## A reading from the first Epistle of Paul to the Thessalonians

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breast-plate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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

# Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 25.21-30 GLORY TO YOU, O LORD!

His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents: see, I have made two more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

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

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

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St Benedict's, Bennetts End

Holy Trinity, Leverstock Green

St Mary's, Apsley

All Saints, Kings Langley

# Second Sunday Before Advent - Year A 19th November, 2023 The Collect

Heavenly Father.

now and for ever.

whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,

Amen.

5.1-11

# A reading from the book of Zephaniah 1.7,12-end

Be silent before the Lord God!

For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests.

At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, 'The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm.'

Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste.

Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them.

The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there.

That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements.

I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung.

Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

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

# Holy Trinity Bulletin 19th November 2023

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Children from Nursery age upwards are encouraged to join the Junior
Church during the 10.00am service. It begins a few minutes into the service, and parents are welcome to go too into the Trinity room. There is a children's corner for tots at the front of church, to be used under your own supervision, and you'll also find colouring boxes there for children

to use alongside you in the pew.

# Giving to Holy Trinity

We rely on your donations to maintain our church and its mission. Donations can be made on our website, or by cash or contactless card in church. Please Gift Aid your donation, if possible. Thank you.

Our services are live streamed. Cameras are focused on those leading the service. Any images of the congregation will be distant or in passing. If you wish to remain off camera please sit in the left hand bank of seating (north aisle).

# **Services Today**

10.00am Parish Eucharist

Hymns 398, 18, 339, 500, 292, 449

11:45 Holy Baptism Tyler Hill

6pm TYG

#### THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

### Monday 20th November

11am Funeral of Marjorie Knight RIP in

Collective Worship at LG

School. Visitors welcome

7.00pm C.A. group in TR

### Tuesday 21st November

9.00am Morning Prayer on Zoom

11am Talking Elephants bereavement support group

### Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November

10am Holy Communion

Funeral of Barry Done RIP at

11.30am Hemel Hempstead Crematorium

### Thursday 23rd November

9.00am Morning Prayer on Zoom

10.00am Toddler Church

3-5pm Friendship Tea

### Friday 24th November

7.00pm Choir Practice

# Saturday 25th November

10-12am Saturday Coffee Shop

# Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023 Christ the King

10.00am Parish Eucharist

11.45am Holy Baptism

**6.30pm** Confirmation Service

### Readings:

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Ephesians 1:15-end Matthew 25.31-end

# **Second Sunday before Advent**

### **PRAYERS**

### Please pray

Please pray for Abby Daniell who is to be confirmed and Mike Heylin who is to be received into the Anglican Communion on 26th November.

... for the sick: Ingrid Blockley, John and Laurence Blythe, John Buxton, Julia Davenne, Phyllis Duncan, Madge Field, Amelie Flatt, Lynn Freeman, Kay Hawes, Kirsty Millar, Florence Portugal and Carole Robson.

... for the departed: We pray for the repose of the souls of the recently departed, especially Barry Done, Marjorie Knight, Peter McClelland, Mark Jefferson and those whose anniversary falls at this time. We pray for their families and friends and all

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

# Saturday 25th November 2-4pm

LG School Christmas Bazaar

## Sunday 26th November 6.30pm

Deanery Confirmation Service at St John's, Boxmoor. Do come and support our candidates.

### Saturday 2nd December

12.30-3.30pm Christmas Fair in church. 4pm Light Up a Life.

### Monday 4th December

The Rotary Santa Sleigh will be visiting the village.

### Sunday 17th December

6.30pm Carols by Candlelight

### Sunday 24th December

10am Parish Eucharist; 3pm & 5pm Children's Crib Service; 11.15pm Midnight Mass

# Monday 25th December

10am Christmas Eucharist

### Sat 6th January 7.30pm

Concert in church 'Some Enchanted Evening' See posters.

#### **NOTICES**

We welcome Mother Alice who is leading our Parish Eucharist this morning.

Huge THANKS to the Hawtin family and our Social Committee for beryl's Quiz last Saturday. It was a lovely evening and raised an amazing £775 for church funds.

### Saturday 2nd December 12.30pm to 3.30pm. HT Christmas Fair

Donations and offers of help are now urgently needed, and leaflets have been bundled for you to deliver to roads around the village. The team are working hard on this.

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### Friday 24th November at 9pm

DENS Sleepout at JFK School. Register at dens.org.uk/sleepout if you'd like to

participate, or Sponsor Torben - his form is on the TR notice board.

### The 2024 Church Cleaning Rota is open!

Don't be shy! If you work in pairs it takes less than an hour . Having a clean and tidy church is part of our welcome and outreach to our friends and visitors. I'm happy to buddy up to show what needs to be done. Please contact me Gillian on 07770 874744.

# Díd you know?

You can find details of parish activities on our website at **www.beneficeoflangelei. org.uk** and we have a facebook page at

www.facebook.com/holytrinityleverstockgreen

**The Community Foodbank** needs donations for families struggling. Please bring your contributions to the donation point in the TR whenever you're in - midweek or Sundays. Thank you.