

# WELCOME TO THE WEEKLY BULLETIN

## for St Mary's Apsley End and St Benedict's Bennetts End

	Today Sun 12 July	Next week Sun 19 July	Diary for this week (from 13 July)
<b>Morning</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist at 9.30am via Zoom from All Saints KL</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist at 10.00am from St B's via Zoom</b>	
Presiding	James McDonald	Richard Howlett	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 5.00pm Wardens/vicar/sec meeting via Zoom
Welcomers	Dan Shirley & Enitan Onabamiro	Dan Shirley & Enitan Onabamiro	<b>THURSDAY</b> 09.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom
1st Reading	Kings Langley Folk	(tbc)	10.15am Study group via Zoom
2nd Reading		Adrian Whalley (tbc)	8.00pm Study group via Zoom
Gospel		Sylvia Low (tbc)	<b>FRIDAY</b> 10am-12 Socially distanced Working Party at St M's
Intercessions		Carole Camp (tbc)	<b>SATURDAY</b> 10.00am Saturday Café via Zoom
Music		Peter Bladon plus others	Peter Bladon plus others
Sunday School	Harry G-Brown	Harry G-Brown	
Production	Harry G-Brown	Harry G-Brown	
<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Evening Prayer from St Mary's via Zoom</b>	No service	

<p><b>St B's Collect for Growth</b> Dear God, fill our hearts with your love and the glow of your Holy Spirit. Grow this church family within our community and let your good news spread. Amen.</p>	<p><b>St M's Collect for Growth</b> Dear Lord, please help us grow St Mary's Church. As we grow in love of you, draw new people week by week into this church family. May we show your love to all, within and beyond our walls. In Jesus' name. Amen</p>
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Notices	
<p>While our two churches are worshipping together via Zoom on Sunday mornings, we are using a combined bulletin.</p> <p><b>Please contribute information, dates, notices etc.</b> The more we're sent, the more useful it will be!</p> <p>Please email items to <a href="mailto:stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com">stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com</a> by 12.00 noon each Friday.</p>	
<p><b>St Mary's is now open for private prayer</b> from 10am to at least 4pm on Mondays and Fridays.</p> <p><b>St Benedict's will also be open for private prayer</b> on Wednesdays from 8am to 4pm from 15 July.</p> <p>All are MOST welcome in a socially distanced way, but please read all the signs and use the hand sanitiser in order that we all stay safe.</p> <p><b>Bishop Michael's</b> meeting with St B's PCC via Zoom has been postponed to 21st July at 7pm.</p> <p><b>We still have all the usual expenses to pay.</b> So, if there is any way you could make your usual weekly offering electronically or by cheque, please contact: St M's Treasurer, Peter Bladon, on 01442 257108 or <a href="mailto:bladon2010@btinternet.com">bladon2010@btinternet.com</a> or St B's Treasurer, Alison Murray on <a href="mailto:alisonj.murray@btinternet.com">alisonj.murray@btinternet.com</a> <b>Any donations would also be very warmly welcomed, however small or large!</b> This can also be done via the new donation buttons on both St B's and St M's webpages.</p>	<p><b>DENS foodbank is running very low on</b> tinned ham, tinned corned beef, sponge puddings, custard, tinned fruit, shampoo, conditioner and cleaning sprays, and would really welcome donations which can be left in their box at Sainsbury's.</p> <p><b>DENS latest newsletter</b> is available <a href="#">here</a> (or via a link in the St M's webpage). There is lots of positive information about how they are restarting projects and services, all well worth reading.</p> <p><b>Oxygen Recovery Service (Nascent House)</b> Thank you to everyone who responded and has continued to supply us with donations for the Welcome Boxes for the Oxygen Recovery Service. During the recent period of lockdown, we have been able to carry on supplying everything that we have been asked for, which has shown our determination to support this initiative in such difficult circumstances.</p> <p><b>If you would like to change your donation or would like more information</b> about this work please contact Viv Hagel (<a href="mailto:Vivian.hagel@ntlworld.com">Vivian.hagel@ntlworld.com</a>) or Susan Rivett (<a href="mailto:rivetts@aol.com">rivetts@aol.com</a>).</p> <p>The long-planned re-decorating etc in the refectory at St M's has been delayed, hopefully to start on 20 July with new flooring coming shortly afterwards. It should all be nice and fresh for when we can use it again.</p>
<p><b>Further Dates for your diary:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 20 July Routine PCC meeting for St M's (via Zoom)</li> <li>• 22 July Fabric committee meeting 7pm (via Zoom)</li> <li>• 25 July Communications team meeting 10.15 am (via Zoom)</li> </ul>	

