A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

12.12-31a

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot were to say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear were to say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I have no need of you', nor again the head to the feet, 'I have no need of you.' On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

This is the Word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

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

4.14-21

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST!

This bulletin, with the notices, prayers 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 God,

whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A reading from the book of Nehemiah

8.1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen', lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.

This is the Word of the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

Psalm 19.1-6

- 1 The heavens are telling the glory of God and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
- 2 One day pours out its song to another and one night unfolds knowledge to another.
- 3 They have neither speech nor language and their voices are not heard,
- 4 Yet their sound has gone out into all lands and their words to the ends of the world.
- 5 In them has he set a tabernacle for the sun, that comes forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber and rejoices as a champion to run his course.
- 6 It goes forth from the end of the heavens and runs to the very end again, ◆ and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

Signpost 26th January, 2025

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If you need any support or 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, 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. Email info@beneficeoflangelei.org.uk

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Services Today

9.30am Family Eucharist

President Bishop Rob Wareham

Organist Bertha Kum

Hymns 2, 698, 664, 510

Readers Mark Stannard Sue Brazier

Intercessor Nicola Isherwood

Duty Warden Brian McAdam

Songs of Praise at **3pm** KL Methodist Church
followed by refreshments

THIS WEEK AT ALL SAINTS

Tuesday 28th January

10 - 11.30am Foodbank in Church 10 - 11.30am Coffee Morning in Church

Wednesday 29th January

9am Morning Prayer

10am Tiny Tots Stay & Play

7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

Friday 31st January

10.-11.am Bible Study (Zoom) 6.30pm Choir Practice

Langelei Lent Course: Weeks: 3rd March - 14th April 2025 'Women of Holy Week'

Mondays at 3.30-5pm

at Jos' house in Bedmond

Tuesdays 7.30-9pm

at Bennett's End Vicarage

Fridays 10-11.30 am

at All Saints Church, Kings Langley

You can mix and match venues, sign up sheet available.

Sunday 2nd February Candlemas

9:30am Family Eucharist 11.15am Church in the Wild

4.30pm Candlemas Choral Evensong followed by refreshments

The Second Sunday of Epiphany

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 Blackwell Road, the Church Wardens and our village Care Homes and domiciliary Carers..

Please Pray For: Hazel Archer, Abbie Best, Phoebe Boyce, Tessa Cox, Olive Darvill, 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, Amelie Sherman-Morley, Jackie Tuck, Steve Wiggins and Lauren Williamson.

RIP: Rosemary Hoskin

NOTICES

Kings Langley Christian Aid Annual Report 2024 is now available at https://tinyurl.com/caid13786. Hard copies can be found at the back of church if preferred.

Pray Hemel

Saturday 1st February we meet at AFC (Adeyfield Free Church, located on the Maylands Plaza in the heart of the Maylands Business Park HP2 4GZ) where refreshments will be served from 8am with worship starting at 8.30 am.

If you park in the upper, entrance level, please register your car at the church to avoid a fine. If you park at the lower level go to the far end nearest the church; please use spaces labelled AFC.

Some of my friends are enjoying (?) a dry January; seems the weather didn't get the e-mail. Whatever you are doing, rejoice, enjoy and even have fun.

Bob , pp the PH team

Around the Benefice

Saturday 8th February at 7.30 pm Fun Wine Tasting £15 at Holy Trinity. Contact Terry terjperry@aol.com

You may wish to put this date in your diary:

Memorial Service of Thanksgiving
for the Life of **Keith Johnson**8th March, 2025 at 12 noon
All Saints Church, Kings Langley, WD4 8JS

Christian Aid Prayers - As we begin a new year, we look ahead to our planned activities locally and our hopes for the world. Our first activity is the Community Quiz on February 7th at the Services Club and we are well under way in assembling our teams. Please pray for this and that throughout the world we might all know peace, hope and justice and God's Kingdom will come. Thank you for your ongoing support.

January 100 club winners:

1st 99 Patricia Humberstone2nd 87 Sheila and Richard Ashman

2nd 67 Harold Rylott 3rd 89 Mark Stannard

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 squash, cake, and kitchen paper.

For inspiration please see needs list at https://t.ly/VJUIr

Do you have time/energy to spare?

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