

8th February 2026
Second Sunday before Lent

Today's Worship

9.15am	Time for God, Loddington
10.00am	Family Communion, Rushton
10.00am	Tea & Toast, Thorpe Malsor
10.45am	Holy Communion with Trinity Discoverers, Rothwell
6:00pm	Choral Evensong, Holy Trinity
8:00pm	Evening compline via zoom

Hymns at Rushton	137, 442, 62, 380
Hymns at Rothwell	167, 575, 67, 499

Week Commencing 9th February

Monday	10:00am	Trinity Threaders, Holy Trinity
Tuesday	9:00am	Winter Café, Holy Trinity
	7:00pm	Choir practice, Holy Trinity
Wednesday	1:00pm	Funeral of Iain Barrie, Holy Trinity
	7:30pm	Bell Ringers practice, Holy Trinity
Thursday	10:00am	Holy Communion, Holy Trinity
	1:45pm	Sunbeams, Holy Trinity

Next Sunday Sunday next before Lent

9.15am	Parish Communion, Rushton
10.45am	All Together Service, Rothwell
11.00am	Parish Communion, Loddington
8:00pm	Evening compline via zoom

Collect

Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation and respect for every person, that we may mirror your likeness in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reading: Genesis 1.1-2.3

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, 'Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.' So, God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. And God said, 'Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.' And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, 'Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.' And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. And God said, 'Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.' And it was so. God made the two great lights-the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night-and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, 'Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.' So, God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, 'Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.' And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. And God said, 'Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.' And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, 'Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.' So, God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.' God said, 'See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that

has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.' And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus, the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So, God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

Gospel: Matthew 6.25-end

'Therefore, I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? 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? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you-you of little faith? Therefore, do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed, your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. 'So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today.

Notices:

Church Magazine – All articles for **March's** issue to Janet Ray by **15th February** at magazineholyltrinity@gmail.com

Lent cleaning at Holy Trinity – It has been proposed that we hold two cleaning sessions on Wednesday's **25th February & 11th March** from **10:00am to 12:30pm**. We will be concentrating on glass, brass & silverware particularly, although all areas need attention. If interested in helping please speak to Penny Knight. Thankyou.

Hope Explored Course - A three-week course for those who are interested in the Christian Faith. Please let Andy know if you are interested in attending this – dates to follow.

Whitby Retreat - There are a very limited number of spaces available for the retreat to Whitby if anyone is interested. Date **15th - 19th June** - price to be confirmed, but approximately **£396** for **1** person and **£532** for **2** sharing. Laurabeth.

Funeral of Graham Lightburn – Heather would like to inform you that Graham's funeral is being held at St Andrew's, Aylestone, on **Monday, 23rd February**. Graham expressly asked that black should not be worn. Refreshments will be served in the church afterwards. Steve Heygate will deliver the eulogy.

APCM – the deadline for all groups to submit their reports for Holy Trinity is **18th March**. Please E Mail to joannefreeman77@gmail.com

21st February – An evening with the GUS Band at Holy Trinity church @ **7:30pm**. Adults £14 & Children £7.

Buy tickets now at www.ticketsource.co.uk/thegusband

25th February - Lent course is starting at **7:00pm** at Holy Trinity, which will run for 5 weeks every Wednesday evening, although this might be moved to the Vicarage if numbers allow. We will be studying the book of Colossians which is only 4 chapters but can be super helpful. The Methodist church will also host a lunch time slot where they will serve soup before doing the same study. Exact time and day to be confirmed. If you are interested in attending, please let Dawn know.

6th March – Mothers Union World Day of Prayer service at Central Methodist church Kettering @ **2:30pm**.

28th March – An evening of Antiques with Charles Hanson at Holy Trinity church @ **7:00pm**. More information to follow.

Readings for the Week

Monday:	1 Kings 8.1-7, 9-13, Psalm 132.1-9, Mark 6.53-end
Tuesday:	1 Kings 8.22-23, 27-30, Psalm 84.1-10, Mark 7.1-13
Wednesday:	1 Kings 10.1-10, Psalm 37.3-6, 30-32, Mark 7.14-23
Thursday:	1 Kings 11.4-13, Psalm 106.3, 35-41, Mark 7.24-30
Friday:	1 Kings 11.29-32, 12.19, Psalm 81.8-14, Mark 7.31-end
Saturday:	1 Kings 12.26-32, 13.33-end, Psalm 106.6-7, 20-23, Mark 8.1-10

Please Pray for

The family of Iain Barrie as they prepare to say their final farewells.

Our Government Leaders during challenging times and the wisdom to make good decisions for the good of our country.

All that are persecuted throughout the world due to their religion or beliefs.

The student in Leicester that was fatally stabbed this week and all other victims of knife or other crime resulting in death or life changing injuries & their families that are now grieving.

The latest victims of the air strike in Beirut involving residents and health & rescue workers.

Intercession List

Alfredo Warner, Anne Sloan

Departed

Graham Lightburn, Bill Savage, Iain Barrie

Please let Dawn Cooper know of names to be added to our Intercession list to be included in our Prayers for one month unless notified otherwise. Tel 07955 119099 (Tuesday to Thursday between 9:00am – 5:00pm) or E Mail: treshambeneficeassistant@yahoo.co.uk