

First Reading at Service
Reading from the New Testament
Romans 8: verses 18 to 25
Future Glory

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading at Service
Gospel Reading
Matthew 6: verses 25 to end
Do Not Worry

‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life

more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. ‘So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.

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Reading from the Old Testament
Psalms 136

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious, for his mercy endures for ever. Give thanks to the God of gods, for his mercy endures for ever. Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his mercy endures for ever; Who alone does great wonders, for his mercy endures for ever; Who by wisdom made the heavens, for his

mercy endures for ever; Who laid out the earth upon the waters, for his mercy endures for ever; Who made the great lights, for his mercy endures for ever; The sun to rule the day, for his mercy endures for ever; The moon and the stars to govern the night, for his mercy endures for ever; Who smote the firstborn of Egypt, for his mercy endures for ever; And brought out Israel from among them, for his mercy endures for ever; With a mighty hand and outstretched arm, for his mercy endures for ever; Who divided the Red Sea in two, for his mercy endures for ever; And made Israel to pass through the midst of it, for his mercy endures for ever; But Pharaoh and his host he overthrew in the Red Sea, for his mercy endures for ever; Who led his people through the wilderness, for his mercy endures for ever; Who smote great kings, for his mercy endures for ever; And slew mighty kings, for his mercy endures for ever; Sihon, king of the Amorites, for his mercy endures for ever; And Og, the king of Bashan, for his mercy endures for ever; And gave away their land for a heritage, for his mercy endures for ever; A heritage for Israel his servant, for his mercy endures for ever; Who remembered us when we were in trouble, for his mercy endures for ever; And delivered us from our enemies, for his mercy endures for ever; Who gives food to all creatures, for his mercy endures for ever. Give thanks to the God of heaven, for his mercy endures for ever.

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Notices

Refreshments – do join us for a cuppa, biscuit and chat after the service at the back of church. Thank you to those who have signed up to help with refreshments in February.

ADVANCE REQUEST - Lent will soon be upon us. Ash Wednesday is 18th February and there will be a short service of Holy Communion (with ashing) in church at 11.30am. We hope to follow this by soup and a roll as we've enjoyed in past years but need help to make soup. Can anyone help please? See Chris or Bryan.

Fete Representative - Margaret wishes to stand down as the church representative on the Village Fete Committee which has a few meetings before the July 12th 2026 fete. Please consider taking on this light role. Have a word with Margaret if you need further information.

Here is this week's **GREEN TIP!** **GREEN SHOOTS?!**



Spring will soon be coming and the winter dormancy period will come to a close. Hopefully the bird boxes we installed last autumn will attract new occupants. Have a walk around the church yard and keep your eyes open to see if you can spot any signs of habitation; and look out for the newly built log pile with its special hedge hog entrance.

Next Week

15th February – The Sunday next before Lent
9.30am – Holy Communion



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WELCOME TO
ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH
KIRK LANGLEY

Sunday 8th February 2026
The Second Sunday before Lent



Today's Service is Morning Prayer

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

Please take this leaflet home with you for reference