

The Parishes of Adbaston, Gnosall, High Offley & Knightley, Moreton and Norbury

Sunday 27th September. (Harvest Festival)

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.

Post Communion

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.

Deuteronomy 28: 1-14

If you will only obey the Lord your God, by diligently observing all his commandments that I am commanding you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth; all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the Lord your God: Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field. Blessed shall be the fruit of your womb, the fruit of your ground, and the fruit of your livestock, both the increase of your cattle and the issue of your flock. Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading-bowl. Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out. The Lord will cause your enemies who rise against you to be defeated before you; they shall come out against you one way, and flee before you seven ways. The Lord will command the blessing upon you in your barns, and in all that you undertake; he will bless you in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. The Lord will establish you as his holy people, as he has sworn to you, if you keep the commandments of the Lord your God and walk in his ways. All the peoples of the earth shall see that you are called by the name of the Lord, and they shall be afraid of you. The Lord will make you abound in prosperity, in the fruit of your womb, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your ground in the land that the Lord swore to your ancestors to give you. The Lord will open for you his rich storehouse, the heavens, to give the rain of your land in its season and to bless all your undertakings. You will lend to many nations, but you will not borrow. The Lord will make you the head, and not the tail; you

shall be only at the top, and not at the bottom—if you obey the commandments of the Lord your God, which I am commanding you today, by diligently observing them, and if you do not turn aside from any of the words that I am commanding you today, either to the right or to the left, following other gods to serve them.

2 Corinthians 9: 6-end

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written,

‘He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;
his righteousness endures for ever.’

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Luke 17: 11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, ‘Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!’ When he saw them, he said to them, ‘Go and show yourselves to the priests.’ And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, ‘Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?’ Then he said to him, ‘Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.’

The Staffordshire Border Group of Churches are committed to Safeguarding and has adopted the National and Diocesan Safeguarding Policies. Our Benefice Safeguarding Officer is Adie Harris and can be contacted on 01785 284027.

In an emergency where there is imminent risk of harm to a child or vulnerable adult, please contact the police on 999 or your local social services department.

In our year's mind (St Lawrence, Gnosall) we remember: Stuart James Winfield, Elle Olivia Ruscoe, Beryl Cuttell, Ralph Thomas Babb.

Notices

This Week's Services- 27th September

Gnosall 8am Holy Communion
10:30am Morning Worship
High Offley 9:30am Holy Communion
Adbaston 9:30am Morning Worship
Moreton 11am Holy Communion
Norbury 11am Morning Worship

Next Week's Services- 4th October

Gnosall 8am Holy Communion
10am Benefice Sunday Celebration
2pm Baptism

Sunday Celebration Service

Join us for the first Sunday Celebration Service on 4th October, 10am and then the first Sunday of every month at St Lawrence Church, Gnosall. This is a fun and friendly service, everyone is welcome.

Harvest Donations

Please remember that Christian Food Help is grateful for your continued and essential support. Please bring your donations of tinned and dried goods to your church service on Sunday 27th September

Weekly Diary

Please contact the office if you would like the code to join any of our online services.

Monday 28th 7.30pm Churches Together in Gnosall meeting at the Methodist Chapel
9.30pm Compline on Zoom
Tuesday 29th 9.30am Morning Prayer on Zoom
10.30am Assembly at Woodseaves School
Wednesday 30th 7.30-8.30pm Benefice Prayer Meeting at Christ Church, Knightley. All are welcome.
9.30pm Compline on Zoom
Thursday 1st 10.15am Assembly St Lawrence School
5.45pm Beavers visit to St Lawrence Church
Friday 2nd 11am Holy Communion at Gingercroft
9.30pm Compline on Zoom
Saturday 3rd 10:30am Coffee and Chat, St Lawrence.
7.30pm Bingo night with supper at Woodseaves Village Hall
Sunday 4th 12.30 for 1pm Harvest lunch at Norbury Village Hall

Please take this pew sheet with you at the end of the service to help you in your prayers this week.

Prayer diary for this week:

Monday The Churches Together meeting at the Methodist Chapel
Tuesday The Assembly at Woodseaves School
Wednesday The Benefice prayer meeting at Christchurch Knightley
Thursday The Assembly at St Lawrence School and Beavers visit to Church
Friday Those receiving Holy Communion at Gingercroft Care Home
Saturday An enjoyable and successful Bingo night at Woodseaves
Sunday A successful and sociable Harvest Lunch at Norbury

Children's Society:

If you are able, can you please drop boxes off at St Lawrence Church at service times, at my house 3 Pear Tree Close or wait for a pick up from your house. If you have any difficulties please give me a call on: 01785 824349. Can I, on behalf of all the vulnerable children the Society helps, thank you for your generosity. Thank You, Yvonne Cannell (Coordinator)

Photos of St Lawrence

Do you have a winter photo of St Lawrence church? If so, please could you send it to Victoria in the Church office. Many thanks.

St. Peter's, Norbury Harvest Lunch

SUNDAY 4th OCTOBER 12.30pm for 1.00pm Norbury Village Hall. Hot Roast Gammon Dinner (Vegetarian option available) followed by delicious home-made puddings (Bring your own drinks) Admission by ticket: Adults- £16.00 Children (under 12) - £8.00) Please book as soon as possible. Contact: 01785 284463
j.swinnerton29@hotmail.com
All proceeds to Church funds

Benefice Prayer Meeting

All are invited to join us for an hour of prayer for our benefice, Wed 30th September 7:30pm, at Knightley.

Contact Details for the Church Office.

Phone: 01785 822820 Benefice Administrator: Victoria
Office email: churchofficegnosall@gmail.com
Office hours: Tuesday and Wednesday 9-12.00, Friday 9-1:00. When the office is not staffed, leave a message and someone will reply as soon as possible.



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