

Psalm 126

- 1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, ♦ then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter ♦ and our tongue with songs of joy.
- 3 Then said they among the nations, ♦ 'The Lord has done great things for them.'
- 4 The Lord has indeed done great things for us, ♦ and therefore we rejoiced.
- 5 Restore again our fortunes, O Lord, ♦ as the river beds of the desert.
- 6 Those who sow in tears ♦ shall reap with songs of joy.
- 7 Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed, ♦ will come back with shouts of joy, bearing their sheaves with them.

Hear the Gospel According to Matthew

20.20-28

GLORY TO YOU, O LORD!

Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee came to him with her sons, and kneeling before him, she asked a favour of him. And he said to her, "What do you want?" She said to him, "Declare that these two sons of mine will sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your kingdom." But Jesus answered, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink?" They said to him, "We are able." He said to them, "You will indeed drink my cup, but to sit at my right hand and at my left, this is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared by my Father."

When the ten heard it, they were angry with the two brothers. But Jesus called them to him and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. It will not be so among you; but whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be your slave; just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST!

Prayer after Communion

Almighty God,
who on the day of Pentecost
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles
with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame,
filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel:
by the power of the same Spirit
strengthen us to witness to your truth
and to draw everyone to the fire of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

*You may take this home to study the readings and prayers at your leisure.
Please also pray for the work of the church in this Parish. www.beneficeoflangelei.org.uk*



James the Apostle – 26th July, 2026
Welcome!

Collect

Merciful God,
whose holy apostle Saint James,
leaving his father and all that he had,
was obedient to the calling of your Son Jesus Christ and followed him even to death:
help us, forsaking the false attractions of the world,
to be ready at all times to answer your call without delay;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

A Reading from the Book of Acts

11.27-12.2

At that time prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. One of them named Agabus stood up and predicted by the Spirit that there would be a severe famine over all the world; and this took place during the reign of Claudius. The disciples determined that according to their ability, each would send relief to the believers living in Judea; this they did, sending it to the elders by Barnabas and Saul. About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword.

This is the Word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

A Reading from 2 Corinthians

4.7-15

But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

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Signpost 26th July, 2026

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 The Office is in transition at the moment.
 The church is usually open daily for prayer
 9.30am-5pm
There is a defibrillator by the hall door.
If you need any support/would like a visit or to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact the Wardens or Pastoral Support.

Children from nursery age are welcome to 'Saints on Sunday' which meets in the hall, unless there is an All Age service. The children go to their activities after the first hymn and return for Communion. Parents are welcome to take younger children out to the hall too. Toilets and baby change facilities are available off the hall corridor. There is also a **Children's Area under the tower, with pew bags, books and toys.**

Pastoral Support

If you or someone you know needs pastoral support, the team are: Eric Martin, Sheila Ashman, Lynne Head, Brian McAdam or Nicola Isherwood. Or you can email the office.

Giving to All Saints

We rely on donations and your support is much appreciated. Please scan the QR code, select amount & gift aid or
 ✉ allsaintstreasurer@btinternet.com
 to make a one off donation. To join our planned giving scheme or sign up to gift aid, contact Eric Martin 01923 267604.



Services Today

9.30am	Parish Eucharist
President	Father James McDonald
Organist	Bertha Kum
Hymns	644, 698, 595, 383, 421
Readers	Clare China David Holmes
Intercessor	Mark Stannard
Voluntary	Prelude & Fugue in Bb major BWV 560 (JS Bach)
Duty Warden	Andy Wragg

Please note:
 During the 9.30am service there will be a pew collection at the Offertory. If you donate online, or are using the card reader, please feel free to collect a donation card when you arrive.

