First Reading at Service Reading from the New Testament

Colossians 3: verses 1-11 Living as Those Made Alive in Christ

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. Because of these, the wrath of God is coming.

You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips.

Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading at Service Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you O Lord

Luke 12: verses 13 to 21 The Parable of the Rich Fool

Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?" Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions." And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. ¹⁷ He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.'

"Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry." "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?' "This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ

Reading from the Old Testament

Hosea 11: 1-11 God's Love for Israel

"When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. But the more they were called, the more they went away from me. They sacrificed to the Baals and they burned incense to images. It was I who taught Ephraim to walk, taking them by the arms; but they did not realize it was I who healed them. I led them with cords of human kindness, with ties of love. To them I was like one who lifts a little child to the cheek, and I bent down to feed them. "Will they not return to Egypt and will not Assyria rule over them because they refuse to repent? A sword will flash in their cities: it will devour their false prophets and put an end to their plans. My people are determined to turn from me. Even though they call me God Most High, I will by no means exalt them. "How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, Israel? How can I treat you like Admah? How can I make you like Zeboyim? My heart is changed within me; all my compassion is aroused. I will not carry out my fierce anger, nor will I devastate Ephraim again. For I am God, and not a man— the Holy One among you. I will not come against their cities. They will follow the Lord; he will roar like a lion. When he roars, his children will come trembling from the west. They will come from Egypt, trembling like sparrows, from Assyria, fluttering like doves. I will settle them in their homes," declares the Lord.

Notices

Refreshments —do join us after the service at the back of church for a drink and biscuit and chat to fellow parishioners. Thank you to those who have signed up to help in August.

22 Questions - The next group meeting will be at 22 Phildock Wood Road, Derby DE22 4PH at 7.30 - 9pm on Tuesday 5th August. We don't promise answers, but we promise a safe place to talk, a drink and a good biscuit! All welcome!

Harvest Supper Meeting – A meeting will be held on Wednesday 6th August at Anne Johnson's, The Cloisters, Poyser Lane at 1.30pm to discuss arrangements for the Harvest Supper. Anyone interested is welcome to attend - please let Anne or Margaret know.

Open Garden – Lady Scarsdale is opening her garden on Sunday 17th August from 2pm when refreshments will be served. This is open to members of Kirk Langley & Mackworth congregation plus members of the churches in our Benefice but not the general public. Free entry with money raised from refreshments going to St Michael's. Join us at Rectory House, Kedleston, Quarndon, Derby DE22 5JJ.

Appeal - The Foodbank Alliance helps supply 17 Derby food banks as well as food parcels for individuals, families, the homeless and people leaving hospital. Stocks are now very low so please consider supporting our collection. Tinned meat like stew/mince is especially valued. One tin of meat is more helpful at the moment than several tins of vegetables.

Next Week

10th August – 8th After Trinity ECO Service of the Word - 9.30am

Here is this week's GREEN TIP!



USE A KEEP-CUP!



Invest in a reusable coffee cup and take it with you when you buy your daily brew.

Not only will it cut down on waste, but it could also save you money. Costa will give you a discount of 25p every time you use a reusable cup, while Pret a Manger will take 50p off the cost of your coffee. Other coffee shops offer similar discounts, too, so it's always worth asking!

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WELCOME TO ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH KIRK LANGLEY

Sunday 3rdth August 2025 Seventh Sunday After Trinity



The service today is Holy Communion

If you have a prayer request, please pass to the Church Warden

Please take this leaflet home with you for reference.