

Signpost

Welcome to All Saints' Church, Kings Langley, and to the services today. If you are a visitor or newcomer please introduce yourself to the clergy or a member of the congregation. We are delighted that you have joined us! Refreshments are served after the 9.30am service in the church hall.

All Saints is a member of the Langelei Team Ministry consisting of All Saints, Kings Langley, St Mary's, Apsley End, St Benedict's, Bennetts End and Holy Trinity, Leverstock Green. The Team Rector is the Revd Canon David Lawson who can be contacted on 01923 291077 or 07939 473717 davidmlawson@btinternet.com Anyone in All Saints wishing to receive holy communion at home, a visit, pastoral care or wishing to arrange a funeral please contact the Team Rector. David's day off is Wednesday.

The Team Office is based at All Saints and the team administrator is Norma Howie. The office telephone number is 01923 266596 email: saintskl2@tiscali.co.uk or info@beneficeoflangelei.org.uk and the website is www.beneficeoflangelei.org.uk Enquiries, including baptisms and weddings, should be made through the team office. The office is open Monday and Wednesday 8.30am-4.00pm, Thursday 12 noon-3.30pm and Friday 12 noon-3.00pm.

There is a **supervised crèche** every Sunday morning in the small room adjacent to the church hall – except on the first Sunday of the month. On that Sunday parents are encouraged to remain in church with their children for the service which is more child-friendly. If you need to take your children out of church during that service toys are available in the small room. **Saints of Sunday (SOS)**, a group for children, meets every Sunday in the hall except the first Sunday of the month.

If you place a cash collection in the offertory plate and are a UK taxpayer, please use the white envelope in the pews adding details of your name, address and post code. The church is then able to claim Gift Aid on your offering.

SUNDAY 23rd December

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8.00am Said Eucharist: The Revd Lizzie Hood

9.30am Family Eucharist: The Revd Lizzie Hood

11.30am Baptism of Robert Arnott

4.00pm Christingle service at St Mary's

Monday 24th December

CHRISTMAS EVE

3.30pm Crib service 7.30pm Service of Nine Lessons/ Carols

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Tuesday 25th December

CHRISTMAS DAY

8.00am Said Eucharist 9.30am Family Eucharist

Wednesday 26th December Stephen, Deacon, First Martyr

10.00am Eucharist at Holy Trinity

7.45pm Bellringing practice

Thursday 27th December John, Apostle and Evangelist

9.30am Eucharist at St Mary's – no study group

Friday 28th December The Holy Innocents

SUNDAY 30th DECEMBER

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

8.00am Said Eucharist: The Revd Canon David Lawson

9.30am Family Eucharist: The Revd Canon David Lawson

Please pray for Alan, Bishop of St Albans; Paul, Bishop of Hertford; Richard, Bishop of Bedford; the Diocese of Koforidua, Ghana; the parish of Wilshamstead; all who live in Toms Lane; The Children's Society; all who are homeless at this time; all refugees; all who died and have been affected by the shootings in Newtown, Connecticut, USA; humanitarian relief efforts in Syria; peace in the Holy Land.

Please also pray for Frank Harrison, Jill Greenstreet, Peggy Scott, Derek Coleman, Peter and Audrey Butterick, Mike Gardner, Vivian Leger and John Major.

Among the departed remember also Rik Stevens, and his mother Jan and sister Rachel.

In the Deanery of Hemel Hempstead please remember all the churches, their clergy and people, preparing for Christmas.

NOTICES

At all the Christmas services information leaflets about All Saints are being handed out to all worshippers. In addition, an invitation is also being given out for anyone new, who, having worshipped at All Saints, might like to take a further step and find out more about the Christian faith. The invitation is to an informal get-together on Wednesday 9th January at 7.30pm at St Mary's. Similar leaflets/invitations are being handed out across the benefice.

Altar Flowers at Christmas If anyone would like to donate towards flowers in memory of a loved one, please put contributions in an envelope with the name of the loved one on the front and hand it to one of the churchwardens. Anonymous donations are also acceptable.

'**Living Hope**' is a series of daily reflections for Advent produced by the diocese. Go to www.livethechallenge.co.uk for the reflections - hard copies from David, the Team Rector.

The Bible Reading Fellowship produces regular Bible readings and commentaries for daily use. There is a sample copy at the back of church. If you would like to subscribe to the notes please speak to Alan Noyes.

Churches Together Kings Langley The next meeting of the review process will be on Saturday 2nd February at 10.15am at the Methodist Church. At this meeting the various working groups will begin to explore how fresh collaboration might begin across the churches. For all those who have been attending the review process please put the date in your diary now.

The Flower Festival & Autumn Fayre DVD is now available at 6.00 per DVD. The DVD contains a brief history of the church, preparations for the Festival and the days of the Festival itself. If you have not already ordered one please speak to Richard Garnett-Harper one of the churchwardens.

Carolyn Andrews and Emma Gritten will be taking orders for fabulous quality Christmas and birthday gift wrap and accessories after the 9.30am service today. 22% of the value of every order comes back to All Saints as 'cashback'! Please take time to place your order – we all need wrapping paper/cards!

The office is closed until 8.30am on Wednesday 2nd January.

The next Baptism Preparations Evenings are on Mondays 14th and 21st January at All Saints.

The next meeting of the Local Ministry Team is on Tuesday 15th January at Harold Taylor's home.

The next meeting of the Parochial Church Council is on Tuesday 22nd January at 8.00pm in the hall. This will be a business meeting.