

ST LEONARD BANBURY

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IMPORTANT DATES

25th January 2026 Revd Kudzayi Last Service

Bring and Share Lunch.

11th February 2026 Revd Kudzayi licensing In a new Parish.

St Michael & All Angels, Watford. At 7.30pm

CAR SHARE LIST AT BACK OF THE CHURCH

You may wish to leave a donation for his leaving present, please speak with Jerry, John or Roger.

Newsletter and Service Sheet

Sunday

18th January

2nd Sunday of Epiphany

Eucharist Service @ 10.00

Services for the coming week.

Wednesday 21st January

Eucharist Service @ 10.00

Saturday 24th January

Morning Prayers @ 10.00

Sunday*** 25th January

Eucharist Service @ 10.00

******This will be our last service with Revd. Kudzayi***

BRING AND SHARE LUNCH AFTER THE SERVICE

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<https://www.youtube.com/@stleonardbanbury>

Sunday 18th January 2026

2nd Sunday of Epiphany

Collect

Eternal Lord,
our beginning and our end:
bring us with the whole creation
to your glory, hidden through past ages
and made known
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

or

Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your
grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
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.

Readings

Isaiah 49.1–7

49 Listen to me, O coastlands,
pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called
me before I was born,
while I was in my mothers womb he named me.
2 He made my mouth like a sharp sword,
in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished
arrow,
in his quiver he hid me away.
3 And he said to me, You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified.
4 But I said, I have laboured in vain,
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely
my cause is with the Lord,
and my reward with my God.
5 And now the Lord says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring
Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured
in the sight of the Lord,
and my God has become my strength-
6 he says, It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a
light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.
7 Thus says the Lord,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply
despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers, Kings shall see and stand up,

princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 40.1–12

- 1 I waited patiently for the Lord; •
he inclined to me and heard my cry.
- 2 He brought me out of the roaring pit,
out of the mire and clay; •
he set my feet upon a rock and made my footing sure.
- 3 He has put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God; •
many shall see and fear
and put their trust in the Lord.
- 4 Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, •
who does not turn to the proud that follow a lie.
- 5 Great are the wonders you have done, O Lord my God.
How great your designs for us! •
There is none that can be compared with you.
- 6 If I were to proclaim them and tell of them •
they would be more than I am able to express.
- 7 Sacrifice and offering you do not desire •
but my ears you have opened;
- 8 Burnt offering and sacrifice for sin you have not required; •
then said I: Lo, I come.
- 9 In the scroll of the book it is written of me
that I should do your will, O my God; •
I delight to do it: your law is within my heart.
- 10 I have declared your righteousness in the great
congregation; •

behold, I did not restrain my lips,
and that, O Lord, you know.

11 Your righteousness I have not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; •
I have not concealed your loving-kindness and truth
from the great congregation.

12 Do not withhold your compassion from me, O Lord; •
let your love and your faithfulness always preserve me,

1 Corinthians 1.1–9

46 Corinthians Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by
the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

2 To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are
sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all
those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus
Christ, both their Lord and ours:

3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord
Jesus Christ. 4 I give thanks to my God always for you because
of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus,
5 for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech
and knowledge of every kind-

6 just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among
you-

7 so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for
the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ.

8 He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be
blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

9 God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of
his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

John 1.29–42

29 The next day he saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

30 This is he of whom I said, After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.

31 I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.

32 And John testified, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.

33 I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.

34 And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.

35 The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples,

36 and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, Look, here is the Lamb of God!

37 The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.

38 When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, What are you looking for? They said to him, Rabbi (which translated means Teacher), where are you staying?

39 He said to them, Come and see. They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon.

40 One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peters brother.

41 He first found his brother Simon and said to him, We have found the Messiah (which is translated Anointed).

42 He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas (which is translated Peter).

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Post 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.

A collection will be made during the Offertory Hymn.
If you pay tax, please complete the yellow envelope, we
are then able to claim tax relief on your donation.

**A NEW QR Code is now available at the back of the
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True and living God

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Anthems

490 The Lords my Shepherd

372 oh Jesus I have promisedt

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Church Maintenance

There are still a LOT of ongoing maintenance issues that need to be addressed so

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If you are giving to the Church Repair Fund in the Church, PLEASE complete a yellow donation envelope as we can claim tax relief on the monies you are giving. Please mark the envelope REPAIRS.

Thanks. If donating using the Church Bank Account , again please use the reference repairs.

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If you wish to have prayers said for anyone, please complete the sheet at the back of the Church.

Copies of the January Rota are now available at the back of the church.

St Leonards is looking for members of the congregation to come and **help** with the various weekly activities that are necessary for the running of the Church. If you are interested in assisting in any way, please talk to Roger, Jerry, Liz, Charles or John to find more details.

