

Chesterfield Parish Church Saint Mary & All Saints



God's Generosity

There are plenty of people who think that they are owed a living; and there are plenty of people in the Church who think that they are owed salvation. They can just muddle along in the same old sweet way and trust that God will be pleased with them and reward their faithfulness.

Jesus has news for such people: God's salvation is offered to others too, and not necessarily on the same terms. This is why the Church has to be open to all, and if all have no interest in what the Church is doing, then there are flaws in our life and our welcome that need urgently to be addressed.

Harvest Festival (24th September 2017)

09.30 Matins (St Leonard's, Spital)
10.30 Choral Mass
18.30 Choral Evensong

ALSO THIS WEEK:

Monday 25th September

09.00 Morning Prayer
12.15 Mass
16.00 Evening Prayer

Tuesday 26th September

09.00 Morning Prayer
09.30 Mass
16.00 Evening Prayer

Wednesday 27th September

09.00 Morning Prayer
09.30 Holy Communion (1662)
16.00 Evening Prayer

Thursday 28th September

09.00 Morning Prayer
12.15 Organ Recital
17.00 Evening Prayer
17.30 Mass

Friday 29th September

09.00 Morning Prayer
12.15 Mass
16.00 Evening Prayer

Saturday 30th September

09.00 Morning Prayer
09.30 Mass
16.00 Evening Prayer

24th June - 28th October

'The Crooked Spire'
Exhibition at Chesterfield Museum

Please remember to respect those who wish to prepare for Mass in quiet prayer; also those who wish to listen to the closing Organ Voluntary.

All are invited to share refreshments after Mass in the Saints Parish Centre across the churchyard.

HARVEST FESTIVAL - CHORAL MASS

Processional Hymn	259
Gloria	Darke in E
Setting	Darke in E

Collect Prayer

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**

A reading from the Book of Exodus

Exodus 16.2-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, 'If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.'

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.' So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, 'In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?' And Moses said, 'When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him - what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord.'

Then Moses said to Aaron, 'Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, "Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining." ' And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked towards the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, 'I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, "At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God." ' '

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, 'What is it?' For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, 'It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.'

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn **AM*284 (see separate sheet)**

Listen to the gospel of Christ according to St Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord

Matthew 20.1-16

Jesus said, 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

Homily, Creed, Intercessions & Peace

Offertory Hymn 262

Communion Motet **Ego sum panis vivus** (*Giovanni da Palestrina*)

Postcommunion 413

Voluntary **Hymne d'Actions de Grâce, 'Te Deum'**

(Jean Langlais)

CHORAL EVENSONG

Responses **Sumsion**

Hymn 397

Psalm **Benedicite**

First Lesson **Ezekiel 33.23,30-34.10**

Hymn 260

Magnificat **Heathcote Statham in E minor**

Second Lesson **Acts 20.1,9-25**

Nunc Dimittis **Heathcote Statham in E minor**

Anthem **Fear not, O land** (*Herbert Sumsion*)

Hymn 285 (*t.i*)

Offertory Hymn 433

Voluntary **Voluntary in A minor** (*Maurice Green*)

Prayer Intentions This Week:

Today 24th September - Harvest Festival

- Thanks for all the 'quiet saints'
- ◇ Southeast Florida (USA)

Monday 25th September - Lancelot Andrewes

- Somercotes, St Thomas
- ◇ Southeastern Mexico (Mexico)
- ◇ Western Mexico (Mexico)
- ✦ *Nancy Cooper*

Tuesday 26th September - Wilson Carile

- South Normanton, St Michael & All Angels
- ◇ Southern Brazil (Brazil)
- ✦ *Charles Sutton; Frederick Foster*

Wednesday 27th September - Vincent de Paul

- Those preparing for the new University term
- ◇ Southern Highlands (Tanzania)

Thursday 28th September

- Plans to establish Derby Cathedral School
- ◇ Southern Malawi (Central Africa)
- ✦ *Joan Yates*

Friday 29th September - Michael & All Angels

- God's light against the darkness of the world
- ◇ Southern Nyanza (Kenya)
- ◇ Victoria Nyanza (Tanzania)
- ✦ *George Edward Smith; Edith Agnes Bond*

Saturday 30th September - Jerome

- The Bishop of Derby's Harvest Appeal
- ◇ Southern Ohio (USA)
- ✦ *Alfred Newby Dain; Ronald Phillips Wood*

- Diocesan Cycle of Prayer
- ◇ Anglican Worldwide Cycle of Prayer
- ✦ Year's Mind

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Our prayers have been asked for:

Laura; Jane Hoskin; Charlese Cain; Carol Miles; Brian; Jessica; Theo Singh-Eyley; Joan Edwards; Barbara Dain; John Robinson; Eric Allsopp; Colin Barrick; Margaret & Gilbert Mallory; Sheila Laverick; David Bailey; Ron; Baby Bernard; Carol Kingham; Andrea Lunn-Courtneil; Joan Lydgate; Sheila Key; Glenys Davidson; Teddy; Margaret Drew; Anthea Atkinson

✦ *Andrew David Brown, RIP*

Lunchtime Organ Recitals

The next recital will be on Thursday 28th September with Ian Brackenbury, 12.15-1.00pm. Entry is free, with retiring collection for the Choir Fund.

Christmas Tree Festival

Please consider being a Steward during this year's Festival, which runs from Saturday 18th November until Sunday 3rd December. Gwen Hallam will have the rota in church each Sunday with effect from 24th September.

Diaries and Lectionaries 2018

New in: the 'Church Pocket Book and Diary with Lectionary 2018' is now available in the Gift Shop. The standard Lectionary for 2018 is also in stock.

Next Sunday - 1st October -

Dedication Festival

- 09.00 Mass (St Leonard's, Spital)
10.30 Procession & Choral Mass
Readings: Exodus 17.1-7
Matthew 21.23-32
18.30 Choral Evensong & Procession
Readings: Psalm 124
Ezekiel 37.15-end
1 John 2.22-end

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