

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 12.30pm -3.00pm 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 8th DECEMBER THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8.00am Eucharist: The Revd Canon David Lawson
9.30am Family Eucharist: the Revd Canon David Lawson
3.00pm Messy Church at St Mary's
6.30pm Evening Prayer (said) at St Mary's

9.00am Morning Prayer is said in church Monday – Friday

Wednesday 11th December

10.00am Eucharist at Holy Trinity
2.00pm Kings Langley Primary School Concert (performance 1)
7.45pm Bellringing practice – newcomers always welcome!

Thursday 12th December

9.30am Eucharist at St Mary's and study group
2.00pm Kings Langley Primary School Concert (performance 2)

Friday 13th December 6.30pm Choir practice

Saturday 14th December 5.00pm Bellringers' Evensong

SUNDAY 15th DECEMBER THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8.00am Said Eucharist: The Revd Canon David Lawson
9.30am Family Eucharist: The Revd Canon David Lawson
4.30pm Christingle service
6.30pm Evening Prayer (said) at St Mary's

Please pray for Alan, Bishop of St Albans; Paul, Bishop of Hertford; Richard, Bishop of Bedford; the Diocese of South West Tanganyika, Tanzania, and the Bishops, John and Sadock; the parish of Watton-at-Stone; all who live in Langley Lodge Lane; Kings Langley Primary School; All Saints' bellringers; our spiritual preparations for Christmas; all those facing economic hardship at this time; all who have to sleep rough; Dacorum Emergency Night Shelter; those adversely affected by the recent severe weather; those who have died or were seriously injured in the helicopter crash in Glasgow. **Deanery prayers this month are asked for** St Mary's in the old town of Hemel and their preparations for Christmas. **Please also pray for** the Margaret Sutton, Vivica Flynn, Trisha Owden, Norah Curry, Xeenaa Beale, Ann Robinson, Frank Harrison, Jill Greenstreet, Peggy Scott, Peter and Audrey Butterick, Vivian Leger and John Major.

NOTICES

Carols for Christian Aid outside Sainsbury's on Saturday 14th December 10.30am – 12.30pm - hot refreshments provided. Recruits urgently needed!

Christmas Tree Decorations The children in SOS have made decorations to hang on this year's Christmas Tree and would like all the decorations to be homemade by members of the congregation. Can you help? You might make a small hangeable item of your own and leave it in the box on the steps at the back of church or you could take out one of the blank templates and return it once you have decorated it. Decorations should be small and bright – so get creative and help us!

The 100 Club winners for December were Jack Mather, Jackie Wells, Helen Young and Julia McAdam. The six month bonus draw was also drawn and the winner was Donald Abbott.

Articles for the next edition of the Benefice Newsletter should reach the editor by 31st December at langeleinews@btinternet.com or pass them on to one of the churchwardens.

As the financial year for the church ends on 31st December, Emma Gritten the Treasurer, would be very grateful if any receipts/requests for payment for any items which relate to 2013 are provided to her as soon as possible, and by Sunday 29th December at the latest.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Tuesday 24th December (Christmas Eve)

3.30pm Crib service
7.30pm Carol service
11.30pm Midnight Mass

Wednesday 25th December (Christmas Day)

8.00am Said Eucharist
9.30am Family Eucharist
Sunday 29th December (Christmas 1)
NO 8.00am Said Eucharist
9.30am Family Eucharist

Once again the Diocese is sending emails or texts during Advent to help with our preparations for Christmas. You can sign up for a daily email or text at www.livethechallenge.co.uk or follow @live_challenge.

The church craft group is knitting for the local hospice and other charities. Donations of wool should be placed in the box at the back of church.

