OAKHAM TEAM MINISTRY

All Saints Oakham

Worship for the Week

Praying, learning, serving, sharing

Sunday 11 October

HARVEST

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation;
you bring forth bread from the fields
and give us the fruits of the earth
in their seasons.
Blessed are you, Lord our God,
worthy of our thanksgiving and praise.

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Letter from Joan Cooper

Dear Friends,
As we celebrate Harvest in our churches with special thanksgiving services I am reminded of the words of a favourite hymn:

Come ye thankful people come
raise the song of harvest home
all is safely gathered in
ere the winter storms begin
God our maker doth provide
for our wants to be supplied…

All the world in God's own field
Fruit unto his praise to yield
wheat and tares therein are sown
unto joy or sorrow grown

A joyful hymn to celebrate the season, and reminds us of God's goodness to us. This year has seen a poor grain harvest for our farmers but we still have to remind ourselves how fortunate we are compared to many other places. The crops depend on land cultivated, seed sown, warmth and moisture (this year water in short supply) – finally the crops are harvested. This reminds us of our Christian life – are we being prepared for it – the seed – prayer and bible study, sun and warmth – our church community and reaching out to those who find faith difficult to understand. We are custodians of your world and we need to be reminded of our Christian responsibility to conserve the earth's resources and distribute produce fairly and unselfishly, remembering those who do not have enough and the thousands dying of hunger whilst there are those who have more than they require and need. The harvest teaches us that faith is like a seed, nurtured in patience and grows into a life filled with the blessing of God's love.

A harvest prayer

Lord of the harvest, we rejoice in the bounty of your world; we thank you for the rich harvests it produces. As we do so, we remember those who do not have enough, the thousands who are daily dying of hunger. We pray for those who have more than they required. Show us what needs to be done, and how to share the harvest. Teach us to value people more than things. Above all to help us to set our hearts on your kingdom of love and justice and to seek to do your will here on earth, as servants of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Joan Cooper
All Saints, Oakham

The week ahead

Monday 12 October
11am Prayer Meeting in the Trinity Chapel
1.30pm Funeral of Lynda Allman
8pm Concert – Rutland Big Band

Tuesday 13 October
8.30am Morning Prayer
9.15am Team Holy Communion

Wednesday 14 October
10am CAMEO *in the Church Hall*
1.40pm Music at Lunchtime – Olivia Stran *clarinet*

Thursday 15 October
8.30am Morning Prayer
9.45am Tiny Tots
1pm Churches Together Prayer *here at All Saints*
3.45pm Rutland Youth Choirs

Friday 16 October
10.30am Oasis Coffee Morning
1.30pm Oakham C of E school Harvest Service

Sunday 18 October – Trinity 20

Readings Exodus 33.12-end; 1 Thessalonians 1.1-10; Matthew 22.15-22

All Saints Oakham 8am Holy Communion; 10.30am Holy Communion; 6pm 2nd Sunday@6
St Peter and St Paul, Langham 10.30am Morning Prayer

Services during October-November

	Oakham 8 am	Oakham 10.30am	Langham 10.30am	Oakham 6pm
Sunday 11 October ***Trinity 19/ Harvest at Oakham***	Holy Communion *Revd James Muggleton*	Harvest Morning Prayer *John Feehally*	Holy Communion *Revd Chris Baker*	2nd Sunday@6 *John Feehally*
Sunday 18 October ***Trinity 20 Giving Sunday 1***	Holy Communion *Revd David Maudlin* Preacher/*Diocese*	Holy Communion *Revd Chris Baker* Preacher/*Diocese*	Morning Prayer *Vyv Wainwright*	*No service*
Sunday 25 October ***Trinity 21 Giving Sunday 2***	Holy Communion	Morning Worship *John Feehally/ Mark Nicholls*	Holy Communion *Revd Brian McAvoy*	*No service*
Sunday 1 November *All Saints*	Holy Communion *Revd David Maudlin*	Holy Communion with Anointing *Revd Chris Baker*	Morning Prayer/ Remembering *Michael Ellard*	Choral Evensong *Revd Chris Baker*

Weekday Services – all are welcome

On **Tuesdays** there is Morning Prayer at 8.30am and Team Communion at 9.15am at All Saints, Oakham.
On **Wednesdays** there is a service at the Chapel of St John and St Anne at 10am
On **Thursdays** there is Morning Prayer at All Saints at 8.30am.
On regular **Fridays** there is a service of Holy Communion BCP at All Saints Oakham in the Trinity Chapel (the next one will be on 6 November).

