

8 February, 2026, Second Sunday before Lent



Services today

8am – Holy Communion, (Revd Andrew Parry)
10am – Church for All, in the hall

Hymns for 10am today:- 111, **S 19**, 54, 121.

Services this week

Wed. 11th Feb – 10.30am Holy Communion for residents at
“The Pines”

Services next week, 15 February

8am – Holy Communion
10am – Holy Communion
10am – Young Church in the hall.

INTERCESSIONS - Our prayers have been asked for Lorna and Charles, Hazel and Elle, Jane, Janine, Julie.

COLLECT

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever.

READINGS

Romans 8: 18-25

Future Glory

¹⁸ For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.

¹⁹ For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God.

²⁰ For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

²² For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now.

²³ And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.

²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees?

²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Matthew 6: 25-34

Do Not Be Anxious

²⁵ "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?

²⁶ 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?

²⁷ And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?

²⁸ And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?

³¹ Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'

³² For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all.

³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

³⁴ "Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God our creator,
by your gift
the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,
and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:
may we who have been nourished at your table on earth
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross
and enjoy the delights of eternity;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

YOUNG CHURCH - Today is our Church for all in the hall. We will be thinking about being worried or anxious. There will be a choice of activities to do along with hymns, a talk and prayers. Refreshments, both savoury and sweet, will be served from 9.30am.

NOTICES

THE ELECTORAL ROLL IS DUE FOR UPDATE FROM TODAY.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE ON THE ELECTORAL ROLL OR WISH TO KNOW MORE ABOUT IT, PLEASE CONTACT PAUL HORTH AT PAULHORTH@VIRGINMEDIA.COM OR TALK TO HIM ON SUNDAY.

Tuesday 10 February - 0930 SFC

Tuesday 10.30 am. The Bible Study group will meet at Chris's. This coming week we will explore angels in hymns, prayers and the Bible Everyone is very welcome. My phone number is 07790366241.

Thursday 12 February - 1830 Church for All review and planning.

Thursday 12 February - 1930 Emmaus Road in Church.