

The Parish Church of St Matthew
Northampton

Harvest Thanksgiving



*Jesus said, 'Even King Solomon in all his glory
was not clothed like one of these.'*

All Age Mass for the Parish Family
with Holy Baptism

Sunday 4 October 2026

10.15 am

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Collection - 'Building a Generous Church'



Our response to God's generosity

We believe in a generous God, who longs for us to share his generosity with others. A generous life is therefore a hallmark of our faith and a testament to it, as the more generous we are, the more we reflect the generous God we believe in. Generosity is, therefore, at the heart of our faith, and our own generosity is a sure sign of our faith in action. Generosity is a spiritual gift, and we need to encourage people to seek this gift as they grow in their faith. The ministry and mission of St Matthew's is largely funded through the incredible generosity of those who give to it.

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A very warm welcome to our Harvest Thanksgiving, and especially to AJ, her family and friends as we celebrate her baptism.

Harvest is a time to give thanks for the food we enjoy, for the earth which provides it, and for all who work to bring it to our tables.

This year the weather has made that work particularly challenging, reminding us that harvest is never something we can simply take for granted. So we give thanks not only for what has been gathered, but for the people whose skill and hard work have brought it in, and for the generosity of God which sustains us.

Today we also celebrate another kind of harvest: the gathering of people into the family of God. As AJ begins her journey of faith, we pray that she may grow in love and bear fruit in her life for Christ.

Prayer

Loving God, we thank you for the gifts of your creation,
for the food we share,
and for all who work to bring it to us.
In a difficult year,
help us to receive your gifts with gratitude
and to share them generously with others.
We thank you especially today for AJ.
As she begins her journey of faith,
may she grow in your love
and bear fruit in a life of kindness, faith and joy.
Bless our worship,
and make us thankful and generous people.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Order of Service

¶ Gathering to Worship God

§ Stand at the sound of the bell

Call to Worship

Priest God gives us the earth and all that grows upon it,
All and we give thanks for his goodness.

God gives us one another,
All and calls us to share what we have received.

God gives us new life in Christ,
All and gathers us into his family.

As God's people we have gathered:
All let us worship and adore him together.

Hymn

§ The flags are presented

All NOW the harvest is all gathered,
Let us eat the Sharing Bread,
In our family all together,
As our custom is, we said.
And we pass the Bread among us,
Thanking God that all are fed.

But there comes a gentle knocking,
Just before we break the Bread,
From our neighbours in the doorway:
'Harvest failed for us,' they said.
So we share the Bread among them,
Thanking God that all are fed.

Soon we hear a growing murmur,
As we eat the Sharing Bread,
From the neighbours of our neighbours:
'We are starving, friends,' it said.
Then we stretch the Bread out further
Thanking God that all are fed.

When the world begins to clamour,
We cry, 'Take our Sharing Bread,
Miracles we cannot offer!'
'Oh, it happened once,' they said,
'Thousands of us ate together
Thanking God that all are fed.'

Words Arthur Scholey b 1932

Music St Helen

† In the name of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
All Amen.

The Greeting

All Let everything be said and done in the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks to God through Jesus Christ.

All Let us bring our gifts to the Lord
that they may be used for his glory.

All May the Spirit of God fill our hearts
as we come to meet him in this place.

The service is introduced

Introduction to Baptism

Our Lord Jesus Christ has told us
that to enter the kingdom of heaven
we must be born again of water and the Spirit,
and has given us baptism as the sign and seal of this new birth.
Here we are washed by the Holy Spirit and made clean.
Here we are clothed with Christ,
dying to sin that we may live his risen life.
As children of God, we have a new dignity
and God calls us to fullness of life.

S AJ returns to her seat

Glory to God

All **Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you,
we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Opening Prayer

Creator God,
you made the goodness of the land,
the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons;
as we thank you for the harvest,
may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

§ Sit

¶ Hearing and Responding to the Word of God

First Reading

Reader A reading from Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

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

'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;
his righteousness endures for ever.'

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. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. 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, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

2 Corinthians 9,6-15

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

§ Stand

Gospel Reading

Acclamation

1. Choir
2. Choir and Congregation

Fintan O'Carroll

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Choir Lift up your eyes and see the fields, for they are ripe for harvesting: gather the harvest for eternal life, that sower and reaper may rejoice together.