Online Services

Services are streamed on the **Oakham Team Ministry Facebook** page and also appear on the Oakham Team Ministry website www.oakhamteam.org.uk
A member of the ministry team leads a live stream of **Morning Prayer at 8.30am** on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and **Holy Communion or Morning Prayer at 10.30am on Sundays**.

8am Holy Communion

The Collect for the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

O God, forasmuch as without you
we are not able to please you;
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
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.

First Reading *Exodus 32.1-14*

A reading from the book of Exodus.

When the people of Israel saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, 'Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.' Aaron said to them, 'Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.' So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mould, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, 'Tomorrow shall be a festival to the LORD.' They rose early the next day, and offered burnt-offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The LORD said to Moses, 'Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; [8]they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it, and said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!"' The LORD said to Moses, 'I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.'

But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, 'O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, "It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth"? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants,

how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, "I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it for ever.'" And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading *Matthew 22.1-14*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Once more Jesus spoke to the chief priests and Pharisees in parables, saying: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'
This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Prayer after Communion

Holy and blessed God,
you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son
and filled us with your Holy Spirit:
may we honour you,
not only with our lips
but in lives dedicated to the service
of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

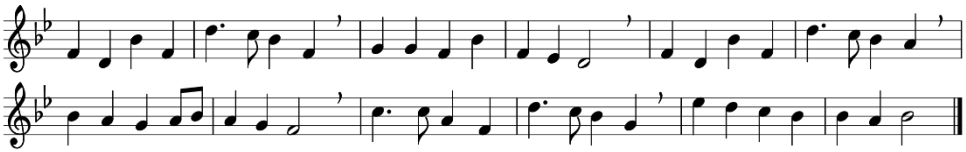
10.30am Harvest Service

This service is streamed live on the Oakham Team Ministry Facebook page.
Please join in the words in ***bold.***

Welcome

The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it. *(Psalm 24.1)*

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Opening Hymn *Fill your hearts with joy and gladness*

1. Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,
sing and praise your God and mine!
Great the Lord in love and wisdom,
might and majesty divine!
He who framed the starry heavens
knows and names them as they shine.

2. Praise the Lord, his people, praise him!
Wounded souls his comfort know;
those who fear him find his mercies,
peace for pain and joy for woe;
humble hearts are high exalted,
human pride and power laid low.

3. Praise the Lord for times and seasons,
cloud and sunshine, wind and rain;
spring to melt the snows of winter
till the waters flow again;
grass upon the mountain pastures,
golden valleys thick with grain.

4. Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,
peace and plenty crown your days;
love his laws, declare his judgements,
walk in all his words and ways;
he the Lord and we his children:
praise the Lord, all people, praise!

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b 1926), based on Psalm 147
Music: Regent Square, *Henry Thomas Smart (1813-1879)*
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(Ancient & Modern – 283)

Prayers of Penitence

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our since and clean us from all unrighteousness. (*1 John 1: 8-9*)

Silence

God our Father, we confess that we have often used your gifts carelessly,
and acted as though we were not grateful.
Father in your mercy, forgive us and help us.

When we enjoy the fruits of the harvest, but forget they come from you,
Father in your mercy, forgive us and help us.

When we are full and satisfied, but ignore the cry of the hungry and those in need,
Father in your mercy, forgive us and help us.

When we are thoughtless, and do not treat with respect or care the wonderful world You have made
Father in your mercy, forgive us and help us.

When we store up goods for ourselves alone, as If there were no God and no heaven,
Father in your mercy, forgive us and help us.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in eternal life**,**
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Glory in the highest

1. Glory in the highest to the God of heaven!
Peace to all your people through the earth be given!
Mighty God and Father, thanks and praise we bring,
singing Alleluia to our heavenly king;

2. Jesus Christ is risen, God the Father's Son!
With the Holy Spirit you are Lord alone!
Lamb once killed for sinners, all our guilt to bear,
show us now your mercy, now receive our prayer;

3. Christ the world's true Saviour, high and holy one,
seated now and reigning from your Father's throne:
Lord and God, we praise you! Highest heaven adores:
in the Father's glory, all the praise be yours!

