cardy, Dora Collins, David Hall, Audrey Comer, Norman Ward, William Sharp, Betty Reeves, May Lawes, Bill Jordon, Florence Smith, Richard Drozdowski, Florence Masterson.

Sunday 25th October: Dora Collins, David Hall, Audrey Comer, Norman Ward, William Sharp, Betty Reeves, May Lawes, Bill Jordon, Florence Smith, Richard Drozdowski, Florence Masterson, Nancy Rowe, Richard Marrable, Wilfred Murrell, John Bowman, Johanna Cox.

Please remember those who mourn.

Continued over....

Other prayers: Give thanks for evangelists and those who translate and share the gospel.

Pray for those training to be our future doctors and nurses.

Pray for those who put themselves in danger to bring medical services to those living in remote areas and places of war.

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Time for God Prayer Diary

If you would like to receive the monthly 'Time for God Prayer Diary' which includes daily readings and prayer intentions, or would like further information regarding it, please email Joanne in the Parish Office. If you would like to suggest any content for use in the Prayer Diary, please contact Nick Butler at nickbutlerupm@gmail.com or phone him on 07792123630.