All **Alleluia ...**

All The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

Jesus 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."¹⁹ 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.

Luke 12.16-30

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



All

Praise to you, O Christ.

Hymn

S The choir come and sit in the nave

All

God, whose farm is all creation,
Take the gratitude we give;
Take the finest of our harvest,
Crops we grow that we may live.

Take our ploughing, seeding, reaping,
Hopes and fears of sun and rain,
All our thinking, planning, waiting,
Ripened in this fruit and grain.

All our labour, all our watching,
All our calendar of care,
In these crops of your creation,
Take, O God: they are our prayer.

Words John Arlott 1914-1991

Music Gott Will's Machen

Harvest Presentation

§ Sit

The themes of day are briefly explored

¶ The Liturgy of Baptism

§ Stand

Vidi Aquam

The presiding priest leads AJ to the baptistry

*Choir I beheld water,
which proceeded out of the temple,
on the right side thereof, alleluia.
And all they to whom that water came, were healed every one:
and they say, alleluia.*

*Latin, from Ezekiel 47
Music Stephen Moore b.1984*

Presentation of the Candidate

The priest addresses the candidate:

AJ, do you wish to be baptized?

Answer **I do.**

Then, to the whole congregation

We thank God for AJ who has come to be baptized today.
Christ loves her and welcomes her into his Church.

Will you support her on her journey of faith?

All **We will.**

The Decision

We all wander far from God and lose our way:
Christ comes to find us and welcomes us home.
In baptism we respond to his call.

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?

All **I reject them.**

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

All **I renounce them.**

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God
and neighbour?

All **I repent of them.**

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

All **I turn to Christ.**

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

All **I submit to Christ.**

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?
All **I come to Christ.**

May almighty God
who has given you the desire to follow Christ
give you the strength to continue in the way.
All **Amen.**

Signing with the Cross

The priest anoints AJ with the Oil of Baptism making the sign of the cross on her forehead

Christ claims you for his own.
Receive the sign of his cross.

Do not be ashamed of Christ.
You are his for ever.
All **Stand bravely with him against all the powers of evil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.
All **Amen.**

Prayer over the Water

We praise you, loving Father, for the gift of your Son Jesus.
He was baptized in the River Jordan,
where your Spirit came upon him
and revealed him as the Son you love.
He sent his followers to baptize all who turn to him.

Now, Father, we ask you to † bless this water,
that those who are baptized in it
may be cleansed in the water of life,
and, filled with your Spirit,
may know that they are loved as your children,
safe in Christ for ever.

All **Amen.**

The Apostles' Creed

Priest Brothers and sisters,
I ask you to profess together with AJ the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

All **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

All **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

All **I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Baptism

The priest pours holy water over AJ's head three times, saying

AJ Rowan Lupita, I baptize you in the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

Anointing with the Oil of Chrism

*AJ is once more anointed, this time making the sign of the cross
on the crown of the head*

May God, who has received you by baptism into his Church,
pour upon you the riches of his grace,
that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people
you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit,
and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory.

All **Amen.**

Giving of a Lighted Candle

AJ is given a baptismal candle lit from the Easter Candle

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.

You have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.

All **Shine as a light in the world
to the glory of God the Father.**

Commission

Those who are baptized are called to worship and serve God.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
In the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

AJ **With the help of God, I will.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into
sin, repent and return to the Lord?

AJ **With the help of God, I will.**

Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in
Christ?

AJ **With the help of God, I will.**

Will you seek and serve Christ in all people, loving your neighbour
as yourself?

AJ **With the help of God, I will.**

Will you acknowledge Christ's authority over human society, by
prayer for the world and its leaders, by defending the weak, and
be seeking peace and justice?

AJ **With the help of God, I will.**

May Christ dwell in your heart through faith,
that you may be rooted and grounded in love
and bring forth the fruit of the Spirit.