Words: Christopher Idle (b 1938)
Music CAMBERWELL John Michael Brierley (b 1932)
(Ancient & Modern – words 415, tune 593i)

Old Testament Reading *Deuteronomy 8:7-18*

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

7For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams,
with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, 8a land of wheat
and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and
honey, 9a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack
nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine
copper. 10You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that
he has given you.
11Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his
commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you
today. 12When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in
them, 13and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is
multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, 14then do not exalt yourself, forgetting
the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of
slavery, 15who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid waste-land
with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint
rock, 16and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know,
to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. 17Do not say to
yourself, 'My power and the might of my own hand have gained me this wealth.' 18But
remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so
that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing
today.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 65

1 Praise is due to you,
O God, in Zion;
and to you shall vows be performed,
2 O you who answer prayer!
To you all flesh shall come.
3 When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us,
you forgive our transgressions.
4 Happy are those whom you choose and bring near
to live in your courts.
We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house,
your holy temple.

5 By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance,
O God of our salvation;
you are the hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the farthest seas.

6 By your strength you established the mountains;
you are girded with might.

7 You silence the roaring of the seas,
the roaring of their waves,
the tumult of the peoples.

8 Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs;
you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.

9 You visit the earth and water it,
you greatly enrich it;
the river of God is full of water;
you provide the people with grain,
for so you have prepared it.

10 You water its furrows abundantly,
settling its ridges,
softening it with showers,
and blessing its growth.

11 You crown the year with your bounty;
your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

12 The pastures of the wilderness overflow,
the hills gird themselves with joy,

13 the meadows clothe themselves with flocks,
the valleys deck themselves with grain,
they shout and sing together for joy.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.

New Testament Reading *2 Corinthians 9:6-15*

A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians.

[6]The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. [7]Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. [8]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. [9]As it is written,

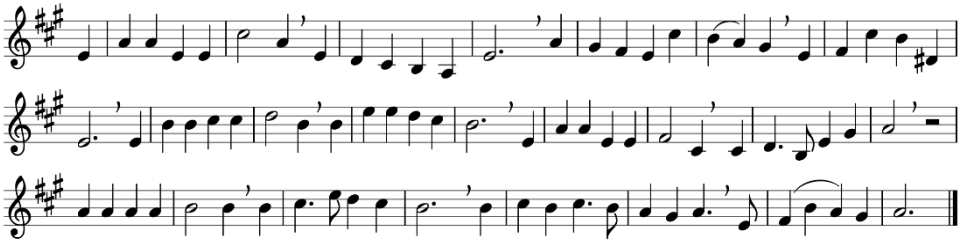
'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;
his righteousness endures for ever.'
[10]He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. [11]You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; [12]for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. [13]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, [14]while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. [15]Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

We bring our gifts

It is harvest time, and we bring gifts of food here today.
These gifts are a reminder of God's goodness to us,
and our dependence on God for our daily bread.
These gifts are a sign that we are called to be generous,
especially to those among us who have too little.
These gifts are our offering in thanksgiving to God for his faithfulness.

During this hymn, please come forward with your gifts and we will gather them in the centre of the church.

Hymn *We plough the fields and scatter*

1. We plough the fields, and scatter
the good seed on the land,
but it is fed and watered
by God's almighty hand:
he sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain,
the breezes, and the sunshine,
and soft, refreshing rain.

All good gifts around us
are sent from heaven above;
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
for all his love.

2. He only is the maker
of all things near and far;
he paints the wayside flower,
he lights the evening star;
the winds and waves obey him,
by him the birds are fed;
much more to us, his children,
he gives our daily bread.

3. We thank thee then, O Father,
for all things bright and good,
the seed-time and the harvest,
our life, our health, our food.
Accept the gifts we offer
for all thy love imparts,
and, what thou most desirest,
our humble. thankful hearts.

Words: Wir plügen und wir streuen, Matthias Claudius (1740-1815), tr Jane Montgomery Campbell (1817-1878)
Music: Wir Pflügen, Johann Abraham Peter Schülz (1747-1800), harm John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876) (Ancient & Modern – 290)

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you bring forth bread from the fields and give us the fruits of the earth in their seasons.

Gospel Reading *John 6.25-35*

A reading from the Gospel of John.

