

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 11th October

Family Worship- 9.15am

Holy Communion - 11.15am

Tuesday 13th October

Bell Ringing Practice - 7.30pm

Wednesday 14th October

Places of Welcome, 10am - 11.30am

Open Church, 10am - 12pm

Thursday 15th October

Ark Tots and Toddlers - 9.30am - 11am

Friday 16th October

Harvest Shared Supper and Talent Show - 7pm

Sunday 18th October - Harvest Festival

All food donations will support the work of New Starts.

Café Church- 9.15am

with breakfast served from 8.45am

Morning Worship - 11.15am

Bible Readings:

Philippians 4: 1-9

page 1180 in Pew Bible

Matthew 22: 1-14

page 990 in Pew Bible

The 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.



ST LAURENCE CHURCH

Sunday 11th October

Here, everyone is welcome, valued, and loved by God
and each other as we explore faith and prayer together

WELCOME TO ST LAURENCE CHURCH

Whether this be your first time or hundredth time at
St Laurence, you are very welcome.

We hope that in this time of worship you encounter
and know the peace and love of God. If you would
like further information about the worship, life and
ministry of St Laurence or anything else, any member
of our congregation will be happy to chat with you.

Sign up! Sign up! LAST CHANCE

Sign up sheets are now available in church for the
Harvest Supper and Talent Show
16 October 7pm in The Ark, Alvechurch.

Please indicate what contribution you could bring
for the buffet and also the talent show if you have
a 5 minute entertainment you could show us. Or
just come along to be fed and entertained.

**HARVEST
GATHERINGS**

**Shared Harvest Supper &
Talent Show**

**Friday 16th October at 7 pm at
The Ark, Alvechurch**

*Come together for a warm, bring-a-plate
shared supper—a modern echo of the
traditional Harvest feast. Afterwards, enjoy a
lively talent show! Performers, sign up in
advance for a 5–7-minute act—either via the
sign up sheet in church or contact Penny in the
church office.*

**Harvest Sunday
Sunday 18th October
9.15am Café Church and 11.15am
Morning Worship**

*Bring your Harvest gifts—be they
vegetables, canned goods, or other
thoughtful offerings—and join us in
celebration.
All donations will go toward supporting
the work of New Starts.*

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Café Church: Harvest Sunday, 18th October

Come and join us at St Laurence for a special Harvest-themed Café Church. We'll begin with our usual pastries and refreshments before the service, then enjoy a relaxed time of singing, movement and exploring what Harvest means for us today. Together, we'll think about bringing God the "first fruits" of our efforts — both traditional and contemporary.

During the service, we'll turn one of these on the left into something like the one on the right!



We'll be using our creative ideas to make contemporary expressions of First Fruits.



Please bring your traditional Harvest gifts if you can. .

Breakfast refreshments from 08:45 am in the Ark



Half-Term Fun –Monday 26 October, 10am–1pm

Following the success of our Summer Fun, we're delighted to be doing it again this October half term! Families are warmly invited to come and join us for a relaxed and fun morning together, with a film, crafts and food. Come along, bring the children, invite friends and enjoy spending some time together – we'd love to welcome you!

Could you help us make it happen? If you're able to volunteer, please speak to Revd Gail. Please also share the event with families you know and pray for everyone who comes, that through our time together they may experience something of God's welcome and love.

Being Kingdom People: Join the Story

We would really encourage you to come along and be part of this gathering. It's a great opportunity to meet Bishop Hugh, hear his vision for our diocese and join the conversation about what it means for us to be Kingdom People together. For many, this will be the first opportunity to meet our new Bishop. Revd Gail will be going to **St Peter's Church, Ipsley, on Saturday 14 November, 4–6pm**, and would love others from our churches to join her. If you can't make that date, please do go along to any of the other gatherings across the diocese. For more details check out the flyers around church.

Everyone is welcome and there's no need to book, we hope you'll come and join the story.



This autumn, come and meet Bishop Hugh, hear something of what he has discovered about our diocese, and explore with him what it means to be Kingdom People today. There will be a chance to ask questions and will pray together. All welcome. These are not specifically diocesan events - come to whichever is most convenient. To find out more scan the QR or visit www.cafe-worshiper.org.uk/join-the-story

Tues 6 October	St Kenelm's Church, Clifton on Teme
Thurs 15 October	St Andrew's Church, Malvern
Wed 21 October	St Ignace's Church, Norton, MK11 4TL
Mon 9 November	Claines Church, Worcester
Sat 14 November	St Peter's Church, Ipsley, Redditch
Sat 21 November	Holy Trinity Church, Worcester



Organ Fund



General Fund



Churchyard Fund

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