THIS WEEK AT ALL SAINTS

Tuesday 28th July	
10 - 11.30am	Kings Langley Foodbank
10 - 11.30am	Coffee Morning
Wednesday 29th July	
9am	Morning Prayer
10-11.30am	NO Tiny Tots Stay and Play Summer Break till 9 th September
7.30-9pm	Bellringing Practice
Friday 31st July	
9am	Morning Prayer
10am	Holy Communion
10-11am	Bible Study (Zoom)
6.30pm	Choir Practice
Sunday 2nd August – 9th Sunday after Trinity	
9.30am	Parish Eucharist
11am	Church in the Wild
Morning services around the team	
All are welcome to mid-week Morning Prayer and Holy Communion services	
Tues	St Mary's - 9am MP, 9.30am HC
Wed	Holy Trinity - 9am MP, 10am HC
Thurs	St Benedict's - 9am Fuel Prayer
Fri	All Saints - 9am MP, 10am HC

For Your Prayers

Please pray for our Ministry Team:

Fr James, Rev Diana, Rev David & Rev Jos and all who support them.

Prayer Cycle: For all those who live in Chantry Close, the Flower Arrangers and our Volunteer Fire Service Crews.

Please Pray For: Richard Blackburn, Barbara Brown, Lily Butterfield, James Conradi, Tessa Cox, Gillian David, Margaret Dicks, Nick Foster, Michael Gale, Tim Groves, Charles Johnson, Hilda Mather, David McDonald, Rosemary & Steve Moore, Yvonne Padden, Barbara Parker, Amelie Sherman-Morley, Keith Simpson, Harold Taylor, Jackie Tuffs, Steve Wiggins, Lauren Williamson and John Worby.

Please pray for the souls of the recently departed: Jean Osbourn and Margaret Johnson

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please contact Nicola Isherwood on 07850 172340 or email isherwoods75@gmail.com

NOTICES

All Saints Beer Festival 2026 – 11th to 13th Sept
 For a limited time there is an early bird offer of 20-35% off. See www.klbeerandfizz.co.uk and pass it on!

We are looking for you to sign up to volunteer for a slot or two during the weekend. Use this link below...

<https://forms.gle/eJESUk2CLGUURckF7>

"Pump Priming" 20/25 appeal - we aim to have a group of 20 individuals, families, groups, streets, and businesses, each donating £25,000. The members of this 20/25 group will be recognised in the building works. If you know people who can donate please contact Phil, Simon or Fr James.

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James the Apostle

Bike & Hike – Saturday 12th September

For Beds & Herts Historic Churches Trust

Go to www.bedshertshct.org.uk for more information.

The Aumbry Light

The Aumbry Light is sponsored today by Gary and Patricia in joyful celebration of the marriage of Alexander Humberstone to Emily Pratt at St Mary the Virgin in Martham, Norfolk.

The Aumbry light is the candle kept alight by the High Altar to mark where the Sacrament is reserved and can be sponsored to mark an anniversary, a celebration or for another prayer intention. If you are interested please contact Eric Martin: 01923 267604

Christian Aid: Civilians in Gaza continue to face a severe humanitarian crisis, with most families displaced multiple times. Aid deliveries remain heavily restricted. Hospitals are largely destroyed or nonfunctional, with critical shortages of medicines and fuel. Food and clean water are scarce.

We are delivering emergency health care and humanitarian aid inside Gaza through local partners. They are providing food, shelter, water, sanitation, and cash support to displaced families.

Please pray for all those working in this area and for the civilians who have lived in this dire situation for so long.

Foodbank – Thank you for all your donations. We are now supporting more families and the cupboard is **VERY bare!** We are very grateful for any contributions,

that can be left in the tray on the table in front of the North Aisle Screen. Items must be in date **non-perishable** food and household essentials. We are also grateful for any cash donations so that we can stock up on fresh or needed items. This week we would especially appreciate LL Milk, tea, coffee, sugar, juice, pasta, spaghetti, rice, cereal. Tins: beans, spaghetti, tuna, and soup. Custard, crisps and biscuits. For inspiration please see needs list <https://t.ly/VJUlr>

