Psalm 24

- 7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of glory shall come in.
- 8 Who is the King of glory: it is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.
- 9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in.
- 10 Who is the King of glory: even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.
 - Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
 - as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 2.22-40 GLORY TO YOU, O LORD!

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.'

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Sime-on blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

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. www.beneficeoflangelei.org.uk



The Collect

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh:

grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Post Communion

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Amen.

A reading from Malachi

3.1-5

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Then I will draw near to you for judgement; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow, and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

This is the Word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

A reading from Hebrews

2.14-end

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

This is the Word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

Signpost 28th January 2024

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The church building is open daily for prayer.

9.30am – 5pm.

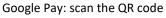
The foodbank is open Tuesdays from 10 to 11.30am.

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.

Giving to All Saints

We rely on donations, and your support is appreciated. Donate by card or Apple/



(right), select amount and gift aid. You can email 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 All Age Eucharist

President Father James McDonald

Readers Carolyn Andrews

Intercessor Sheila Ashman

Organist Bertha Kum

Hymns 113*, 358, 396, 719

THIS WEEK AT ALL SAINTS

Tuesday 30th January

10 -11.30am Coffee Morning, Royal Chapel

10 -11:30am Foodbank, Lady Chapel

Wednesday 31st January

10-11:30am Tiny Tots Stay & Play

12:55-Summit Club at KLSS

7.30 pm Bell Ringing Practice

Friday 2nd February

10.-11.am Bible Study (Zoom)

6.30pm Choir Practice

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

Sunday 28th January at 3.00 p.m.

Kings Langley Methodist Church Songs of Praise. All welcome

Have you signed up to our mailing list?

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

Sunday 4th February 2024 Second Sunday before Lent

9:30am Family Eucharist

11:15am Church in the Wild

Candlemas

For Your Prayers

Prayer Cycle: All who live in Kingfisher Lure, anyone who helps clean the church and the Village Garden Team.

Please Pray For: Wendy Buckland, Tessa Cox, Olive Darvill, Margaret Johnson, Brian Haynes, John Heal, Brigette Hease, Vivian Leger, David and Jo Lidgate, Andrew Moon, Mike Morgan, Dennis Neate, Alison Paddon Hicks, Rosemary & Steve Moore, May Parker, Sheila Peevers, Jane Warner Kavanagh, Jack Mather, Jackie Tuck & Lauren Williamson.

RIP: All the recently departed.

NOTICES

Lent & Easter Services

Ash Wednesday 14th February

 $\label{pm} \mbox{ Eucharist with imposition of ashes}$

Fridays in Lent 9.30am

All Age Eucharist followed by coffee & Lent Study

Mothering Sunday 10th March

9.30am All Age Eucharist with distribution of flowers followed by refreshments

Palm Sunday 24th March

9.15am Hot Cross Buns & Coffee at Dallings9.30am Procession and Eucharist4.30pm Stations of the Cross, music & readings for Holy Week.

Maundy Thursday 28th March

8pm Eucharist with foot washing & stripping of the altars. Incense will be used at this service. The Watch is kept until midnight.

Good Friday 29th March

10am Children's Service followed by Hot Cross Buns & Coffee

12noon Liturgy of Good Friday

Easter Sunday 31st March

8am Churches Together outdoor service (incense) followed by Hot Cross Buns and Coffee

9.30am All Age Eucharist followed by Easter Egg Hunt

Are you thinking of being confirmed?

Father James is running four sessions to prepare candidates, in church, at 8pm on :

Thursday 15th February

Thursday 29th February

Thursday 7th March

Thursday 21st March

Contact Father James for more information.

Peace Doves is at St Albans Abbey until Tuesday

13th February. Peace Doves is an art installation by Peter Walker Sculptor, in which thousands of paper doves hang down from our

Cathedral tower.

www.stalbanscathedral.org/ pages/category/peace-doves

Ingrid is collecting empty 1lb Jars. If you can help please contact Ingrid 01923 268253 thank you

Thank you for supporting the Village Produce Market. This month we raised £214.40. Starting April, we are looking for a team of volunteers to help run the Refreshments. The Market is on the third Saturday of the month. If you, with or without friends, would like to commit to this please talk to Sheila ASAP.

Church Foodbank – Please support this important resource for those in need . Please leave items in the basket on the table in front of the North Aisle Screen. In date non-perishable food or household essentials are much appreciated eg LL Milk, Tinned veg - sweetcorn, carrot, pea, etc biscuits, toilet roll, deodorant, toothpate/brushes. For inspiration please see needs list: https://t.ly/VJUIr

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.

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