'He told them, The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send workers out into his harvest field. (Luke 10:2)



Lord of the Harvest

Thank You for the sunshine and the rain, For fruits and veggies, fields of grain. Thank You for the farmers too, Who grow the food for me and you. Help us share with those in need, And always do a kindly deed. Bless our homes, our school, our play, And fill our hearts with thanks today. Amen.

Lord of the Harvest,

As we gather the fruits of the earth, we remember those who hunger for healing, hope, and comfort. Bless the sick with strength and peace, and the needy with provision and dignity. May our abundance become their blessing, and our hearts be moved to share with joy. In Your mercy, sow seeds of compassion in us all. We especially pray for :-

JAMIE MATTLESS- ELSIE ROWE – HILARY ABRAHAMS-DIANA HEATHER - ELIZABETH PAY - CLIVE PAGE - ANN BARTLETT - BARBARA JARVIS – SARAH WILLIS – MARK MARKCOONS - JO WATKINS - MARTYN DILLEY - SUZANNE MILLER – SUE & EMMA KINKEAD – CATHERINE METTCALFE. Amen

We thank God for the improvement of LINDA LAURENCE-TOZER's health

Come sow a seed of love in our hearts Lord, here at St Mary's that others would reap the blessings of family, friendship and community. Amen.



Please **support the work of St Mary's** via the contactless payment device at the back of church or donate via the 'give a little' website or QR code **here.** Any donation gratefully received.

St. Mary the Virgin, Hayes, Kent

PEW SHEET 5th October 2025

TODAY 8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am Morning Praise Fresh Start Style Family Service

COLLECT for Harvest Sunday

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

READINGS: 2 Timothy 1.1-14 (pg 209); Luke 17.5-10 (pg 77)

THIS WEEK

9.15am	Morning Prayers – Zoom Tues–Wed (link from the office), in church Tues-Weds 9.15am, Sat 10am
7 th Oct	Tues 10am- 11am Church Open for Quiet Space 11am- 12.15pm Bible Study in Meetings room
8 th Oct	Wed 12.30-3pm Meetings Room & church open as a Welcome Space (takes place weekly)*
9 th Oct	10.30am- 12.30pm Craft Group in Meetings Room
10 th Oct	Fri 10am- 12pm Church Open for Quiet Space
11 th Oct	Sat 10am- 12pm Church Open for Quiet Space

Next Sunday – 12th October 17th Sunday after Trinity
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am Parish Communion
10.30am Sunbeams (age 3-6) & Blaze (age 6-11) Sessions

<u>Church Office Hours</u> Tues 9am- 2pm; Wed 9am-11am & Fri 9am-12pm

Save The Date

St Mary's is holding a Family Light party (for children up to and including Year 6) to celebrate All Hallows Eve in the church on 31st October 2025 between 4-6pm.

Tickets are free via Eventbrite for both the children and their accompanying adults. You can obtain tickets by scanning the QR code (also on the poster in the porch) or following the link:



https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/family-light-party-on-all-hallows-eve-tickets-1677129863569?aff=oddtdtcreator

Activities include a donut challenge, a silent disco, apple bobbing, lantern making, glow sticks and face painting, a scavenger hunt and hot chocolate and marshmallow refreshments.

Tickets will be limited so apply promptly to secure your place at this event.

Hayes Lights 22 November

We have been invited to sing as part of Churches Together in Hayes again this year. If you would be able to join us, please let Rev Amanda or Gail know. They are also looking for volunteers in the lead up and on the day. Please help if you are able, just let us know rector@stmaryshayeskent.co.uk

Hearing God's Word and Speaking God's Word Courses.

Again, we are offering this course to those who wish to explore being able to speak or preach occasionally?

Hearing God's Word is the Diocesan introductory course about how to interpret and apply the Bible with a follow up course called Speaking God's Word.

Course to be run with Christchurch Chislehurst. For more information please speak to Rev Amanda 0203 940 1897 / rector@stmaryshayeskent.co.uk

<u>The Big Knit</u> - National Baby Loss Awareness Week is in October every year when people join together in various ways to raise awareness of the loss people face. Making Miracles, registered charity covering Kent and Medway.

Again, this year **Rochester Cathedral on Saturday 11th October at 10am until 1pm** are inviting all to knit squares. The squares are sewn up after the event and made into blankets to sell to pay for much needed professional bereavement and trauma services for families.

As a parish we support on the day itself at Rochester, as well our squares and blankets as part of our Craft Group here at St Mary's. If you are interested there are more details are available in the porch.



Calling all <u>PEN PALS</u>, your replies are in. Please pick up your letter from the office.