

First Reading at Service

Reading from the New Testament

Colossians 1: verses 1 to 14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To God's holy people in Colossae, the faithful brothers and sisters in Christ: Grace and peace to you from God our Father.

Thanksgiving and Prayer

We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all God's people—the faith and love that spring from the hope stored up for you in heaven and about which you have already heard in the true message of the gospel that has come to you. In the same way, the gospel is bearing fruit and growing throughout the whole world—just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and truly understood God's grace. You learned it from Epaphras, our dear fellow servant, who is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, and who also told us of your love in the Spirit. For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light. For he has rescued us from the dominion of

darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading at Service

Gospel Reading

Luke 10: verses 25 to 37

The Parable of the Good Samaritan

On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" "What is written in the Law?" he replied. "How do you read it?" He answered, "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'" "You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do this and you will live." But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbour?" In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he travelled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii¹ and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.' "Which of these three do you think was a

neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?" The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

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Reading from the Old Testament

Psalms 82

A Psalm of Asaph

God presides in the great assembly; he renders judgment among the "gods": "How long will you defend the unjust and show partiality to the wicked? Defend the weak and the fatherless; uphold the cause of the poor and the oppressed. Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked. "The 'gods' know nothing, they understand nothing. They walk about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken. "I said, 'You are "gods"; you are all sons of the Most High.' But you will die like mere mortals; you will fall like every other ruler." Rise up, O God, judge the earth, for all the nations are your inheritance.

Notices

Refreshments – join us after the service at the back of church for a drink and biscuit. A new rota for August and September is on the noticeboard. Please sign up and help.

200 Club, St Michael's Church, Kirk Langley - Members' subscriptions are now due for 2025/26 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 Ken Davies or Margaret Matthews for further information. Funds from the 200 Club help with the daily running costs of St Michael's Church.

Next Week

20th July – 5th After Trinity
Holy Communion - 9.30am

GREEN TIPS – do you have a green tip to share? The Eco Team would love to hear your ideas! Contact Ken Davies, Peter Roberts or Godfrey Meynell Jr with your suggestions.



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Thoughts

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sheet, please contact Emma Jones.*

WELCOME TO
ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH
KIRK LANGLEY

Sunday 13th July 2025
Fourth Sunday After Trinity



The service today is Morning Prayer

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

Please take this leaflet home with you for reference.

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

**USE YOUR VOICE TO
VOTE FOR NATURE!!**

The Bank of England are looking for ideas for the design of the next Bank Notes. Go to their website and vote by 31st July. Speak up for nature to be on our next series of banknotes to raise awareness of our precious resources!

<https://www.bankofengland.co.uk/banknotes/help-us-design-our-next-series-of-banknotes>

  