

someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**THANKS BE TO GOD!**

**Hear the Gospel According to John  
GLORY TO YOU, O LORD!**

17.1-11

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them.

And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST!**

**Prayer after Communion**

Eternal God, giver of love and power,  
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world  
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:  
confirm us in this mission,  
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;  
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](http://www.beneficeoflangelei.org.uk)*



**The Collect**

O God the King of glory,  
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:  
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,  
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us  
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before,  
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**

1.6-14

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**THANKS BE TO GOD!**

**A reading from the First Letter of Peter**

4.12-14, 5.6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for

# Signpost 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2026

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 Office usually open Mon-Thur 8am-12pm  
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 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](mailto: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     |                       |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>9.30am</b>      | All Age Eucharist     |
| <b>President</b>   | Father James McDonald |
| <b>Organist</b>    | Bertha Kum            |
| <b>Hymns</b>       | 453, 227, 193, 612    |
| <b>Readers</b>     | All Age Team          |
| <b>Intercessor</b> | All Age Team          |
| <b>Voluntary</b>   | Fugue in C Major      |
|                    | BuxWV 174 (Buxtehuse) |
| <b>Duty Warden</b> | 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   |  |
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| <b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May</b>  |  |
| 10 - 11.30am  | Kings Langley Foodbank                         |
| 10-11.30am  | One Impossible Thing<br>Pre Loved Sports Shoes |
| 10 - 11.30am  | <b>Coffee Morning</b>                          |
| <b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>  |  |
| <b>9am</b>  | <b>Morning Prayer</b>                          |
| 10-11.30am  | Tiny Tots Stay and Play                        |
| 7.30-9pm  | Bellringing Practice                           |
| <b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May</b>   |  |
| 9am   | Morning Prayer                                 |
| 10am  | Holy Communion                                 |
| 10-11am   | Bible Study (Zoom)                             |
| 6.30pm  | Choir Practice                                 |
| <b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Team Service at All Saints</b>                |  |
| 9.30am  | Team Service<br>at Kings Langley               |
| <b>Morning services around the team</b>                                       |  |
| <i>All are welcome to mid-week Morning Prayer and Holy Communion services</i> |  |
| Tues  | St Benedict's - 9am Prayer Meeting             |
| Wed   | Holy Trinity - 9am MP, 10am HC                 |
| Thurs   | St Mary's - 9am MP, 9.30am HC                  |
| Fri   | All Saints - 9am MP, 10am HC                   |

# Seventh Sunday of Easter

## 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 Alexandra Road, all who are new to All Saints and those involved in the Village Market.

**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, Rosemary & Steve Moore, Yvonne Padden, Barbara Parker, Amelie Sherman-Morley, Steve Wiggins, Lauren Williamson and John Worby.

**Please pray for** the recently departed, especially Lizzie Taylor.

*If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please contact Nicola Isherwood on 07850 172340 or email [isherwoods75@gmail.com](mailto:isherwoods75@gmail.com)*

## NOTICES

**Prayer walk Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 9.30am - 4pm**  
 Join us for all or part of our walk around the team

**Holy Trinity 9.30-10.30am**  
 Breakfast and opening prayers (sign up for breakfast)

**All Saints 12-12.30pm**  
 Refreshments and prayers

**St Mary's 1-2pm**  
 Lunch and prayers (bring a packed lunch)

**St Benedict's 2.30-3pm**  
 Refreshments and prayers

**Holy Trinity 3.30-4pm**  
 Closing prayers

**Choral Evensong on 7<sup>th</sup> June 4.30pm** celebrating Music Sunday. Music including Sumsion, Daley and Howells. Come and enjoy a musical afternoon! Service followed by fizz and nibbles.

**CareFest 26**  
 Discover the support you need, to lead the life you want

**Pick up a range of items to help you in your daily life from Hertfordshire libraries.**



**There will be:** Occupational therapists to discuss your concerns, offer advice, and help you choose the right equipment for your needs. Gadgets such as bottle/jar openers, battery operated can openers, long-handled brushes, sock aids, car support handles to give away. Get your **blood pressure checked**, learn how to save a life with CPR. Sample **free food** from Health and Independent Living Support. Top tips on moving correctly from a trained specialist. Chat to an NHS Talking Therapist about ways to **boost your mental health**

Scan for more details



Free drop in event

**Thursday 11 June**  
**Abbots Langley Library**  
**10.00am - 12.00pm**

## The Aumbry Light

*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:** Thank you to all those who baked cakes and supported the Coffee Morning last Saturday which raised an excellent £428.15. On Sunday we gathered together for our united Christian Aid Week service and Simple Meal and were delighted to welcome Richard Stanforth, the Government and Parliamentary Lead for Christian Aid, as our guest speaker, and the collection raised £247.

Please pray for the use of these monies and also for all those involved in the 'House to House' collection this week.

**Foodbank –** Thank you for all your donations. We are now supporting more families and your donations have been amazing. 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. This week we would especially appreciate LL Milk, sugar, coffee, biscuits and cleaning products. We have plenty of dog and cat food at the moment. For inspiration please see needs list <https://t.ly/VJUlr>