25 When the disciples found Jesus on the other side of the lake, they said to him,
'Rabbi, when did you come here?' [26]Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you
are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the
loaves. [27]Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for
eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father
has set his seal.' [28]Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of
God?' [29]Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him
whom he has sent.' [30]So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then,
so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? [31]Our
ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread
from heaven to eat."' [32]Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not
Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the
true bread from heaven. [33]For the bread of God is that which comes down from
heaven and gives life to the world.' [34]They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.'
[35]Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be
hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

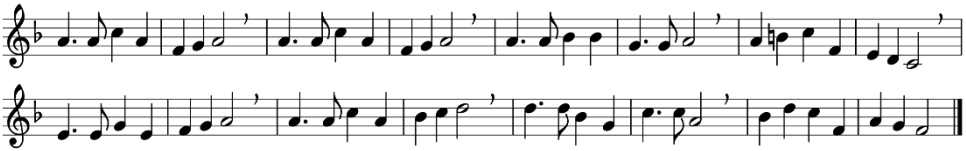
A Harvest Creed

The heavens declare the glory of God
The skies display the work of his hands
Do you not know? Have you not heard?
The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth
'As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat,
summer and winter, day and night will never cease.'
By faith I gaze up to the heavens
and know that this is our Father's creation
By faith I listen for your voice
and know that Jesus Christ listens to the prayer within my heart
By faith I cling to your word
and know the strength that I receive in the power of the Holy Spirit
May almighty God strengthen this faith in us. Amen

The Peace

The harvest of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you

Anthem *Thou visiteth the earth*
Maurice Greene (1696-1755)

Hymn *Come, ye thankful people, come*

1. Come, ye thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest-home:
all be safely gathered in,
ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide
for our wants to be supplied;
come to God's own temple, come;
raise the song of harvest-home!

2. All the world is God's own field,
fruit unto his praise to yield;
wheat and tares together sown,
unto joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear:
grant, O harvest Lord, that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.

3. For the Lord our God shall come,
and shall take his harvest home;
from his field shall purge away
all that doth offend, that day;
give his angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast,
but the fruitful ears to store
in his garner evermore.

4. Then, thou Church Triumphant, come,
raise the song of harvest-home;
all be safely gathered in,
free from sorrow, free from sin,
there for ever purified
in God's garner to abide:
come, ten thousand angels, come,
raise the glorious harvest-home!

Words: Henry Alford (1810-1871)
Music: St George's Windsor*, George Job Elvey (1816-1893)*
(Ancient & Modern – 282)

Prayers

Harvest 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.

Prayers

In the beginning there was nothing, and out of nothing you fashioned a universe so vast, so unimaginable that we can only sigh with amazement when we stare upwards on a star-lit night. And within this universe you positioned the earth and populated it, provided for it and designed for it to be a place of beauty.
Creator God: We thank you and praise You.

In the beginning there was just potential; the seed within the packet, soil's nutrients, sunshine's warmth, rain clouds gathering. And yet within the tiny seed is all that is needed to grow our daily bread.
Creator God: We thank you and praise You.

In the beginning there was humankind, placed within your garden, made steward, gardener and caretaker of this place of beauty, given responsibilities and the capacity to enjoy. And yet among the seeds we have sown have been weeds and crops of our own choosing, which have not shown fruit, or have spread and choked the earth.
Creator God: Forgive us.

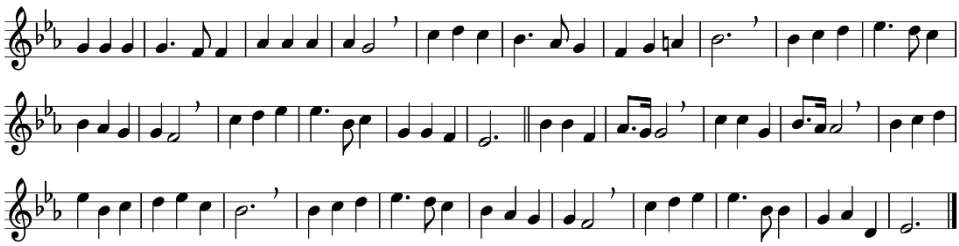
Intercessions

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.

Morning Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
we thank you that you have brought us safely to the beginning of this day.
Keep us from falling into sin or running into danger;
order us in all our doings,
and guide us to do always what is righteous in your sight;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Hymn *Great is thy faithfulness*

1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not,
as thou hast been thou for ever wilt be.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided,
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

2. Summer and winter, and spring-time and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Words: Thomas Obadiah Chisholm (1866-1960
Music: Faithfulness (Runyan), *William Marion Runyan (1870-1957)*
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Conclusion

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; you bring forth bread from the fields and give us the fruits of the earth in their seasons.
Accept these gifts, which we bring before you, returned to you from the harvest of your goodness. Let them be for all who share in them through the Food Bank a sign of your fatherly care.

Blessed are you, Lord our God, worthy of our thanksgiving and praise.
Blessed be God for ever.

