

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 According to Matthew

13.1-9, 18-23

GLORY TO YOU, O LORD!

That same day 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!**

Prayer after Communion

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of 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

Benefice of Langelei



St Benedict's,



Holy Trinity,



St Mary's



All Saints

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

12th July, 2026

Collect

Creator God,
you made us all in your image:
may we discern you in all that we see,
and serve you in all that we do;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

A Reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah

55.10-13

For 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!**

A Reading from the book of Romans

8.1-11

There is therefore 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.

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Prayer of preparation
Spirit of God, come among us, work within us. Breathe life into our worship, love into our hearts, and light into our witness. Cleanse us and make us new. Touch us and make us whole. Receive our worship in Jesus' name. Amen
Holy Trinity is open every day from 10.00am to 4.00pm.
Children from Nursery age upwards are encouraged to join Junior Church in the Trinity Room, except when there is an 'all-age' service. Parents are welcome too! There is also a children's corner at the front of church with toys, books and colouring, to be used under your own supervision. Toilets and baby change facilities are through the Trinity Room.
Our services are live streamed. Cameras are focused on those leading the service. Please sit on the far left if you wish to remain off camera.

Services Today
10am Parish Eucharist President Revd Becky Leach & Preacher Fr James McDonald Hymns 114, 146, 121, 754 HON 222, 437 Junior Church Roni 11.45am Baptism 3pm Pet Service Revd Dr Diana is leading the service at St Mary's Apsley this morning.
This Week at Holy Trinity
Monday 13th July 7.30pm CA Group
Tuesday 14th July 7.30pm Trinity Men's Group
Wednesday 15th July 9am Morning Prayer 10am Communion service 10.45am Coffee after service 2pm Craft Group
Thursday 16th July 10am Toddlers and Babies Church
Friday 17th July 7pm Choir Practice
Saturday 18th July 10am-12 Coffee Shop
Sunday 19th July Seventh Sunday after Trinity 10.00am All Age Eucharist Isaiah 44.6-8 Readings Romans 8.12-25 Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43 6pm TYG



Sixth Sunday after Trinity

PRAYERS
... for Kingsley being baptised today ... for the sick: For those with ongoing needs: June Buxton, Laurence Blythe, Barbara Chapman, Greg Coulshed, Phyllis Duncan, Rich Gibbs, Kay Hawes, Linda Maynard, Rachel O, Florence Portugal, Pamela Sanvoisin, Alison Parkyns, Anne Ball, Russell Matthews, Sue Page and Su. For those with immediate needs: Abla, Roy Platten, Mike Hawtin, Pauline Lindsey, Pete Channell, John Buxton, John Warden, David Roberts, John May and Verity. ... for the departed: We pray for the repose of the souls of the recently departed, especially Iain Revolta and remembering those whose anniversary falls at this time. We pray for their families, friends and all who mourn.
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
Sunday 12th July 3pm – Pet Service. All are welcome to join us for our Pet Service this afternoon – please tell your friends and spread the word! All pets should be in a suitable carrier or on a lead. Sunday 19th July 6pm – TYG! We are back in our usual location in the Trinity Room. For children aged school year 6 and up. Contact Diana for more details Sunday 26th July 3pm – Calm Church. Our next Calm Church service is at the end of the month – a service especially designed to support children who are neurodivergent or have SEND needs and their families. Sunday 30th August 2-4pm – Strawberry Tea at the Vicarage – save the date! Sunday 13th Sept 3pm – Hymns and Pimms!
Morning services around the team
All are welcome to mid-week services. Tuesdays St Mary's - 9am MP, 9.30am HC Thursdays St Benedict's - 9am Fuel Prayer Fridays All Saints - 9am MP, 10am HC

NOTICES
Food Bank We are always looking for donations to support the food bank in Bennetts End. Donations can be left in the Trinity Room in the bags provided and are delivered every Wednesday. Non-perishable items such as tins, long-life milk, rice, pasta, coffee, tea and toothpaste are all welcome.
Calm Church – Sunday 26th July 3pm – a service especially designed to support children who are neurodivergent or have SEND needs and their families. Spread the word to those who would enjoy this time.
 Designed to support and welcome children who are neurodivergent or have SEND needs and their families. A simple service, followed by biscuits and squash. When? 26th July 2026, 3pm 25th October 2026, 3pm Where? Holy Trinity Church, Leverstock Green, HP3 8LJ 
All that we do to support our community would not be possible without your generosity. If you would like to support our work financially please use the link in the QR code: