



St John the Baptist, Catford & Downham Team Ministry

Harvest Festival

5th October 2025

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Hymns:

- ♫ Processional- 534
- ♫ Gradual- 101
- ♫ Offertory- 9
- ♫ Communion- 67
- Thou visitest the Earth:
Maurice Green
- ♫ Recessional- 188
- ♫ Voluntary- Nun danket: Sigfrid
Karg-Elert

Collect

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.**

1st reading: Deuteronomy 26.1-11

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses spoke to the people, saying:

¹ When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it,

² you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name.

³ You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.'

⁴ When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God,

⁵ you shall make this response before the LORD your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous.

⁶ When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us,

⁷ we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression.

⁸ The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders;

⁹ and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey.

¹⁰ So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.' You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God.

¹¹ Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

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

Psalm: 100

Refrain:

O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands:
**serve the Lord with gladness,
and come before his presence
with a song.**

¹ O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

² Be ye sure that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. **R**

³ O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

⁴ For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth from generation to generation. **R**

2nd reading: Philippians 4.4-9

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.

⁵ Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near.

⁶ Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

⁹ Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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Gospel Reading: John 6.25-35

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John.
Glory to you O, Lord.

²⁵ When they found Jesus on the other side of the sea, the crowd 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 Jesus, '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 Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Notices

Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Conference: Saturday 8 November from 10.00am to 4.00pm at St John's, Waterloo.

St John's WhatsApp prayer group- speak to Anne-Marie or Shea to join.

Volunteers appreciated to help once a month with Children's Church, Youth Church & Café Church. Speak to Cynthia or Shea for details.

Prayers

For Archbishop designate Sarah.

For healing and protection for: Eric, Carolyn Lindo, Joshua, Annie, Dwayne, Youngson Kuditas, Beverley, Glyn, Drew Spikes, Ruth Bennett, Bilki, Marcel, Leila, Theresa, Valerie Stevenson, Julie Rochefort.

For those departed this life including Fr David Frayne, Daphne Butters, Joan Rochefort, and those with an anniversary of a death at this time.

Church Diary

Prayer Chapel open:
Weekdays: 7.30am-5.30pm
Weekends: 9.30am-5.30pm

Harvest Festival (5th)
10.30am Sung Mass with Children's Church and Youth Church.
3pm Pet service.

Monday 6th
William Tyndale, martyr, 1536
7.30am Morning Prayer (MP)
5pm Evensong (ES)

Tuesday 7th
7.30am MP. 8.30am Said Mass.
5pm ES.

Wednesday 8th
7.30am MP. 10am Said Mass,
followed by Bible study. 5pm ES.

Thursday 9th
Denys & companions, martyrs, c250
7.30am MP.
11am School Harvest Festival
5pm ES.

Friday 10th Paulinus, missionary, 644
7.30am MP.

Saturday 11th
Ethelburga, religious, 675
4pm Café Church

17th Sunday after Trinity (12th)
10.30am Sung Mass with Children's Church and Youth Church.
12.30 Baptism

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