Blessing

We go our separate ways still joined by the love of Christ.
And may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
be with each of us, those who we love, those for whom we pray,
now and for ever.
Amen.

2nd Sunday @ 6

1 Peter 4; 1-19 *(NIV)* **More Practical Christian Living**

Therefore, since Christ suffered in his body, arm yourselves also with the same attitude, because whoever suffers in the body is done with sin. [2] As a result, they do not live the rest of their earthly lives for evil human desires, but rather for the will of God. [3] For you have spent enough time in the past doing what pagans choose to do—living in debauchery, lust, drunkenness, orgies, carousing and detestable idolatry. [4] They are surprised that you do not join them in their reckless, wild living, and they heap abuse on you. [5] But they will have to give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. [6] For this is the reason the gospel was preached even to those who are now dead, so that they might be judged according to human standards in regard to the body, but live according to God in regard to the spirit.
[7] The end of all things is near. Therefore be alert and of sober mind so that you may pray. [8] Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. [9] Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. [10] Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. [11] If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.
[12] Dear friends, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that has come on you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. [13] But rejoice inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed. [14] If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you. [15] If you suffer, it should not be as a murderer or thief or any other kind of criminal, or even as a meddler.
[16] However, if you suffer as a Christian, do not be ashamed, but praise God that you bear that name. [17] For it is time for judgment to begin with God's household; and if it begins with us, what will the outcome be for those who do not obey the gospel of God? [18] And,
"If it is hard for the righteous to be saved,
what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?"
[19] So then, those who suffer according to God's will should commit themselves to their faithful Creator and continue to do good.

Worship and Prayer

Song *Great is Thy faithfulness*

1 Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
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Confession

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8,9*

Time of quiet reflection

Lord God, we have sinned against you;
We have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us to the joy of your salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Song *I will enter His gates*

I will enter His gates with thanksgiving in my heart;
I will enter His courts with praise.
I will say this is the day that the Lord has made.
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.
He has made me glad, He has made me glad,
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.
He has made me glad, He has made me glad,
I will rejoice for He has made me glad.

Words and music by Leona von Brethorst
Based on Psalm 100
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Prayers

Lord, we pray for Your world so full of hatred, violence and prejudice.
We pray for those who have so little when we have so much.
We pray for those suffering from drought, floods, storms, fires and other effects of climate change
We pray for our leaders, for wisdom, justice and compassion.
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Lord, we pray for your church throughout the world
That Christians everywhere may be safe to worship you
And our leaders may be empowered to speak of your justice and mercy
We pray for the Oakham Team
For the person you will call to be our new Team Rector
For all those serve, give and use their talents to lead us in the interregnum.
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Lord, we pray for those who are suffering,
For those who are in abusive relationships,
For those who are in financial difficulties,
For those with mental health problems,
For the sick, the frail, the dying and the bereaved
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

A time for quiet prayer

Evening Collect

Lighten our darkness, Lord we pray,
And in your great mercy
defend us from all perils and dangers of this night,
For the love of your only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Song

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy,
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all joy,
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace,
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Words: Joyce Placzek (Jan Struther) 1901-1953
(Ancient and Modern 713)

Blessing

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ
And the love of God
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
Be with us all evermore
Amen

News from the Team

Prayer for the Sick

We pray to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for those suffering in body, mind or spirit, among Lorraine Perril, David Pattinson, Geraldine Feehally, Peter Hill and Cliff Horton; and for all who care for and support them.
We also pray for those we know, those who have no-one to pray for them and for all who care for and support them in any way.
The names of Michael Hardy and Jack Pearce are now in the book of prayer for those who have been unwell for a while. This book is kept in the Trinity Chapel and we're all encouraged to add the people to our own prayers, even if not by name.

All Souls Service
12 noon, Monday 2 November

On All Souls Day at All Saints we will have our usual service at Holy Communion during which the names of all those who have had their funeral service here in the past three years will be read out, and candles lit.

Anyone is welcome to add names to the list for remembering on that day, whether or not they are able to come to the service.

The list is by the South door.
All are welcome to the service.

Remembering the recently departed

We remember with thanksgiving those recently departed this life, among them Jim Rimmington, Eileen Strick and Lynda Allman; and we pray for the families and friends of those who have died.
Please phone the Team office or email notices@oakhamteam.org.uk to add names to these lists.

Churches Together in Oakham Prayers

During October and November the regular prayers led by Churches Together will be here at All Saints at 1pm.