## A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

8.1-11

There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law – indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you. This is the Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD!**

## Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

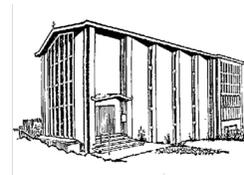
13.1-9, 18-23

### GLORY TO YOU, O LORD!

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen! Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST!**

# The Benefice of Langelei



St Benedict's,  
Bennetts End



Holy Trinity,  
Leverstock Green



St Mary's,  
Apsley



All Saints,  
Kings Langley

## THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

12<sup>th</sup> July 2020

### The Collect

Almighty God,  
send down upon your Church  
the riches of your Spirit,  
and kindle in all who minister the gospel  
your countless gifts of grace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

55.10-13

Thus says the LORD: As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

This is the Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD!**

*This bulletin, with the notices, prayer and readings to study at your leisure, is for you to take home. Please pray for the work of the church in this Parish.*

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**Weekly newsletter from Richard Howlett,  
Team Vicar with special responsibility for  
St Benedict's, Bennett's End and St  
Mary's, Apsley End.**

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Dear Friends

Weekday churches open for private prayer. As you may have heard, St Mary's is now open for private prayer Monday and Fridays, 10am to 4pm. I am pleased to announce that, additionally, St Benedict's will open, on Wednesdays 8am to 4pm from 15<sup>th</sup> July. We hope that this will be a solace for those who have yearned to be able to be in church to pray and be still before God. I am most grateful to those members of both congregations who have worked with me and the churchwardens to make this possible.

Sunday worship. As I mentioned in my previous letter, the numbers able to attend church services in St Mary's and St Benedict's will be limited owing to the Coronavirus regulations and to comply with the risk assessments. There will be a leaflet sent out during the week to help worshippers to prepare for the guidelines that must be followed by those attending church at this time. Here is the pattern for the next few weeks:

This **Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> July**, members of St Mary's and St Benedict's are invited to join, on Zoom, Father James McDonald and the congregation of All Saints for a streamed service at 9.30am. Joining instructions will be on

St Mary's calendar as usual. There will also be a streamed service of said Evening Prayer at 6.30pm in St Mary's.

**On Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July, there will be a said service of Holy Communion at St Benedict's at 10am**, which will also be streamed on Zoom. Members of St Benedict's congregation intending to come on that day are asked to contact Alison Murray ([alison.murray@btinternet.com](mailto:alison.murray@btinternet.com) tel 01442 397932) as soon as possible. It is essential that we can match those intending to come against the socially distanced places available in the church; for your safety and ours we cannot exceed that number.

**Sun 26<sup>th</sup> July. There will be a Family Service at 10am** streamed from St Mary's. After that service, there will be a **short, said service of Holy Communion at 12 midday**. Again, it is vital that we know who is intending to come to each service, so that we can ensure that the limited places available can be allocated. Please contact Dan Shirley on Tel. 01442 248756 or 07946 736267 or email us at [stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com) to confirm who is coming from your household.

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August** Details to be confirmed in due course.

Let's give thanks to God for the progress we can now make towards more of us worshipping together.

*Love and prayers,*

***Richard and Katherine.***