

In Touch



St LAWRENCE CHURCH
BOVINGDON

Serving the Community

Sunday 1st October 2023 Harvest

Prayer List

Collect

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.

Zachary Sayers	Hilary Kemp
Mark Freeth	Jean Rose
Kuldip Dhadda	Marie Shilling
Philip- Karen's Dad	Tom Morkill
Derek Wright	Alaina Parsons
Penny Havercroft	Margaret Horwood
Michael Havercroft	Carol O'Hara
Peter Vallis	Linda Harding
Rosemary Evans	Lorraine Mcloughlin
Nicki O'Hara	Mary Beard
Oli Kemp	Karin Vallis
Brenda Wood	Sally Wright

This Sunday 1st October Harvest Festival

Deuteronomy 8.7-18
2 Corinthians 9.6-end
Luke 12.16-30

10.00am Harvest Festival

**With a collection for the Bishop's Harvest
Appeal**
**Please bring items on DENS high needs
list**

Those who mourn the loss of

Shirley Crockford	
Ashley Boddy	Colin Gurney

This week at St Lawrence:

Mon 9.15am	Toddlers
Tues 3.00pm	Tea Time
Wed 9.15am	Toddlers
Thurs 9.00am	Morning Prayer
Thurs 10.00am	Welcome Café (Church Hall)
Fri 6.00pm	Choir practice

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.

Next Sunday 8th October 18th Sunday after Trinity (DENS)

Isaiah 5.1-7
Philippians 3.4b-14
Matthew 21.33-end

9.30am	Family Praise
10.30am	Parish Communion
4.15pm	Messy Church

Notices—1st October

Next Sunday is **Harvest Festival** and there will be a special Family Communion at 10.00am. We will be collecting **donations for DENS** and taking a collection for the **Bishop's Harvest Appeal** which this year supports Mission Direct, a local charity, in their work in Kumi, Uganda, providing materially poor families with chickens. These provide a sustainable and low cost food source and a new income stream.

As announced in church last week, **Hilary and Steve Kemp** are moving to north Devon where Hilary will take up an appointment as Team Vicar in the Torridge Coastal Mission Community - the four parishes of Abbotsham, Appledore, Northam and Westward Ho! Hilary is very excited to be moving to Devon in January but also sad to be leaving Bovingdon – and we will be sad to see her go! Hilary and Steve will be moving after Christmas and Hilary's licensing will take place in Devon on 17th January 2024. If you are interested in going please have a word with Charles.

Could you help to organise our **Christmas Market** on Saturday 18th November? If so please speak to Charles or e-mail Tara and Amanda at events@stlawrencebovingdon.com

Our **Welcome Café** continues this Thursday 10-12 in church. **It will then move during October to St Lawrence Hall starting Thurs 5th** from 10am – 12 noon. Please join us for coffee and cake. If you are interested in volunteering please speak to Dena or Judith.

We will be filling shoe boxes again this year for **Teams4U** to distribute to children in eastern Europe. The last day to drop off at church will be Sunday 12th November. If you have spare empty shoe boxes please bring them to church.

A reminder to return Children's Society boxes to church for Helen to collect and pay in.

The DENS High Needs list is on display in church. Current high need items include long life milk, rice and tinned meat. In addition to our DENS collections, we are supporting local families with regular food parcels. Please donate items such as tinned fruit and vegetables, soup, tea, coffee, washing up liquid and toiletries. Alternatively, cash donations for us to purchase fresh items to complete our family food parcels can be put in a blue envelope marked 'food collections' at services or handed to Charles or Dena.



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