House Groups

Tuesdays (1st and 3rd) from 10-11.30am at 56 Spinney Hill LE15 6JL. (Corinna Woods 07758 624658, email corimarywoods@gmail.com

Thursdays (2nd and 4th) at 2.30pm at 6 Peterborough Avenue (Patrick Wilson 723288).
Please get in touch if you are thinking of joining a group; you are welcome to come and see whether you feel it's the right place for you.

Rutland Concert Band

8pm Monday 12 October
Concert at All Saints
This should be a wonderful evening – please do support this event, which is in part a fundraiser for All Saints. See page 28 for details.

CAMEO

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 14 October in the Church Hall from 10am-1pm.

Music at Lunchtime

1.40pm All Saints Church

Admission free, donations to All Saints Church welcome. Note there will not be a concert on 21 or 28 October during half term.

Wednesday 14 October

Olivia Stran *clarinet*

Wednesday 4 November

Isabelle White *piano*

October Church Walk

The October walk on Thursday 22nd is from Normanton Park Hotel LE15 8RP with the usual 10:15 to pre order food ready for a 10:30 start.

The walk will be alongside Rutland Water, out and back approx one hour each way with a break for coffee. There are no stiles, good surfaces and very flat...

All are welcome, especially anyone wishing to only enjoy the lunch. If you wish you can place your food order by calling 01780 720315 by close of play on Wednesday 21st.

We look forward to seeing you.

Liz and Richard Plummer

Christmas Tree Festival – invitations!

We're planning a **Christmas Tree Festival at All Saints over the weekend 4-6 December** – not on a big scale, but as a bit of a fundraiser and social event. Invitations are going out around groups and businesses around Oakham, and these forms can also be found at the back of church for groups and individuals in the congregation We're hoping to fill the church with lots of tree displays around the theme '**Winter Wonderland'**, and we know that several local uniformed groups are already preparing their displays.

If you or a group you are part of would like to join in, please speak to Pam Gilbert or Ann Blackett or pick up a form at either of the church doors

Voluntary Action Rutland

A sad update for those at CAMEO who heard the recent VAR presentation. On the weekend 2nd to 3rd October both VAR minibuses were vandalised, one stolen and found in a nearby field minus an engine and battery. An impact on the ability to supply much needed services.

Richard Plummer

Food 'snatchers'

A note from Brian Chester in Egleton – if you see any donations in the Food Bank box by the West Door, please move them to the box in the Mayhew Room for safety.

Food snatchers are still 'on the prowl'. Holy Trinity, Teigh, recently reported that many of the Food Bank offerings given at Harvest Festival had 'disappeared'; St Edmund's, Egleton can now report that three tins of food placed in the church's Bank donation box, have also been 'removed'. It seems likely that the 'food lifters' are aware of our activities and possibly those churches which have permanent donation boxes.

Fairtrade Matters

We are now in Fairtrade Fortnight and I will once again be taking orders for The Real Advent Calendars, which are the only calendars telling our Christmas story. They are not available in shops and are a fun way for children (and adults) to be reminded of the true meaning of Christmas.

I am selling these at £5.00 each, and taking orders throughout October and early November.

Please support this worthy cause, as cocoa farmers struggle with adapting to climate change. Remember, you can support Fairtrade throughout the year, with groceries, gifts and Using cafés offering Fairtrade coffee and teas. Thank you.

Patricia Cairns (tel .01572 510318)

Oakham Parish Library at Nottingham University

Wednesday 2 December

The Oakham Parish Library (see the exhibition in the north transept) is actually physically held in the Manuscripts Department at Nottingham University. The staff there have obtained a small community grant that they wish to spend to bring a group of up to 15 people from Oakham to Nottingham on Wednesday December 2nd, for a session exploring the books in the Oakham library in the Manuscripts Department, a lunch at the Lakeside Arts Centre, followed by a viewing of the Exhibition "Secret and Sacred Libraries from East Midlands Parishes" (see elsewhere in WftW). Everything would be paid for including travel from Oakham and lunch. Provisional timings depart Oakham at9.30 to 10.00 and return around 4.00. If you would like to be part of the party, please contact me by October 20th at the latest - either by email on bakercj54@gmail,com, or by text on 07881 665154. After that I will advertise any remaining spaces to other organisations in the town.

Chris Baker

Important notice from the Parish Safeguarding Officers

If you have a safeguarding concern, please email us at safeguarding_oakham@oakhamteam.org.uk You will then get an 'out of office response', however this address is monitored regularly and we will respond as soon as we can.

If you believe that someone is at immediate risk of harm, or there is an emergency, please contact the Police by calling **999**.

