First Reading at Service Reading from the Old Testament Jeremiah 17: verses 5 to 10 Judah's Sin and Punishment

Thus says the Lord:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,

in an uninhabited salt land.

- Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord.
- They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream.It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green;in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse—
who can understand it?
I the Lord test the mind and search the heart,
to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading at Service Gospel Reading Luke 6: verses 17 to 26 Jesus Teaches and Heals

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Blessings and Woes

Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now, or you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Reading from the New Testament 1 Corinthians 15: verses 12 to 20 The Resurrection of the Dead

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

This is the word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Notices

Refreshments – after the service everyone is welcome to join us for a cuppa and biscuit at the back of church.

All Saints Mackworth Electoral Roll 2025 - An entirely new electoral roll is to be prepared in 2025. All persons wishing to have their names entered on the new roll will be requested to apply from Sunday 23rd February. Application forms will be available in church from that date. Completed forms should be returned to Rosie Everett by 13th April.

Open Church Wednesdays - Peter Roberts will be opening the church every Wednesday from 2nd April from 1-4pm. He would greatly appreciate some volunteers to assist him and

allow him to have a few Wednsdays off. If you would like to help please contact Peter on 07523276518 by text voice mail or WhatsApp.



Lent Course - We are holding a Lent course at 7.30pm from Thursday 6th March in the

Meynell Chapel at St Michaels for 6 weeks. It will be led by Bryan Jones. Please join us and let Bryan or Michael know.



Dates for the Diary

23rd February – 2nd Before Lent Morning Prayer – 9.30am

2nd March – Sunday Next Before Lent Holy Communion – 9.30am

> 5th March – Ash Wednesday Holy Communion – 11.30am (Followed by soup & a roll)

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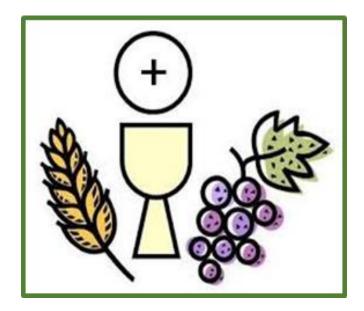


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WELCOME TO ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH KIRK LANGLEY

Sunday 16th February 2025 Third Sunday Before Lent



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.