

## Psalm 72.11-15 Responsorial



- 11 All kings shall fall down be fore him; all nations shall | do him service.  
12 For he shall deliver the poor that cry | out, the needy and | those who • have no | helper. (R)  
13 He shall have pity on the weak and | poor; he shall preserve the | lives of the | needy!  
14 He shall redeem their lives from oppression and | violence, and dear shall their | blood be • in his | sight.  
15 Long may he live; unto him may be given gold from | Sheba; may prayer be made for him continually and may they bless him | all the day | long. (R)

## Hear the Gospel According to Matthew

2.1-12

### GLORY TO YOU, O LORD!

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

"And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,  
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;  
for from you shall come a ruler  
who is to shepherd my people Israel."'

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST!**



The 3 Kings process in with the choir and are placed in the crib for Epiphany

### The Collect

O God,  
who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth:  
mercifully grant that we,  
who know you now by faith,  
may at last behold your glory face to face;  
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.**

### A reading from the book of Isaiah

60.1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**THANKS BE TO GOD!**

### A reading from the Letter to the Ephesians

1.3-12

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**THANKS BE TO GOD!**

<b>CONTACT DETAILS</b>
<p><b>Team Rector:</b> Fr. James McDonald <i>James is on compassionate leave at this time.</i></p> <p><b>Churchwardens:</b> Andy Wragg 07595 217168 andrewtwragg@gmail.com Keith Gower 07554 997144 gowerkeith@hotmail.co.uk</p> <p><b>Safeguarding Officer:</b> Lynne Head 07496 994091 allsaintsklsafeguarding@gmail.com</p> <p><b>Team Administrator: Sue Bassett</b> 01923 266596 or 07503 950315 info@beneficeoflangelei.org.uk. Office open Mon-Fri 8.30am-12.30pm. The church building is usually open daily for prayer 9.30am – 5pm.</p> <p><b>If you need any support or would like a visit or to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact the Wardens or Pastoral Support.</b></p> <p><i>Saints on Sunday are not meeting today but children are welcome to go to the hall with their parents to decorate or draw a crown. We also have Church in the Wild at 11.15am. There is a Children's Area under the tower at the back of the church. Toilets and baby change facilities are available off the hall corridor.</i></p>
<p><b>Pastoral Support</b> 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</p>
<p><b>Giving to All Saints</b> </p> <p>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.</p>
<p><b>Sunday 12th January</b> <b>Baptism of Christ</b> 9.30 Family Eucharist</p>

<b>Services Today</b>
<p><b>9.30am</b> All Age Eucharist <b>President</b> Bishop Jane Mainwaring <b>Organist</b> Nicholas King <b>Voluntary</b> Fantasia &amp; Fugue in A minor BWV561 (JS Bach) <b>Hymns</b> 105, 104, 103, 95, 94 <b>Readers</b> Harold Taylor, Vivian Leger <b>Intercessor</b> Sheila Ashman <b>Duty Warden</b> Sheila Ashman <b>11.15</b> Church in the Wild</p>
<p>Dear Friends, We pray that you enjoy a peaceful 2025 As the busyness of the festivities fade and we return to more regular routines we have much to be thankful for. It was lovely to see so many people joining us in church for the Christmas Services. As always, the church looked beautiful and whatever the temperature outside our welcome was as warm as ever inside and I am sure we helped everyone that came reflect on the awe and wonder of the Christmas Story and to appreciate what Christmas is really about. As your Wardens we would like to thank everyone, far too many to name, for the part that you played in making these last few weeks so special for so many people. However small or large your contribution, our efforts have all come together to give visitors and regulars alike, a wonderful celebration of the birth of Jesus. Thank you for helping that to happen. It would not have been the same without you. Should you happen to have been away for the last few weeks or not found time to read our weekly emails I shall just mention that Father James is on compassionate leave until further notice. We continue to pray for him, Rachel and their families. We are delighted to welcome back Bishop Jane to take our service this Sunday. And so to a new year. May it bring health, happiness and holiness to all, Keith and Andy</p>

<b>For Your Prayers</b>
<p><b>Please pray for our Team Ministry,</b> especially Revd Dr Diana Stretton who is joining our team in April with responsibility at Holy Trinity. <b>Prayer Cycle:</b> For all those who live in Barnsway, the Welcomers and Readers for our services and the doctors' and dentist. <b>Please Pray For:</b> 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 &amp; Steve Moore, May Parker, Sheila Peevers, Jackie Tuck, Steve Wiggins and Lauren Williamson.</p>

<b>NOTICES</b>
<p><i>Harold Taylor is hanging up his hat as a reader after today, having celebrated his 95th Birthday! Please join us in the hall to say thank you and Happy Birthday with drinks and nibbles</i></p>
<p><b>Do you have time/energy to spare?</b> 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.</p>

<b>THIS WEEK AT ALL SAINTS</b>
<p><b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January</b> 10 - 11.30am Foodbank in Church 10 - 11.30am Coffee Morning in Church</p>
<p><b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January</b> 10am Tiny Tots Stay &amp; Play 12noon Chiltern Midweek Bell Ringers 7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice</p>
<p><b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January</b> 10.-11.am Bible Study (Zoom) 6.30pm Choir Practice</p>

**Thank You** to everyone who took part in the Crib with Christingle Service on Christmas Eve. Over £350 was raised for the Children's Society.. Fantastic.

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.

**Around the Benefice**

**Saturday 18th January** - Holy Trinity Concert 7pm for 7.30pm Just A Cappella and BURP

**The Lady Chapel Light**  
Have you noticed the new light in the Lady Chapel? Sue Brazier has kindly gifted the light in memory of her husband Geoff. Thank you Sue.

**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 micro rice, Kids snacks, hot chocolate, pasta sauce & baby wipes. For inspiration please see needs list at <https://t.ly/VJUlr> 

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