All **Amen.**

S *The congregation turn towards the front
and kneel for the prayers*

S *The baptismal group return to their seats,
and the priest and server return to the nave sanctuary*

Sprinkling with Holy Water

O God most high, in the sacrifice of your risen Son
you have made spring up fountains of living water;
may this sprinkling revive in us the grace of baptism
that we also may rise to the glory of new and eternal life.

All **Father, cleanse and bless your people.**

S *The priest sprinkles the people with holy water drawn from the font as a reminder of baptism, and through which we share in the life of Christ*

During which the following is sung ...

Water of Life



Choir All you who thirst, come to the waters;
and you will never be thirsty again. **Refrain**

As rain from heaven, so is God's word,
it waters the earth and brings forth life. **Refrain**

Dying with Christ, so we shall rise with him,
death shall no longer have power over us. **Refrain**

Turn to the Lord, cast off your wickedness,
you will find peace in his infinite love. **Refrain**

When the priest has returned to his chair ...

Priest God of life, from the beginning you have watered the earth
and brought forth life in abundance.
You have given us water to drink, water to cleanse,
and water through which we are born again.

Today we thank you for the gift of baptism
and especially for AJ,
whom you have welcomed into the family of your Church.
As seeds grow in good soil,
may she grow in the knowledge and love of Christ.
As a harvest is gathered in,
gather us into the life of your kingdom.
And as Christ calls us to bear fruit in the world,
may our lives show the harvest of your Spirit:
love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,
goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

All **Father, refresh us in the grace of our baptism.
Help us to grow in faith, to flourish in hope,
and to bear fruit in love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

S kneel

Our Prayers to God

Priest Let us pray to the God who gives us all that we need,
and calls us to share his gifts with generous hearts.

Lord, in your mercy

All **hear our prayer.**

We pray for your Church throughout the world.
May it be a place where all are welcomed,
where faith can grow,
and where the gifts we receive are shared generously.

We pray especially for AJ and her family today:
may she grow in faith, hope and love,
surrounded by the care and prayers of your people.
Lord, in your mercy

All **hear our prayer.**

We give thanks for the harvest
and for all who work to bring food to our tables.
In this difficult year, bless farmers and growers,
and all whose work has been affected by the weather.
Remembering those who do not have enough to eat,
teach us to share generously the abundance we have received.
Lord, in your mercy

All **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who are sick,
for those who have suffered injury,
and in particular for those who are acutely ill ...,
and those known to us who need our prayers.
Bring them healing and strength,
and surround them with your love and care.
Lord, in your mercy

All **hear our prayer.**

We remember those who have died,
especially those who have died recently ...,
and those whose anniversaries fall at this time ...
May they rest in peace
and rise in the glory of Christ;
and may those who mourn know the comfort of your presence.
Lord, in your mercy

All **hear our prayer.**

Priest Bountiful God,
you give us the fruits of the earth
and the promise of eternal life.
Make us thankful for your gifts,
generous towards others,
and fruitful in lives of love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

[Uniformed Organisations]

S [All sit]

Hymn

S Stand

S The choir returns to their stalls

S Harvest produce may be brought forward and placed around
the altar

All **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.**

**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.**

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.

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 1926-2024

Music Mannheim

S The children are invited to gather around the altar

Prayer over the Bread and Wine

Blessed are you, Lord God of abundance:
through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of abundance:
through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Eucharistic Prayer

All The Lord be with you
 and also with you.

All Lift up your hearts.
 We lift them to the Lord.

All Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
 It is right to give thanks and praise.

Children Why is it right to give thanks and praise?

Adults **Listen, and we will hear.**

Lord of all life, you created the universe,
where all living things reflect your glory.
You give us this great and beautiful earth,
to discover and to cherish.
You give us sun and moon and star-lit sky,
everything that gives us light,
light for our eyes, our hearts, our minds.
You have showered us with blessings
and filled us with your gifts.
By your Holy Spirit embed within us generous hearts
that we may give ourselves in love.

All sing **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

We thank you, loving Father,
because, when we turned away, you sent Jesus, your Son.
He gave his life for us on the cross
and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine
may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

Children Why do we share this bread and wine?
Adults **Listen, and we will hear.**

On the night before he died,
when darkness had fallen, Jesus took bread.
He gave thanks, broke it,
and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine,
gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many,
for the forgiveness of sins.'

