



Sunday 13 Sept 2026 - Season of Creation

Sun 13 Sept	10.30am: Holy Eucharist President and Preacher: Rev'd Nick Parker
Wed 16 Sept	9.30am: Morning Prayer at St Michael's Chapel
	10am: Holy Eucharist at St Michael's Chapel
Sun 20 Sept	10.30am: Holy Eucharist President and Preacher: Fr Simon

WE PRAY FOR

In need: Angela, Hazel, Rosie Hayler, David Yarnold, Morwenna Nicholls, baby Shae, Rowan and Gill Hughes

The departed: Mary Copsey

In memory: Margaret Shinton, Gordon Self, Vera Upton, James Austen, Pat Bass.

COLLECT PRAYER

Gracious God, the air sings with songs of glory, water flashes silver with creation, and the forests bloom with leaves for healing nations. May your light and love fill our hearts and souls and minds, that we may share your abundant grace with the world. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: 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.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 12.16-30

Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

He said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them.

NOTICES

Produce Table: There will not be a table on Sun 13 or 20 Sept.

Names for Prayers. This list will be revised from the end of Sept. If you wish names to be included please let Paul or Jennifer know.

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1. Praise and thanksgiving, Father, we offer,
for all things living you have made good.
Harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard,
hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.

Lord, bless the labour we bring to serve you,
that with our neighbour we may be fed.
Sowing or tilling, we would work with you;
harvesting, milling, for daily bread.

Father, providing food for your children,
your wisdom guiding teaches us share
one with another, so that rejoicing
sister and brother may know thy care.

Then will thy blessing reach every people;
each one confessing your gracious hand.
When you are reigning no one will hunger,
your love sustaining; fruitful the land.

2. Give thanks with a grateful heart.

Give thanks to the Holy One.
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ, His Son. *(Repeat)*

And now let the weak say 'I am strong,'
Let the poor say 'I am rich,'
Because of what the Lord has done for us.
(Repeat)

(Last time)
Give thanks.

3. Come now, the table's spread,
in Jesus' name we break the bread,
here shall we all be fed
within the reign of God.
Come, take this holy food,
receive the body and the blood,
grace is a mighty flood,
within the reign of God.

*Blessed are they who will feast in the reign of God!
Blessed are they who will share the bread of life!
Blessed are they who are least in the reign of God!
They shall rejoice at the feast of life!*

Stand up and do not fear
for Christ is truly present here,
sing out, and cease your tears
within the reign of God.
Welcome the weak and poor,
the sinner finds an open door,
none judged, and none ignored
within the reign of God.
Blessed are they who will feast in the reign of God!...

Here shall the weary rest,
the stranger be a welcome guest,
so shall we all be blest
within the reign of God.
Now at this wedding feast,
the greatest here shall be the least,
all bonds shall be released
within the reign of God.

*Blessed are they who will feast in the reign of God!
Blessed are they who will share the bread of life!
Blessed are they who are least in the reign of God!
They shall rejoice at the feast of life!*

4. Lord, you created a world rich in splendour;
touched by a beauty no words can express.
Able to move us to outbursts of wonder,
so much to thrill us and so much to bless.

Mountains and moorlands rise up to the heavens,
rivers and streams tumble down to the sea,
gifts that amaze in profusion surround us,
each a reflection of your majesty.

Promise of springtime and harvest of autumn,
cold winter mornings and warm summer days,
season by season brings new joys to greet us,
reason to thank you and reason to praise.

Deep in the forest, remote in the desert,
down in the ocean or high in the air;
life in abundance is ev'rywhere round us,
proof of your power and sign of your care.

Lord, you have given a world rich in splendour,
touched with a beauty that fills us with awe;
hear now our praises, we bring you our worship,
with all creation we kneel and adore.