If you wish to report a safeguarding concern directly to the Diocese of Peterborough, please complete the online reporting form: Report a safeguarding concern to the Diocese of Peterborough

If the concern relates to a child or vulnerable adult who is not in immediate danger but requires urgent attention from statutory services, please contact Rutland County Council on 01572 758 407.

Pam Cook (Parish Safeguarding Officer and Derek Cullen (Deputy PSO)

All Saints Church Oakham

Rutland Big Band

Monday October 12th 8.00pm

Adults £15.00 (Under 18 No Charge)
Tickets on the door or from
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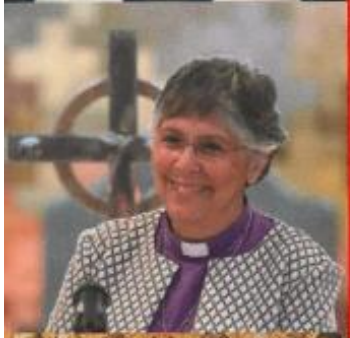

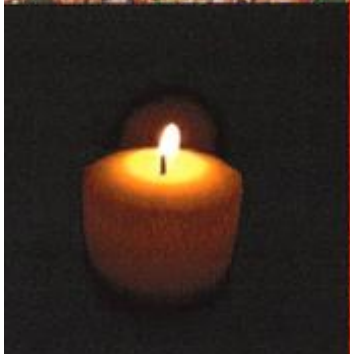

All Saints Festival

October 29th to November 2nd at All Saints Oakham

Thursday October 29th
7.00 All Saints concert by the choir of Clare College Cambridge, including Duruflé's requiem

Friday October 30th
5.00. All Saints Lecture. Bishop Guli Francis-Dehqani – Saints, synods and society. Being a Bishop in 2026

Saturday October 31st
10.00 -12.00 Pop up cafe with tour of the church at 11.00

Sunday November 1st
10.30 Eucharist for All Saints Day
6.00 Choral Evensong for All Saints Day

Monday November 2nd
12.00 A service of remembrance for All Souls Day

CAMEO

Autumn 2026

A social morning for all

2nd & 4th Wednesdays 10am -1pm

All Saints Church Hall

Programme, (£4)

10.00 Arrive, Tea/Coffee chat, games, craft

11.00 Speaker

11.45 Favourite hymns & prayers

12.00 Lunch; Soup, bread, Pudding, Tea/Coffee

Oct 14th Andy Compton
'Up before the beak'

Oct 28th Rita Harding Divey
Tales from my M&S career.

Nov 11th David Pattinson
Fantasy Island

Nov 25th Dave Andrews
100 years of Auntie

Dec 9th Christmas lunch

Rutland Foodbank Wish-List
Harvest / Autumn 2026

✓
- Long-life milk (blue & green)
- Small jars of coffee
- Tinned meats (ham, corned beef, chicken)
- Pot noodles, noodles & instant meals
- Rice (microwaveable sachets preferred)
- Porridge
- Juice, snacks and cereal bars for pack-ups
- Washing pods
- Toiletries

Important

✗ Please note we cannot accept over the counter medication, alcohol, fresh & fridge items, homemade, open or out of date foods

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Saturday 14th November
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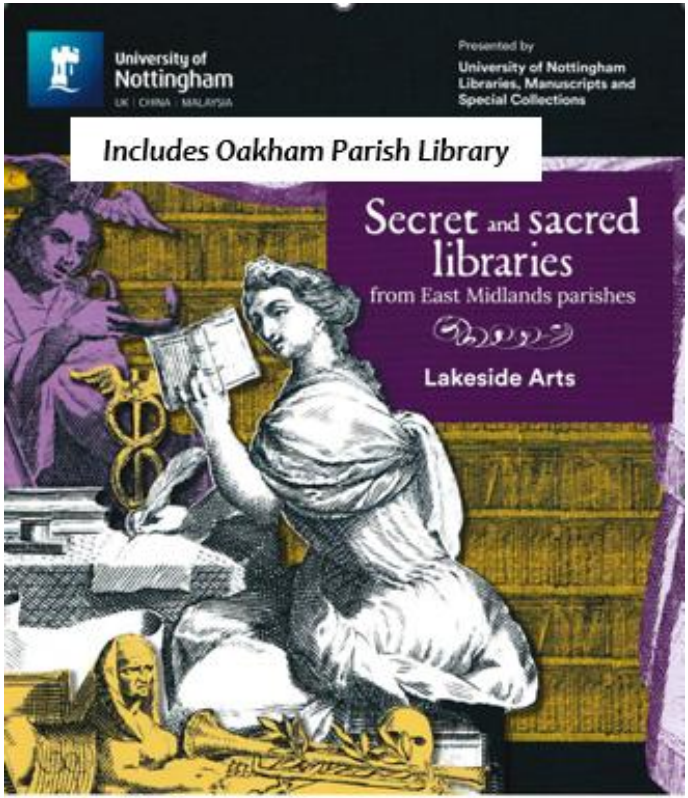

