



13th April 2025 *Palm Sunday*

Welcome to Saint Laurence.

Adventurers (groups for children and young people) meet during the 9.30 am Mass. Today, this will be after the procession. Activity packs and children's service books are available from the back of church.

You are warmly invited to stay for refreshments in the Main Hall after the 9.30 Mass.

Today	Holy Communion with Reading of the Passion	8.00 am
Palm Sunday	Liturgy of the Palms in Main Hall, Procession and Sung	
13 th April	Parish Mass with Reading of the Passion	9.30 am
<i>(Holy Week begins today)</i>	Compline on Zoom	6.30 pm
Monday	Children's Service in Derham Hall	10.30 am
14 th April		
Tuesday	Organ Teaching	2.00 pm
15 th April	Evening Prayer	4.30 pm
Wednesday	Morning Prayer, Lady Chapel	8.45 am
16 th April	Staff Meeting, Parish Office	9.00 am
	Said Mass, Lady Chapel	11.00 am
	Evening Prayer	4.30 pm
Maundy	Chrism Mass, Chelmsford Cathedral	11.00 am
Thursday	Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Watch	
17 th April	until 10pm	8.00 pm
Good Friday	Walk of Witness from Upminster Methodist Church	10.00 am
18 th April	Churches Together Service in Upminster Park or Trinity	
	Church if wet weather	10.30 am
	Children's Good Friday Activities, Main Hall	12-3.00 pm
	Liturgy of the Day in Church	2.00 pm
Holy Saturday	Organ Teaching	9.30 am
19 th April	Easter Vigil	8.00 pm
Next Sunday	Holy Communion	8.00 am
Easter Day	Sung Parish Mass	9.30 am
20 th April	No Evening Service today	

Compline reading this Sunday: Isaiah 5:1-7

Mass readings next Sunday: Isaiah 25:6-9; Acts 10:34-43; John 20:1-18

Saturday Pathsweepers: 19th – Mowat and Masterson. **Coffee:** 20th – Joan, Christine and Julie

Please let Revd Susannah, Revd Neil or Deborah Masterson know of anyone who is ill or in need of a pastoral visit, or housebound and wanting to receive the sacrament at home – or if you would appreciate a conversation or visit for any reason.

NOTICES

APCM Report booklets are available today. Please take one from the back of church as you leave. The date for this year's APCM is Sunday 27th April, after the 9.30am Mass. If you would be interested in standing to be a member of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) or as a Deanery Synod representative, please speak to Susannah, Jean Keen, Cheryl Hale or any other member of the current PCC.

The Church Car Park will be closed for most of the day on Tuesday, 15th April for re-marking.

We will need donations of greenery to dress the Altar of Repose on Maundy Thursday. Please leave donations in the tower area on Tuesday 15th or Wednesday 16th April, thank you.

If you would like to make a donation towards Easter lilies, please give the money to one of the Churchwardens or Clergy.

People are needed to have a foot washed on Maundy Thursday, 17th April, at the 8pm service and to stay for the watch afterwards, which, due to the current lack of heating, will be until 10pm only.

We will be decorating Church for Easter on Holy Saturday, 19th April, starting at 9am. Please see Jean Keen or Cheryl Hale if you are able to help.

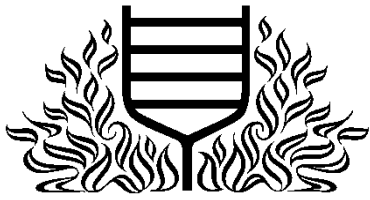
Readers are needed on Holy Saturday, 19th April, at 8pm. If you can volunteer, please speak with Susannah or sign up on the forms on the cabinet at the back of church.

There is no Friday Coffee Morning this week due to the Good Friday Children's Activities in the Main Hall. If your child/children would like to join in all or part of the time please see Deborah Masterson or a member of the Clergy today.

We will be holding short Easter Services at Little Gaynes Home on Thursday 24th April at 11am, Derham House Nursing Home on Tuesday 29th April at 10.30am and at The Oaks Home on Tuesday 6th May at 10.30am. If you feel you can support one or all of these events please speak to Susannah.

Paul O'Neill will be confirmed at the Deanery Confirmation Service on Sunday 27th April at 4pm in St Nicholas Church, Elm Park. If you would like to support Paul by attending the service, please speak with Susannah or Jean Keen.

Please consult notice boards under the tower and in the porch for other notices and further information



AT THE MASS

13th April 2025

Palm Sunday

Setting

St Anne's Mass - MacMillan

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God,
who in your tender love towards the human race
sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
to take upon him our flesh
and to suffer death upon the cross:
grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility,
and also be made partakers of his resurrection;
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.**

Isaiah 50:4-9a

The servant of the Lord said:

The Lord God has given me
the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he wakens—
wakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.

