



HOLY TRINITY MILFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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The Benefice of St John the Evangelist, Hazelwood, with St Lawrence Shottle; St Michael, Holbrook; Holy Trinity, Milford & Makeney.

Dear Friends

'Give thanks to the Lord our God and King, his love endures for ever.' So writes the psalmist. I wonder what you feel thankful for this month?

As we prepare to celebrate our harvest festivals, we remember God's gift of creation and his provision of our needs through the natural cycle of growth. We are thankful for all those who work hard on our farms, out at sea, in factories, supermarkets and the myriad other ways that people are part of the food chain that brings such a wonderful variety of goods and foods into our life. We are also mindful of all those less fortunate than we are and the privilege we have of being able to share what we have with them and be a blessing to them through our support of charities, mission agencies, food banks etc...

As always, the churches in our benefice are also supporting the Bishop's Harvest appeal raising funds to support a hospital in Sarenga, Durgapur, giving thanks to God for the gift of the NHS and our free healthcare; doing what we can to enable the people in this community of India to experience a little of the blessing we have with our health care.

We also give thanks for our family, friends and local community. Also, for the opportunities we have to partner together to make a difference. Last month we completed the induction of our 12 pastoral care team volunteers and once we have received through the outstanding DBS checks and completed the initial safeguarding training we will commission them and pray that they will be a blessing to those in our community needing a little comfort, support and TLC as we give thanks for all those who love and look after us. We are also thankful for the community members in Milford who are committing themselves to work together to try and keep the building open and exploring the possibility of turning the building around by creating a shared purpose building with space for church, community and business activity.

Give thanks to the Lord, our God and King, his love endures for ever. Why not join your local church in giving thanks for the blessings we have received? Details of things you could get involved with are in the following pages.

God bless, Nicky

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ROTA OF SERVICES FOR OCTOBER

7th October	Nineteenth Sunday After Trinity
<i>Colour: Green</i>	
Bible readings	Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16; Psalm 8
Reader	
Hazelwood	11:00am Holy Communion
Holbrook	10:45am Matins
	No Evening service, Bishop's Badge presentation at the cathedral
Milford	No service

14th October	Twentieth Sunday After Trinity (Harvest for Milford and Shottle)
<i>Colour: Green</i>	
Bible Readings	Hebrews 4:12-end; Mark 10:17-31; Psalm 90:12-end
Harvest Readings	Joel 2:21-27; Matthew 6:25-33; Psalm 126
Reader	
Hazelwood	3:00pm Evensong
Holbrook	10:45am Holy Communion
Milford	9:00am Harvest festival and Holy Communion
Shottle	7:00pm Harvest festival

21st October	Twenty-First Sunday After Trinity
<i>Colour: Green</i>	
Bible Readings	Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45; Psalm 91:9-end
Reader	
Hazelwood	11:00 am Holy Communion
Holbrook	10:45am Family worship
Milford	No Service

28th October	Twenty-Second Sunday After Trinity (Harvest for Hazelwood and Holbrook)
<i>Colour: Green</i>	
Bible Readings	Hebrews 7:23-end; Mark 10:46-end
Harvest Readings	Joel 2:21-27; Matthew 6:25-33; Psalm 126
Reader	
Hazelwood	3:00pm Harvest festival
Holbrook	10:45 am Harvest festival and Holy Communion
Milford	9:00am Holy Communion

4th November	All Saints Day
<i>Colour: white</i>	
Bible readings	Rev 21:1-6; John 11:32-44; Psalm 21:1-6
Reader	
Hazelwood	11:00am Holy Communion
Holbrook	10:45am Matins
	6:30pm Evensong and Holy Communion
Milford	No service

EVENTS ACROSS THE BENEFICE

Fri 5th – Coffee morning at Milford Baptist, 10-12pm

Sat 6th weddings at both Hazelwood and Holbrook Churches

Weds 10th – St Michael's Fellowship 2:30-4:00pm Holbrook Moor Methodist

Tues 16th – Chevin group meeting at Heage

Weds 24th Community free soup lunch 1:00 Holbrook Moor Methodist Church

Tues 30th – Knit and Natter 2:00-3:00pm at Fir Farm, Hob Hill, Hazelwood

PASTORAL VISITS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

If you know someone in the community who would value a pastoral visit from a member of the church's pastoral team, please encourage them to contact Nicky and she will arrange for someone to come and visit. Also, if you would like us to pray for someone during our worship please email the details to Nicky (we do need the person's consent to name them in public).

