# St Andrew's Church

# Harvest Sunday

# Pew sheet for 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2022 10.00am Mass in Church and on YouTube Celebrant - Fr John; Preacher - Alison

If you are in church, please remember to turn off your mobile phone during the service. Please take this sheet home with you at the end of the service. There are prayers which you may like to use at home at the end of the newsletter.

Hymn numbers for the Mass 144 435 195 328 801

### **Collect**

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; 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.** 

### Reading

For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you.

Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and

Deuteronomy 8; 7-18



his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good.

Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gained me this wealth." But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

Gospel Matthew 6; 25-33

Jesus said to his disciples, "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.

## **Post Communion Prayer**

Lord of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Please pray for people who are sick or in need of prayer: Rene, Gill Ludford, Cindy Massey, Janet Talsma- James, Nancy Forbes, Mr and Mrs Gordon, Deb Jones, Beverly and Elaine Mitchell, T Clarke, Steadford Clarke, Pat B, Linda, Pam, Kirsty, Gloria Boothe, Gloria James, Rick Hale and his family.

**Anniversary of death:** Beattie Neal

Birthdays: Elaine Powell

#### **Notices**

PCC on Wednesday at 8.00 in the Good Shepherd Hall.

#### **Prayer for Food Justice**

.Lord Jesus,
You understand what it is like
to be hungry.
Teach us to have grateful and
generous hearts.
Forgive us when we make
selfish choices
or remain silent in the face of
injustice

Lord Jesus,
You welcomed all to your table.
May we recognise our interconnectedness, with our common home and our global neighbours, so all are invited to share the feast.

Lord Jesus,
You come to us as bread and
wine.
Fill us with your compassion.
Nourish us as we advocate for
change,
and seek to make your
Kingdom a reality in our world.
Amen.