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The Choir of Clare College Cambridge

directed by Graham Ross

Requiem

M. Duruflé

This concert is part of the College's 700th anniversary celebrations.

The programme will also include:
Stanford *Justorum animae*, Bainton *And I saw a new heaven*, Bairstow *Greater love hath no man than this*, Graham Ross arrangement of *"Abide with me"*

All Saints Church - Oakham
7.00pm Thursday 29th October

General Admission £20.00
Under 18 admission free
Tickets from wegottickets.com/f/21417
or from the QR code below or on the door

The Choir of Clare College is one of the world's leading university choirs, praised as "thrilling and "outstanding", with recent capacity concerts in Sinfonia Smith Square and Amsterdam Concertgebouw.

Bereavement Support

The Oakham Team Ministry hosts a monthly drop-in group for those seeking support following the loss of a loved one, regardless of how much time has passed.

We warmly invite you to join us on the last Friday of every month.
The next group will be **Friday 25th September** at **All Saints Church Hall, 10.30am-12pm**

There is no charge, and no booking is required. Everyone is welcome, of all faiths or none. We will be there to listen, to make you a cup of tea, and to signpost you to other services when needed.

For more information, please contact **Lisa Edge: 07725129321** (lisa.edge@mail.bcu.ac.uk) or **Sian Cheverton: 07791001365** (siancheverton@yahoo.co.uk)

The Bereavement Help Point Rutland also offers two weekly drop-in groups in Oakham and Uppingham, both of which aim to provide bereaved people with a place to access information and support.

Oakham Library: Every **Monday 2-4pm** (Excluding Bank Holidays)
The Falcon Hotel, Uppingham: Every **Thursday 3-5pm**

For more information, please visit: **www.bhprutland.com**

2nd Sunday@6 – programme July-December

This café-style service starts at 6pm but do get there a few minutes early for a cup of tea or coffee and a snack.

We sit informally at the tables in the Lady Chapel, and after a short introduction to that evening's Bible passage, there is time to discuss among ourselves and share our thoughts and ideas.

We end with about 20 minutes of worship and prayer, finishing by 7pm.

We are continuing to look at Peter's First Letter - thinking about what the letter teaches us about Christ, about salvation, and the challenges we face living as Christians.

12th July: 1 Peter 2: 1-25 - Living for Christ, our Cornerstone

9th August: *Summer break, no service*

20th September: 1 Peter 3: 1-22 - Practical Christian Living (note: for September only, this service will be on the third Sunday of the month)

11th October: 1 Peter 4: 1-19 - More practical Christian Living

8th November: 1 Peter 5: 1-14 – And more practical Christian Living

13th December: Advent Theme

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Praying Alone

Praying Together

Daily Prayer This Week

Morning Prayer is streamed live on the Oakham Team Ministry Facebook page at 8.30am on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and is available after that on Facebook and the website.
On Tuesdays and Thursdays Morning Prayer is said in All Saints Oakham, at 8.30am.

Readings and Collect Prayer for Morning Prayer in the coming week.

Trinity 19	Readings for Morning Prayer
Monday 12 October	Psalms **98,** 99, 101; 2 Kings 17.24-end Philippians 1.1-11
Tuesday 13 October	Psalm **106*** (or 103) 2 Kings 18.1-12 Philippians 1.12-end
Wednesday 14 October	Psalms 110, **111,** 112; 2 Kings 18.13-end Philippians 2.1-13
Thursday 15 October	Psalms 113, **115;** 2 Kings 19.1-9 Philippians 2.14-end
Friday 16 October	Psalm **139**; 2 Kings 19.20-36 Philippians 3.1-4.1
Saturday 17 October	Psalm 120, **121,** 122; 2 Kings 20 Philippians 4.2-end

Faithful Lord,
whose steadfast love never ceases
and whose mercies never come to an end:
grant us the grace to trust you
and to receive the gifts of your love,
new every morning,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.