

First Reading at Service

Reading from the New Testament

Romans 7: verses 15 to 25

The Inner Conflict

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me. For I know that the good does not dwell within me, that is, in my flesh. For the desire to do the good lies close at hand, but not the ability. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that, when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched person that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with my mind I am enslaved to the law of God, but with my flesh I am enslaved to the law of sin.

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 Matthew.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 11: verses 16 to 19, 25 to end Jesus Praises John the Baptist

“But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’ “For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

Jesus Thanks His Father

At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. “Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble

in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Reading from the Old Testament

Psalm 45: verses 10 to end

Ode for a Royal Wedding

Hear, O daughter, consider and incline your ear; forget your people and your father’s house, and the king will desire your beauty. Since he is your lord, bow to him; Daughter Tyre will seek your favour with gifts, the richest of the people with all kinds of wealth. The princess is decked in her chamber with gold-woven robes, in many-colored robes she is led to the king; behind her the virgins, her companions, follow. With joy and gladness they are led along as they enter the palace of the king. In the place of ancestors you, O king, shall have sons; you will make them princes in all the earth. I will cause your name to be celebrated in all generations; therefore the peoples will praise you forever and ever.



Notices

Refreshments – do join us for a cuppa, biscuit and chat after the service at the back of church. A rota for July and August is on the board at back of church, please sign up and help.

Bell Foundry Tour – Is anyone interested in a tour of Loughborough Bell Foundry? If so, it would mean leaving Mackworth at around 9.30am on Wednesday 15th July for the tour at 10.30am-12pm. You could use your own transport or car share. Trains run from Derby to Loughborough regularly and return tickets are approximately £7. There is no charge for the tour, but it usually costs £17.50 so we'd love it if you felt able to donate towards the bells. We need to reserve our tour so please book a place ASAP. Contact David or Chris.

TAKE A TOUR

200 Club, St Michael's Church, Kirk Langley - Members' subscriptions are now due for 2026/27, and renewal letters will soon be distributed to existing members. The cost of membership is £20 per ticket and there are three prize draws each year – Harvest, Christmas and Easter - with prize money of £40, 1st place and £20, 2nd place. If you are not already a member and would like to join, please contact Michael Heap or Margaret Matthews for further information. Funds from the 200 Club help with the daily running costs of St Michael's Church.

Next Week

12th July – Fifth Sunday After Trinity
Morning Prayer – 9.30am



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sheet, please contact Emma Jones.*

WELCOME TO
ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH
KIRK LANGLEY

Sunday 5th July 2026
Fifth Sunday After Trinity



Today's Service is Holy Communion

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

Please take this leaflet home with you for reference