

**Dates for your diary:**



8<sup>th</sup> October – **Harvest Festival**  
29<sup>th</sup> October at 3pm – **Service of  
Thankful Remembrance**  
11<sup>th</sup> November – **Charities Fair**  
10<sup>th</sup> December at 4pm – **Christingle Service**  
17<sup>th</sup> December at 3:30pm – **Carol Service**

**Christmas Services:**

**Christmas Eve:**

8am **Holy Communion**  
10am **Parish Eucharist**  
3pm **Carols round the Crib**  
8:30pm **Midnight at Bethlehem**

**Christmas Day:**

8am **Holy Communion**  
10am **Parish Eucharist**

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*Welcome to St Matthew's  
Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2017  
Harvest Festival*

**Today's Hymns:**

320 Let us with a gladsome mind  
101 Come ye thankful  
9 All creatures of our God and King  
117 Faithful Shepherd, feed me  
534 We plough the fields and scatter

**This week's services and events:**

***Today:***

8am Holy Communion  
10am Parish Eucharist

***Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October:***

10am Midweek Eucharist

***Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October:***

9am Morning Prayer

***Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October:***

10:30am Coffee morning in Choir Vestry

***Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October:***

***Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity***

10am Worship at 10  
12pm Baptism of Charles James  
(parents William and Jessica)

**For prayer:**

- David and Amy Roche working with CMS in the Lebanon
- Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe - illegally held in Iran
- Those to be baptized:  
15<sup>th</sup> October – Charles James  
(parents William and Jessica)

## Today's Collect:

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Creator God,  
you made the goodness of the land,  
the riches of the sea  
and the rhythm of the seasons;  
as we thank you for the harvest,  
may we cherish and respect  
this planet and its peoples,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Today's Reading:

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### Luke 17: 11-19

<sup>11</sup>On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee.

<sup>12</sup>As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup>they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!"

<sup>14</sup>When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup>Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup>He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup>Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? <sup>18</sup>Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup>Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

## Post Communion Prayer:

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God our creator,  
you feed your children with the true manna,  
the living bread from heaven:  
let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage  
until we come to that place  
where hunger and thirst are no more;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Next Sunday's Reading:

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Philippians 4: 4-9

## Notices:

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**Coffee morning rota:** there is a new rota at the back of church. If you are able to help by baking, washing up or serving, please do sign up.

There is a **half marathon** on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October and this will cause some disruption to the access to Church. Please see the map in Church.

Please ensure you have filled in an income survey and place it in the box. Also, please sign the list to confirm you have completed the survey.