

# 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. Refreshments are served after the 9.30am service in the church hall. The church is open every day from 9.30am until 5.00pm.

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](mailto: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 administrator is Norma Howie. The office telephone number is 01923 266596 email: [saintskl2@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:saintskl2@tiscali.co.uk) or [info@beneficeoflangelei.org.uk](mailto:info@beneficeoflangelei.org.uk) and the website is [www.beneficeoflangelei.org.uk](http://www.beneficeoflangelei.org.uk) Enquiries, including baptisms and weddings, should be made through the team office. The office is open Monday and Wednesday 8.00am - 3.30pm, Thursday 12.30pm - 3.00pm and Friday 11.30am - 2.30pm.

**Parents of very small children** are welcome to collect toys from the back of church, and use the small room off the hall for their children. **Saints on Sunday (SOS)**, a group for children, meets every Sunday in the hall. The children usually leave the church for their activities after the Peace and return before Communion.

**The designated Lead Recruiter and Co-ordinator for Safeguarding at All Saints is Marion Miers.** Any concerns should be directed to her at [marionmiers7@gmail.com](mailto:marionmiers7@gmail.com) or on 01923 400094

**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 24<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT CHRISTMAS EVE**

9.00am Said Eucharist: The Revd Canon David Lawson  
3.30pm Crib service  
7.30pm Service of Nine Lessons and Carols  
11.30pm Midnight Mass

## **MONDAY 25<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER CHRISTMAS DAY**

8.00am Said Eucharist: The Revd Canon David Lawson  
9.30am Family Eucharist: The Revd Canon David Lawson

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> December Stephen, Deacon, First Martyr**

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> December John, Apostle and Evangelist**  
7.45pm Bell ringing practice

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> December The Holy Innocents**

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> December**  
No Choir practice

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> December**

## **SUNDAY 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS**

8.00am Said Eucharist: The Revd Canon David Lawson  
9.30am Family Eucharist: The Revd Ivor Cornish

## **PRAYERS**

**Please pray for** the Bishops of our Diocese, Alan, Bishop of St Albans, Richard, Bishop of Bedford and Michael, Bishop of Hertford; the Diocese of Yola (Jos), Nigeria, and the Bishop, Markus Ibrahim; the parish of Wheathampstead Harpenden, and the clergy, Dennis Stamps, Linda Williams and Sally Goodson; all who live in Five Acres; the Bible Reading Fellowship rep; the Cricket, Football and Bowls Clubs; thanksgiving and praise for the birth of Jesus Christ; peace and reconciliation among the nations of the world; the work of DENS and other charities for the homeless.

**Please also pray for** Alban Brindel, Donald and Sheila Abbott, Joe Symes, Peter Field, Ellen Krajewski, Albert Symes, Bernie Watchorn, Norman Machell, Colin Butterfield, Andrew Knowlman, Colin Finch, Michael Young, Marcus Pathan, Fiona Wright, Keith and Margaret Johnson, Gordon Dolman and Vivian Leger.

## **NOTICES**

**A very sincere thank you** to everyone who played any part in preparing the church and services for our celebration of Christmas.

**Thank you** also to all who made donations last Sunday to Monicah's home in Kenya.

**David, the Team Rector**, would like to thank all those who have sent him Christmas cards and greetings – they are all very much appreciated.

**Country Life** magazine ('The Christmas Double Issue' £4.95) has an article about nativity sets in churches and All Saints features in the article – see pages 158-162).

**There is a list to sign at the back of church** if you intend to be present at the farewell service for David, the Team Rector, on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January at 5.00pm. We need to know numbers for catering purposes.

**David, the Team Rector's** retirement, takes effect as from 1st January 2018. He will return for a farewell service at All Saints on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January at 5.00pm to which everyone across the Benefice is invited.

**The benefice office will reopen on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 at 8.00am.**