HARVEST

Dates for this year's harvest festivals and suppers are below. Anyone would be very welcome to come along, meet some new people, enjoy the food and activity and help us raise funds and give thanks. Information and tickets is available from the named people or from Nicky the vicar.

Hazelwood – festival 28th Oct 3:00pm, supper Fri 19th Oct 7:00pm,
Hazelwood Memorial hall cottage pie, apple pie, singer/ magician, tickets £7

Holbrook – festival 28th Oct 10:45pm lunch Sat 13th Oct 12:30pm, Holbrook C
of E School hall, fish and chips, fruit pie and Bingo tickets from Lily Shaw

Milford – festival 14th Oct 9:00am, Supper Fri 12th Oct 6:30pm The Grapes
Function room chilli or cheese jacket potatoes, cakes with quiz, tickets from
Cyn Varney

Shottle – festival 14th Oct 7:00pm, supper Monday 22nd October pie and
peas with quiz

Bishop's Harvest appeal

To celebrate the 70th anniversary of the NHS in the UK, we are supporting a 125 bed hospital and community health programme run by the Sarenga Hospital in Durgapur, North India this year. The appeal runs from July to January. Each church has posters and bookmarks giving more information and there is also material on the Diocesan website and an article in the next edition of Together magazine. If you would like to contribute to this appeal, cash or cheques payable to 'the Bishop of Derby's Harvest appeal' can be given via any of the benefice churches.

THE FUTURE OF HOLY TRINITY, MILFORD CHURCH

We were delighted that about 30 members of the community came on Sept 10th and were keen to help try and retain the church into the future.

The Immediate Problem

The most immediate problem is our monthly income is short by about £470 a month and our reserves will have all gone by Christmas without additional support. About 20 people took a direct debit form to complete, hopefully that will bring us near to our target, we will know by the middle of November. If you would like to make a one-off or regular donation, however small or large, forms are available from Nicky. We have also had an expression of interest in renting out a room and are currently working on enabling that to happen which would help us reach our target. We still need a treasurer, if you know someone willing to undertake some basic book keeping and preparation of annual accounts on a voluntary basis, we would be very grateful for the help.

The Medium Term Problem

We received several volunteers to help deliver our monthly magazine and we had several people willing to join monthly working parties to take care of cleaning, gardening and basic repairs and anyone with some spare time occasionally would be welcome to come and help us maintain the building.

We are forming 2 teams, one 10-12 on the third Monday of even months (15th Oct, 17th Dec) and the other 10-12 on the third Saturday of odd months (17th Nov, 19th Jan). Ideally, we would love to find someone with confidence in maintaining buildings who could take the lead in organising and overseeing each team to ensure we operate safely, appropriately and efficiently. If you might be willing to oversee either of these teams, please talk to Nicky.

We were asked if the church could be open, so we will trial this on Mondays and Fridays during daylight hours this month. There is a leaflet helping you to pray around the building at the back of church and we will create a prayer station suitable for adults and children to use in the sanctuary too. If you pop in, please sign the visitors sheet at the back so we know how many come.

Long Term Problem

We have had a few volunteers offering to commit to forming a team to look at the possibility of managing a project to turn the building into a combined church/community/business centre and they will meet monthly to explore and work towards this with help and support from external groups and bodies such as the diocese and we will keep people in touch through the magazine.

Community events

Alongside all this, we are putting together a programme of community events to draw the community together and raise funds. Current ideas and offers include: harvest supper, remembrance service, beer and carols night, Christmas crib service with crafts, a historical talk, two concerts, a Shrove Tuesday pancake party, afternoon tea for Mums after school, Easter craft Eggstravaganza, summer teddy bears picnic, pimmis and hymns night....

Next month's magazine will hopefully include a calendar of events you would all be welcome to come along to and please send other ideas/offers our way. Many, many thanks for the help, support and partnership being offered.