The Lord God has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backwards.

I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;

I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.

The Lord God helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;

therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
he who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.
It is the Lord God who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

Offertory hymn	147 My song is love unknown
Anthem	God so loved the world from The Crucifixion Text: John 3: 16. Music: John Stainer
Communion hymns	154 There is a green hill far away 838 Jesus, remember me (<i>Repeat 5 times</i>)
Final hymn	161 Ride on, ride on in majesty
Organ Voluntary	Le Prie-Dieu – George Oldroyd

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Prayer request forms are available at the back of church. Please use them if you wish us to pray for someone.

Sunday: Neil Parsons, Alice Sarpong, Elizabeth Medley, Gillian Clayton, Anne Hendra, Pam Chapman, Mary Ann Madden, Rosalind Manley, Charles Osmond, Simon Pols, Brian Shaw, James Tape, Rosemary Watkins, Glynis Whiting, Sylvia Wilson, Camilla Jackson, Alan Butcher.

Wednesday: Denise Comer, Baby Charles, Bob Bossey, Doreen, Michael Folkes, Mary Greig, Fr Tom Keighley, Stanley Oliver, Alan Jones, Sandra Clarke, Michael McSweeney, Delyse Maggs, Terry Evens.

Additional Prayers: All those receiving Home Communion. Paul O'Neill preparing for Confirmation.

Anniversaries of the departed: Ivy Brame, Joan Menah, Kathleen Jones, Jimmy Turner, Gladys May, Bess Jones, Ruth Iffland, Tom Smith, Elizabeth Mann, Alan Skipper, Sidney Haffenden, Don Pusey, Jenny Jennings.

CHARITY OF THE MONTH

APRIL: WATERAID

Donation envelopes are available at the back of church.

WaterAid, 6th Floor, 20 Canada Square, London, E14 5NN.

Registration number: 288701



DONATIONS

A cash collection will be taken during Sunday morning services for church funds, which support our mission and ministry including the upkeep of this historic site. If you do not carry cash, we also have a card machine located by the main door which can be used before or after the service.

If you are a UK taxpayer, please consider Gift Aiding your donation - either via the machine or (for cash) using the envelope available in the pew. This means that your donation will be worth more to the church but at no extra cost to you.

If you would like information about joining our Planned Giving scheme, leaflets are available from the back of church.

Thank you - whatever you feel disposed to give will be thankfully received and faithfully applied.

EASYFUNDRAISING

The church is registered (as St Laurence Church, Upminster) on easyfundraising.org.uk - if you register an account, select the church as a cause and download the web browser extension then every time you spend money on many retail websites and have activated the extension, a percentage of your spend will be donated to St Laurence at no cost to you. The individual amounts are small but every little adds up - please help us via this route if you can.

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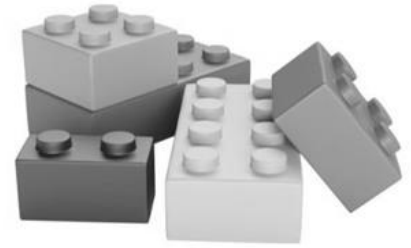
If you would like to know about sponsorship, please pick up a leaflet from the back of church or speak to Jean and Cheryl (Churchwardens), Susannah (Rector) or Joanne (Parish Administrator).

WESTMINSTER ABBEY PARISH PASS

If you would like to use the Parish Pass to visit Westminster Abbey please contact Joanne in the Parish Office. The pass admits up to 4 people free of charge to the Abbey.



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THE PARISH CHURCH OF UPMINSTER**



BUILDING FAITH

**A new, informal early morning service
for primary school aged children
with their parents/carers**

**Refreshments, prayer, Bible story
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**First Sundays (4th May, 1st June, 6th July)
8am-8.45am
Main Hall, St Laurence Church**

**For more information please contact the Parish Office:
parish.office@upminsterparish.co.uk
01708 220696**





QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 17th May,

7:15 for 7.30pm

Main Hall, St Laurence Church

£8 per person

Tables of 8

Bring your own food and drink

In aid of the St Laurence Church Building
Improvements Project

ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL - Please
contact 01708 220696 or
parish.office@upminsterparish.co.uk by
14th May.

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Open: Tue. 3.30-6pm, Wed. 9-11am (Staff Meeting), Thur. 9-11.30am.

(NB. Closed Tuesday 22nd April)

Hall Bookings Becky Perchard

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Welcome to the Parish Church of Upminster. If we have not met you before, do introduce yourself. If you wish, give these details to one of the officials.

Name

Telephone

**Revd Susannah sends a weekly email about services, news and events.
Please email her if you would like to receive her emails.**