



Newsletter

(14) Sunday 30 Sept to Saturday 13 Oct 2018

Our aim is to *KNOW* God through Jesus,
GROW in faith, and *SHOW* God's love in our community



"The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good." Genesis 1:12

I love this time of year; the 'season of mists and mellow fruitfulness'*, leaves changing from bright greens to golds and reds, crisp frosty mornings and bright Autumn days.

Over the summer Judith brings freshly picked vegetables from the allotment to St Andrew's for us to buy. This weekend she will bring the last of the vegetables of the year to decorate the church for the Harvest Festival.

Harvest – a celebration of the hard work that goes into providing food. Food from allotments, farms, gardens, greenhouses and orchards. Millions of people around the world work hard to provide the food we all eat week by week. Crops planted weeks, months, even years ago and cared for in the hope that there will be a crop to eat and sell.

We have much to be thankful for; with plentiful food readily available. But there are many of us who go hungry, people in our communities who use foodbanks or rely on free school meals to provide hot meals for their children, people in other countries who have to rely on aid, while tons of food go to waste.

In the creation stories God made sure that there were fruits and grains for food in the Garden of Eden, but Adam and Eve had to till the earth, to work to ensure that the land continued to be fruitful.

The gifts from God are ours, but not ours to waste, we may not grow our own food, but we can all do our part to reduce the food we waste and work to ensure everyone has a fair share of the abundant food God has provided for us; the best way to thank God for his good gifts.

* *Keats 'Ode to Autumn'*

Revd Hilary

REGULAR SERVICES

Sundays: St Paul's 10am (HC 7 Oct) St Andrew's 11am (HC)

Christian Meditation: 7.30-8.30pm (details 792-1098)

Morning Prayers: Mon; Tues (9am); Weds (9.15am)

Night Prayers Tues: 8.45pm (details from 798 6917)

Wednesdays: St Paul's 10am Holy Communion St Andrew's 2pm Prayers

Bible Readings

30 Sep (Harvest) Joel 2:21-28; 2 Cor. 9:6-11

7 Oct Job 1:1, 2:1-10 & Mark 10: 2-16 (Psalm 26)

10 Oct Psalm 117 & Luke 11:1-4

DIARY DATES

30 Sept 10am St. Paul's Harvest All Age Worship service with guest preacher Revd. Stuart Cornes, Mission Support Priest to Salford Archdeaconry. Please bring your harvest gifts of non-perishable foods for the Booth Centre. (e.g. coffee, tea, sugar, and tinned and packet food). All donations gratefully received.

30 Sept 11am St. Andrew's Harvest celebration. As usual Judith Walsh will be bringing some of her fruit and vegetables for the allotment to decorate the church. Gifts for the Booth Centre gratefully received.

Mon 1 Oct 7.15 to 9pm PCC meeting at St. Paul's in the Harrison Room.

Tue 2 Oct at 9.30am. School Harvest Service in St Paul's Church (please note change of date).

Sat 6 Oct Grand re-opening of Messy Church at 2.30pm at St. Andrew's-Harvest Celebration.

Mon 8 Oct 7.30 to 9pm meeting of the Friends of Kersal Moor in the Harrison Room.

Tues 9 Oct 1.30 to 3.30. TIME OUT at 5 Moorside Road.

Wed 10 Oct Flourish planning meeting- 7.30pm at Prestwich Methodist Church.

FUTURE DATES AND NOTICES

Parish Weekend Away

13th/15th/16th September 2019

Once more we are going to Thornleigh Christian Hotel, Grange over Sands, where we enjoy a warm welcome, good food and fellowship, in very comfortable surroundings.

Revd. Lee is leading the Weekend (further details will follow).

All rooms en suite. Lift to all floors.

Transport arranged. Full Board from Friday dinner to Sunday lunch £145.00 (the price may increase by a small amount). Part payments taken through the year. There is the option of an extra night for £35.00

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providing ten or more take up this offer. For more details or to book a place please contact Maureen on 0161 792 4873 or email rober382@sky.com

SPECIAL MESSAGES

Manchester Christmas Markets this year will be help daily from 12 noon starting from Friday 9 November to 22 December.

Many thanks to Avril Hackett who raised over £150 for Help for Heroes through their recent Bake for Heroes initiative. Thanks to all at St Paul's who contributed to this via Wednesday coffee morning.

Thankyou to everyone who worked to make the Harvest Supper so successful- a thoroughly enjoyable evening. The HODS churchyard trail walks were well attended by people from all over the city.

Thankyou to everyone who supported the Macmillan Coffee morning-£270 was raised.

Please pray for Open Doors workers and our persecuted family in Syria. where there is a shortage of food and rising prices and the war is continuing. Pray for Open Doors' local church partners supporting those who have been left behind - the elderly, the sick, those with young families - with vital relief aid. Pray that all involved in this war - rebel groups, the Syrian government and army, foreign governments who send troops to Syria - will work towards peace and reconciliation. Thank you and God Bless You. Maureen Roberts.

Azarnoush would like to buy a cheapish second hand car. If you know of anyone who is exchanging cars and wishes to sell would you please talk to Azarnoush. Thank you

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