

## SAINT LAURENCE

Last Thursday August 10th, we remembered one of our patron saints, Laurence.

Lawrence was chief among the seven deacons who served the Roman Church during the mid-third century. The young cleric held a position of great trust, caring for the goods of the Church and distributing its alms among the poor. He was arrested under the Emperor Valerian in 258, laid upon a gridiron and slowly roasted to death. Lawrence rejoiced in his awful martyrdom and died praying for the conversion of the city of Rome, in the hope that from it the faith of Christ might spread throughout the world.

The annual Perseid meteor shower, one of the best known of the annually occurring meteor showers, and which occurs near his feast day in August, is sometimes called "The tears of St. Laurence" in Italy.

### THE SAINT LAURENCE WINDOW



The picture on the left shows St. Laurence in the South aisle of our church. It is in memory of FO Cyril Thomas Collier, Lawrence William Garfield, Kenneth Stanley Judd, three members of the Young Peoples Club who died in World War Two. St Laurence is seen standing in Italianate scenery on the symbol of his martyrdom, the gridiron. The left window has a central wreath of laurel leaves surrounding the badge of the Young Peoples Club. The small panes show the crest and initials of the Royal Air Force.

If you're shopping online this week, please sign up to support F&L Church with easyfundraising. It doesn't cost a penny extra and you'll be helping to make a difference.

[www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stfaithandstlaurence](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stfaithandstlaurence)

**Parish Website:** [www.saintfaithandsaintlaurence.co.uk](http://www.saintfaithandsaintlaurence.co.uk)



#### For Visitors and those not in the Planned Giving Scheme:

If you intend to make a contribution to our collection today and you are an Income Tax payer, please maximise your giving by using one of our **Gift Aid** envelopes which are located in the pews. **It is important that you give your name and address, and sign and date the envelope.** Thank you.

## The Parish Church of St. Faith and St. Laurence Harborne

Sunday 13th August 2017

### THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

A welcome to everyone especially if you are here for the first time or you haven't been to church for a while.

Refreshments will be served in the hall after the 10 am service, so please do stay.

### TODAY'S SERVICES

#### 8.00 am Holy Communion

Readings:

I Kings 19.9-18

Old Testament p 336

Romans 10.5-15

New Testament p 156

Matthew 14.22-33

New Testament p 15

#### 10.00 am Morning Praise and Baptism

Special Order of Service

#### 6.30 pm Sung Eucharist

Readings as at 8am

Hymns

426 Firmly I believe and truly

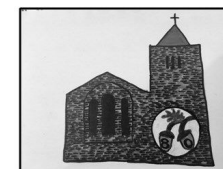
515 Lord, thy word abideth

411 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

612 We have a gospel to proclaim

Gluten free wafers available. Please ask the Warden before the service begins if you would like one.

**Large print available    Hearing loop**



## Collect

Gracious Father,  
revive your Church in our day,  
and make her holy, strong and  
faithful,  
for your glory's sake  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen**

## Prayer after Communion

Holy Father,  
who gathered us here around the table of  
your Son to share this meal with the whole  
household of God:  
in that new world where you reveal the  
fullness of your peace, gather people of  
every race and language to share in the  
eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### Prayer points - please include these in your personal prayers

#### For Church and Diocese

Archbishops Justin and John.  
For Bishop David and Bishop Anne.

#### For the World, for Peace and an end to Poverty.

In Mosul, much of the west of the  
city is in ruins. Please pray for the  
thousands of its residents who are  
emaciated and traumatised.

#### For our work with Children and young people.

Please pray for Stay and Play, Messy  
Church Sunday Club and for the  
continuing contact with the school.

#### For those who are ill

Sasha Lyttle, Frank Hubble, John Ward,  
Neil Evans, Dean Evans, Jackie Price,  
Edwina Ord, Sarah Stevens, Georgina De-  
Lehaye, Reg Bott, Robert Howell, and  
Debbie White.

*.As the sick list is long, to concentrate our  
prayer we will for a time have two lists and  
pray fortnightly for each person. Please do  
continue to add people to the list for whom  
we should be praying.*

#### For the Families and Friends of those who have died.

#### A Love Your Neighbour Prayer

Loving God, who created human beings in  
your own image, you sent your son Jesus  
Christ to walk with us on this fragile plan-  
et. We thank you for his miraculous pres-  
ence which turns confusion into hope, an-  
ger into gratitude and fear into joy.  
Strengthen us through the power of your  
Holy Spirit to follow in the footsteps of  
Jesus. Open our eyes to see your image in  
the faces of all our neighbours, open our  
hearts to feel your compassion for all you  
have created and lead us day by day to love  
and serve you in the world. We ask this in  
the name of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus  
Christ. Amen.

**Morning Prayer will take place on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,  
Thursday and Saturday of this week in the Lady Chapel at 8.15 am**

Wed 16	10.30 am	Call in for Coffee	Committee Room
	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Lady Chapel
Thu 17	9.30 am	Stay and Play	Hall

### Next Sunday August 20th 10th Sunday after Trinity

**8am Holy Communion**  
**10am Family**  
**6.30pm Evensong**

Tue 22	2.00 pm	William Lench Court Service	
Wed 23	10.30 am	Call in for Coffee	Committee Room
	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Lady Chapel
Thu 24	9.30 am	Stay and Play	Hall

### COLIN AND AUDREY GIBSON-OUR MISSION PARTNERS

Copies of their latest newsletter are on the stand at back of church.  
Please take one.

### Parish Giving Scheme

Packs for those at the beginning of the alphabet are now here. Also spare  
packs if you have been missed out. Please take one and respond if you  
are able.

### 3D Course

As one 3D Course ends another is being geared up for. Booklets are at  
the back of church. We are not teaching the course here this year but  
there are other courses around. Anyone who would like to think about  
it, do have a word with a member of the Ministry Team or Bronwen  
Jones and Alison Wood who were on it this year.

**Emails:** The Vicar's email is [priscillawhite.harborne@btinternet.com](mailto:priscillawhite.harborne@btinternet.com)  
Items for the pew sheet need to reach Peter Stokes by **Wednesday** of each week.  
Email: [peterstokes@talk21.com](mailto:peterstokes@talk21.com)