

**Collect for the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity**

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**Post Communion Prayer**

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**



**St Mary's**  
with  
**St Peter's**  
PRINCES RISBOROUGH  
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# News

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2018, Harvest Festival**

**Dear Friends**

**HARVEST 2018**

**PRAYER POINTS:**

- For Mercy Ships.
- For all those suffering as a result of the earthquake and tsunami in Indonesia and for the aid agencies trying to help them.
- For migrants risking their lives to get to a safe haven in Europe.
- For our farmers and growers, working hard to bring in the harvest so that we may put food on the table.
- For all those struggling to afford food to feed their families.
- For David as he reaches the end of his second week of his pilgrimage.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE IN IMMEDIATE NEED OF HEALING AND PEACE:**

Jeffrey and Joy John, Tony Eccleston, Brian Panter, Alan and Iris Austin, Oliver Baillie, Gladys Page, Suzie Aries, Michael Hopkins, Kelly May, Gordon & Kathleen Plumridge, Joyce Bapty, Richard Heaney, Alex Lake, Hazel Sullivan, Philip and Sally Jones, Shirley and Eric Watts, Barbara Higgins and Ken McMurray.

**WE HAVE ALSO BEEN ASKED TO PRAY FOR:**

Ashleigh Nichas, Gideon, Mary Jefferies, Alex Chauhan, Keith & Judy Brambleby, Barbara Platts, Tony Mead, Hazel Boon, Jorge, Peter Braithwaite.

**WE REMEMBER WITH THANKSGIVING THE LIFE OF:**

Nic Willoughby.

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It was my grandparents who tried hard to encourage me to paint, even going to the extent of buying me a box of paints and brushes and a bottle in which to carry the necessary water.

To please them I had a go; after all I had all the equipment and actually I painted a picture and the people to whom I showed it said it wasn't too bad.

I shall never be a great artist but I still do some painting and, in my pictures, I see things as I have never seen them before – light, shadows, reflections in the water, the changing sky and all its lovely colours.

Contained in both of today's readings from the book of Joel 2: 21 – 27, in the Old Testament, and in the gospel of Saint Matthew 6: 25 - 33 we have some other lessons in the art of picture painting.

"For the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears fruit, the fig tree and the vine give their full yield", says the writer of the book of Joel.

"Consider the Lilies of the field, how they grow, they neither toil nor spin, yet Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these"; says the author of St Matthew's Gospel.

Harvest is the time of the year when we sing those wonderful harvest hymns and songs. Once again, they too paint lovely pictures of ploughing and scattering the good seed on the land.

It is with all these colours of nature in our minds that we come to celebrate the harvest today and that really and truly harvest belongs to God and it only exists because of His will.

**Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all His love.**

**Revd Michael McDonald- Woodhall**

## NEWS & NOTICES

**AUTUMN DISCIPLESHIP COURSE:** Entitled 'Letters to the Exiles' and based on the film series 'For the Life of the World'. Time 7.30pm. Starts with a hot meal. Contact Dan on [revdbeesley@gmail.com](mailto:revdbeesley@gmail.com). if you wish to join this 7 week course.

**ALL SOULS DAY:** will be celebrated on Weds 31<sup>st</sup> Oct at 10.30am. Please add names to the list in Church of those you would like to be remembered in this service.

**ALL HALLOWS EVE LIGHT PARTY:** This will be on weds 31<sup>st</sup> Oct from 4.30pm to 6.30pm. Games and activities for children. Let Stella ([stella.upton@btinternet.com](mailto:stella.upton@btinternet.com)) or Gill ([gill.sunfold@googlemail.com](mailto:gill.sunfold@googlemail.com)) know if you are coming or if you can help before or on the day.

**ST MARY'S BIG NIGHT OUT!** The next event will be on Sat 27<sup>th</sup> Oct at 6pm and will be a board games night! Great fun and all welcome. Drinks and snacks available for sale or bring your own. Contact Hazel at [wynnfamily@btinternet.com](mailto:wynnfamily@btinternet.com) for details.

**CHILDREN'S WORK SOS:** We need you! The Sunday Children's groups need more helpers and leaders. Please consider if this is a ministry that you could help with, no experience necessary, resources provided, and rewards immeasurable. Contact Stella Upton on PR 342129 or the Church Office for more information.

**WEBSITE:** We need someone to take over the updating of the website. If this is something you think you may be able to help with or for more information on what this entails please contact Hilary Derbyshire or the Church Office.

**2019 CHURCH DIARIES:** Are now available. Cost £1. See box on top of pigeon holes.

**JOB VACANCY:** There is a full-time job vacancy for a Christian to join the team as communications officer at Wycombe Homeless Connection. See their website for details: <http://www.wyhoc.org.uk/news>. Deadline 22<sup>nd</sup> October.

**BEREAVEMENT DROP-IN:** Please note that the October Drop In is on the 8th (second Monday at 3pm as usual), not the 15th as shown in the October Viewpoint.

**PROGRAMME TO WATCH:** On Friday 5 October, at 9pm, CAP (Christians against Poverty) and some of our 600 partner churches were the subject of the BBC2 documentary *The Debt Saviours*. The programme profiles the work of the UK Church caring for the poor and rescuing people from debt across the UK. You can find it on iplayer.

**LIGHTHOUSE QUIZ SHEET:** Please see Richard Hayward, Carole Bromhall or Gill Wilkinson for a quiz sheet at the cost of £1 and help raise vital funds for Lighthouse.

**COFFEE MORNING:** On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November there will be a coffee morning in aid of Florence Nightingale Hospice at Hazel Trees, 12 Bell Crescent, Longwick. 10.30-12. Bring and Buy, Christmas Cards, raffle. Bring your friends.

### Sunday 7th October, Harvest Festival

**Readings: Joel 2: 21-27, Matthew 6: 25-33**

- 8.00am** Holy Communion at St Mary's  
**9.30am** Parish Communion followed by coffee  
**11.15am** TGIS  
**1.00pm** Harvest Bring and Share Lunch in Church  
**6.00pm** Harvest Evensong at St Peter's, Ilmer

### What's on in the week beginning Monday 8th October

- Mon 8<sup>th</sup>** **3.00pm** Bereavement Drop-in in the Chapter House  
**Weds 10<sup>th</sup>** **9.00am** Wednesday Prayers at St Mary's  
**10.30am** Holy Communion followed by coffee  
**2-4pm** Church open for prayer  
**7.30pm** Autumn Discipleship course in the Chapter House  
**Thurs 11<sup>th</sup>** **10.30am** Coffee in the Chapter House  
**Fri 12<sup>th</sup>** **2.00pm** Praise and Play in the Chapter House  
**7.00pm** Puppet Club in the Church Hall

### Sunday 14th October, Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

**Readings: Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15, Mark 10: 17-31**

- 8.00am** Holy Communion at St Mary's  
**9.30am** Parish Communion followed by coffee  
**11.15am** TGIS  
**3.00pm** Service at Icknield Court  
**6.00pm** United Service Anglican/Methodist/Baptist at Methodist Church

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