So Father, with this bread and this cup
we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.
As you feed us with these gifts,
send your Holy Spirit,
and change us more and more
to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Children How do we follow Jesus Christ?
Adults **Listen, and we will hear.**

Help us, Father, to love one another,
as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended,
and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.
And now with Mary and Matthew and all your saints
we give you glory, through Jesus Christ,
in the strength of the Spirit,
today and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Sign of Peace

The harvest reminds us that we depend upon one another.
In Christ, God gathers us into one family
and calls us to share his gifts generously.

All The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of Christ's peace.

S Kneel

The Lord's Prayer

God gives us what we need and calls us to trust him rather than
live by fear. So, remembering the bread we have received
and those who still hunger, let us pray with confidence in the
words Jesus taught us:

All **Our Father, who art in heaven
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Creator of all, we have gathered many grains
and made them into this one bread.

All **We look for your Church to be gathered
from the ends of the earth into the kingdom.**

Invitation to Communion

All O taste and see that the Lord is gracious;
blessed are they who trust in him.

The clergy receive Holy Communion

Giving of Communion

God gives us bread for our hunger and Christ gives himself
for the life of the world. As we come to this table,
may we receive his life with thankful hearts
and go from here to share generously the gifts we have received.

S *Baptised persons who are communicant members of other
Churches are warmly invited to receive Holy Communion.*

*Alternatively, if you wish to receive a blessing, please bring
this booklet with you as a sign.*

Spiritual Communion - *for those at home*

Act of Reception

All In union, blessed Jesus,
with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church
where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day,

(and remembering particularly my own parish ...)

I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving,
for creation and all the blessings of this life,
for the redemption won for us by your life, death,
and resurrection,
for the means of grace and the hope of glory.

(and particularly for the blessings given me ...)

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament,
and, since I cannot at this time receive communion,
I pray you to come into my heart.
I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart,
my soul, and my mind.
Let nothing separate me from you;
let me serve you in this life until, by your grace,
I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace.
Amen.

Lamb of God is sung by the choir

Motet

Choir Thou visitest the earth, and blessest it.
Thou crownest the year with thy goodness.

Psalm 65: vv 9, 12
Music Maurice Greene 1696-1755

S All sit for a time of personal reflection and thanksgiving

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray:

S stand

In our waking and sleeping Father, protect us.
In our working and resting Jesus, encourage us.
In our coming and going Spirit, direct us.
In our daily living and lifelong pilgrimage
God the Trinity guard, guide and watch over us,
now and always.

All **Amen.**

Hymn

S The flags are returned to their bearers

All **PRAISE, O praise, our God and King;
Hymns of adoration sing:
For his mercies still endure
Ever faithful, ever sure.**

**Praise him that he made the sun
Day by day his course to run:**

And the silver moon by night,
Shining with her gentle light:

Praise him that he gave the rain
To mature the swelling grain:

And hath bid the fruitful field
Crops of precious increase yield:

Praise him for our harvest-store;
He hath filled the garner-floor:

And for richer food than this,
Pledge of everlasting bliss:

Glory to our bounteous King;
Glory let creation sing:
*Glory to the Father, Son,
and blest Spirit, Three in One.*

Words Henry Williams Baker 1821-1877

Music Monkland

Notices for the Community

§ Sit

¶ Going out to serve God

§ Stand

All The Lord be with you
and also with you.

God's Blessing

May God our creator,
who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds of the air,
bestow on you his care
and increase the harvest of your righteousness;

and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son †, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Music

A Song of Thanksgiving

Arthur Blurton Plant 1853-1914

- S Please remain standing until the procession has departed*
- S Those leaving immediately are asked to be aware of those who wish to listen to the organ voluntary*
- S If you are a newcomer to the parish, please introduce yourself to the clergy or speak to a member of our Welcome Team.*

Our thanksgiving for the Harvest continues
this afternoon at 4.00 pm

Harvest Songs of Praise

Our next All-Age Service
Sunday 1 November at 10.15 am

All Saints' Day

Our thanks are due to Anonymous Donor 5
who has generously financed
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