

Psalm -

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

1.39-45

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST!

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2.41-end

Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travellers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, 'Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety.' He said to them, 'Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?' But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favour.

This bulletin, with the notices, prayers and readings is for you to take home to study at your leisure. Please pray for the work of the church in this Parish. www.beneficeoflangelei.org.uk

All
Saints
Kings Langley



Signpost

First Sunday of Christmas - 29th December, 2024

Welcome!

The Collect

Almighty God,
who wonderfully created us in your own image
and yet more wonderfully restored us
through your Son Jesus Christ:
grant that, as he came to share in our humanity,
so we may share the life of his divinity;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son shared at
Nazareth the life of an earthly home:
help your Church to live as one family,
united in love and obedience,
and bring us all at last to our home in
heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

A reading from the First book of Samuel

2.18-20, 26

Samuel was ministering before the Lord, a boy wearing a linen ephod. His mother used to make for him a little robe and take it to him each year, when she went up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. Then Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, 'May the Lord repay you with children by this woman for the gift that she made to the Lord'; and then they would return to their home.

Now the boy Samuel continued to grow both in stature and in favour with the Lord and with the people.

This is the Word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians

3.12-17

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

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 Office open Mon-Fri 8.30am-12.30pm.
 The church building is usually open daily for
 prayer 9.30am – 5pm.
**If you need any support or would like a visit
 or to receive Holy Communion at home,
 please contact the Wardens or Fr. James.**

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, including a visit or Communion at
 home, please get in touch with the Pastoral
 Group: Eric Martin, Sheila Ashman, Lynne
 Head, Brian McAdam or Nicola Isherwood

Giving to All Saints

We rely on donations, and your
 support is appreciated. Donate by
 card or Apple/Google Pay: scan the
 QR code (right), select amount and gift aid.
 Email allsaintstreasurer@btinternet.com to
 make a one off donation. Or to join our
 planned giving scheme or sign up to gift aid,
 contact Eric Martin: 01923 267604.



The Service today is:
 10.30 Team Eucharist at St Benedict's

THIS WEEK AT ALL SAINTS

Tuesday 31st December

10 - 11.30am **NO** Foodbank in Church
 10 - 11.30am Coffee Morning in Church

Wednesday 1st January

10am **NO** Tiny Tots Stay & Play
 7.30pm **NO** Bell Ringing Practice

Friday 3rd January

12noon Good Grief Cafe
 6.30pm Choir Practice



**To anybody and everybody who has
 supported our church family and village
 community during 2024.**

**Wishing everybody a healthy
 and happy 2025**

Did you know?

You can hire our hall for parties, one-off
 events and for regular bookings? Head to the
 website to book <https://bit.ly/3yCo6rb>

Have you signed up to our mailing list?

Keep Up To Date with All Saints' - please
 follow this link <https://bit.ly/3YZhM8t>

Sunday 5th January The Epiphany

9:30 Family Eucharist

First Sunday of Christmas

For Your Prayers

Please pray for our Team Ministry,
 especially Revd Dr Diana Stretton who is
 joining our team in April with responsibility
 at Holy Trinity.

Prayer Cycle: For all those who live in
 Barnes Rise, the Churchwardens and PCC
 members and the Parish Council.

Please Pray For: Hazel Archer, Abbie Best,
 Phoebe Boyce, Tessa Cox, Olive Darvill,
 Mark Dorett, Margaret Johnson, Tim Groves,
 John Heal, Brigette Hease, Vivian Leger,
 David and Jo Lidgate, Andrew Moon, Mike
 Morgan, Jean Osborn, Alison Paddon Hicks,
 Rosemary & Steve Moore, May Parker,
 Sheila Peevers, Jackie Tuck, Steve Wiggins
 and Lauren Williamson.

RIP: Bob Davies, Connie Quarry

NOTICES

The Christmas Tree Festival proved
 extremely popular with visitors again this
 year, and raised funds of over £2800.
 The winner of the most popular tree was
 the one by the Watford Centre for the Blind
 and Visually Impaired, who will receive a
 small donation as a prize.

Do you have time/energy to spare?

Could you be a more active part of our
 church family? There is a large variety of
 opportunities to join in with the wider work
 of the church. Just speak to a Warden or
 contact the office.



Around the Benefice



An Evening of Music!

Featuring Just A Capella and BURP
 (Berkhamsted Ukulele Random
 Players)

Saturday 18 January

Holy Trinity Church, Leverstock Green, HP3 8LJ
Doors open at 7.00pm for 7.30pm start
 Adults £15 Children £0
 Ticket price includes admission and refreshments
 Tickets available from Gillian
 Tel: 07770 874 744

Christian Aid prayers: Thank you.

"We'd like to extend our thanks for your
 generous and continued support across
 2024. Every gift, act and prayer has made a
 difference to lives of those living in extreme
 poverty around the world". Thank you also
 from the local Kings Langley group for every
 way you have helped us over the last year.

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.*

Church Foodbank – Please leave items in the
 basket on the table in front of the North Aisle
 Screen. In date non-perishable food and
 household essentials are much
 appreciated, especially baby wipes,
 Crisps, biscuits, tin meat & cereal.
 For inspiration please see
 needs list at <https://t.ly/VJUlr>

