



NOTICES



Dates for your Diary –

Tuesday 13th October @ 7:30pm – Annual General Vestry

Saturday 24th October 2-4pm – Freewill Offering Drop Off at St Patrick's.

Tuesday 14th October @ 7:45pm – Ladies and Men's Gatherings on Zoom. Please email us for the details.

Friday 16th October @ 11am – Friday Morning Coffee at 11am on Zoom.

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Return to Church

We are delighted to be back in church worshipping together!

Please continue to remember to 'book-in' to attend Church by contacting the church office (02825630741) between Monday – Wednesday 10am-12pm. Please leave your name, contact number and the number of people booking in with you.

We strongly encourage you to wear a face covering (unless you are medically exempt).

Please pray ...

Please pray for our Easter Vestry and those deciding whether the Lord is calling them to serve in the Church family.

Please pray for our nation and our community as we face challenging times together.

Pray for our leaders, those in authority and those caring for the sick.

Please pray for the life of our people, parish, our staff and clergy as we navigate the changing times.



Sunday Morning Worship

11th October 2020

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity



***Please come with us on a journey of prayer, praise and worship this morning.
Join in with us using the words in red print.***

*"The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it..."
Psalm 24:1*

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Hymn no. 37 – Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

1. Come, ye thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest home;
all is safely gathered in,
ere the winter storms begin.
God our Maker doth provide

for our wants to be supplied;
come to God's own temple, come,
raise the song of harvest home

2. All the world is God's own field,
fruit unto His praise to yield;
wheat and tares together sown
unto joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade, and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear;
Lord of harvest, grant that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.

3. For the Lord our God shall come,
and shall take His harvest home;
from the field shall in that day
all offences purge away;
give His angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast;
but the fruitful ears to store
in His garner evermore.

4. Even so, Lord, quickly come,
to thy final harvest-home;
gather thou thy people in,
free from sorrow, free from sin;
there for ever purified,
in thy presence to abide;
come, with all thine angels, come,
raise the glorious harvest-home.

Confession

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'

So let us turn away from sin and turn to the Lord, confessing our sins in penitence and faith:

Please join in with the response to 'Father God' – 'We ask for your forgiveness.'

Father God,

We ask for your forgiveness...

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you our weakness and unbelief:

God our Father,
we come to you in sorrow for our sins.
For turning away from you,
and ignoring your will for our lives;
Father God -
We ask for Your forgiveness.

For behaving just as we wish,
without thinking of you;
Father God -
We ask for Your forgiveness.

For failing you by what we do,
and think and say;
Father God -
We ask for Your forgiveness.

For letting ourselves be drawn away from you
by temptations in the world about us;
Father God -
We ask for Your forgiveness.

For living as if we were ashamed
to belong to your Son;
Father God -
We ask for Your forgiveness.
Amen.

Absolution

Family Talk

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God:
Increase in us your gift of faith
that, forsaking what lies behind,
we may run the way of your commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Apostle's Creed (in responsive form)

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Amen.

Psalms 65 v. 8-13

⁸ You visit the earth and water it; ♦
you make it very plenteous.

⁹ The river of God is full of water ♦
you prepare grain for your people,
for so you provide for the earth.

¹⁰ You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; ♦
you soften the ground with showers and bless its increase.

- ¹¹ You crown the year with your goodness; ♦
and your paths over flow with plenty.
- ¹² May the pastures of the wilderness flow with goodness, ♦
and the hills be girded with joy.
- ¹³ May the meadows be clothed with flocks of sheep; ♦
and the valleys stand so thick with corn
that they shall laugh and sing.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and shall be forever. Amen.

Bible Reading – Psalm 124

Father God, Open the eyes of our understanding and prepare our hearts by the power of Your Spirit, that we may receive Your Word with much joy and rejoicing and may we leave here having a deeper understanding of Who You are.
Amen.

Sermon

Prayers and Intercessions

Lord, You are the bread of heaven, giving life to the world.
You fill us with Your goodness.
You come to our weakness with Your strength.
Come, refresh, renew, restore us,
Jesus Christ our Lord,
who, with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
lives in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

In our prayers and intercessions this morning the response to 'Lord in Your Mercy' is '*Hear our prayer.*'

'Lord in Your Mercy'
'Hear our prayer.'

Lord of the Harvest,
We thank you for your creation,
For its beauty and fruitfulness,
We thank you for the blessing that it is to us.

Lord in Your Mercy

Hear our prayer.

Lord of Mercy,
We confess to you our failure
To be wise stewards of this world,
We confess to you our selfishness
In not sharing the earth's bounty fairly.

Lord in Your Mercy

Hear our prayer.

Lord of Justice,
We pray for those struggling with debt and poverty,
And those who are struggling with this time of pandemic and uncertainty.
We especially pray for those who work to bring God's light into desperate situations.
We cry out for an end to all inequality,
We pray that you would help us to help others,
That all might live a life of plenty.

Lord in Your Mercy

Hear our prayer.

Father God,
You are the beginning and end of all things,
You have done great things for us...
In your provision and care you watch unceasingly over us and all creation;
we pray that your will would be done in us, according to your wise and loving
purpose through Christ our Lord.
We pray that our tongues would never cease to sing of our joy in you.

Lord in Your Mercy

Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who are ill, hurting or are bereaved.
We pray for those in hospital or at home and for those who care for them.
We pray for those in the medical and caring professions who continue to work
and practice through the COVID-19 pandemic. Give them strength, skill and
understanding.
Lord be upon those in need in Your grace and mercy, assure them of Your great
love for them.

Lord in Your Mercy

Hear our prayer.

Heavenly Father, Lord of all faithfulness, we offer ourselves to you, asking that
by the Holy Spirit at work in us others may receive a rich harvest of love and
joy and peace.

Lord in Your Mercy

Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for all those who have fed us and cared for us.
God of grace, you are always at work in your creation,
so fulfil your purposes in us and in all those whom we pray for today, that your
glory would be revealed in us and in all that you have created, so that the
whole earth would give praise to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Lord's Prayer

Let's say together:

*Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.*

Hymn no. 37 – We Plough the Fields and Scatter

1. We plough the fields and scatter
the good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered
by God's almighty hand.
He sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain,
the breezes and the sunshine,
and soft refreshing rain.

All good gifts around us

*are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord
for all his love.*

2. He only is the Maker
of all things near and far;
He paints the wayside flower,
He lights the evening star;
the wind and waves obey him,
by him the birds are fed;
much more to us, his children,
he gives our daily bread.

*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord
for all his love.*

3. We thank you, then, O Father,
for all things bright and good:
the seed-time and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food;
no gifts have we to offer
for all your love imparts,
but that which you desire now:
our humble, thankful hearts!

*All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord
for all his love.*

Closing Prayer and Blessing

The love of the Lord Jesus
draw us to himself,
the power of the Lord Jesus
strengthen us in his service,
the joy of the Lord Jesus fill our hearts;

and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us and remain with us always. **Amen.**

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