First Reading at Service Reading from the New Testament

Hebrews 11: verses 1-3 and 8-16 Faith in Action

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for. By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible. By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. By faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God. And by faith even Sarah, who was past childbearing age, was enabled to bear children because she considered him faithful who had made the promise. And so from this one man, and he as good as dead, came descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sand on the seashore. All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance, admitting that they were foreigners and strangers on earth. People who say such things show that they are looking for a country of their own. If they had been thinking of the country they had

left, they would have had opportunity to return. Instead, they were longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading at Service Gospel Reading

Luke 12: verses 32-40 Do Not Worry

"Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Watchfulness

"Be dressed ready for service and keep your lamps burning, like servants waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet, so that when he comes and knocks they can immediately open the door for him. It will be good for those servants whose master finds them watching when he comes. Truly I tell you, he will dress himself to serve, will have them recline at the table and will come and wait on them. It will be good for those servants whose master finds them ready, even if he comes in

the middle of the night or toward daybreak. But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him."

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Reading from the Old Testament

Psalm 50: verses 1-7 A psalm of Asaph.

The Mighty One, God, the Lord, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to where it sets. From Zion, perfect in beauty, God shines forth. Our God comes and will not be silent; a fire devours before him, and around him a tempest rages. He summons the heavens above, and the earth, that he may judge his people: "Gather to me this consecrated people, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice." And the heavens proclaim his righteousness, for he is a God of justice. "Listen, my people, and I will speak;

I will testify against you, Israel:

I am God, your God."

Notices

Refreshments —do join us after the service at the back of church for a drink and biscuit and chat to fellow parishioners. Thank you to those who have signed up to help in August.



Open Garden – Lady Scarsdale is opening her garden on Sunday 17th August from 2pm when refreshments will be served. This is open to members of Kirk Langley & Mackworth congregation plus members of the churches in our Benefice but not the general public. Free entry with money raised from refreshments going to St Michael's. Join us at Rectory House, Kedleston, Quarndon, Derby DE22 5JJ.

Food Bank Collection - Thank you for the generous gifts of food and money to buy food. Just for clarity it's going to Derby Food 4 Thought Foodbank Alliance that helps supply 17 Derby foodbanks as well as giving food parcels to individuals and families. derbyfood4thoughtalliance.org.uk



Next Week

17th August – 9th After Trinity Holy Communion - 9.30am



Another sustainable living tip which will save energy as well as money is simply draught-proofing doors, floors and windows. It can reduce the energy required to heat your home in the colder months, and could give you an extra £85 in your pocket each year according to the Energy Saving Trust. It all adds up!

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Sunday 10th August 2025 Eighth Sunday After Trinity



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

Please take this leaflet home with you for reference.