



5<sup>th</sup> October 2025

St James the Great ▪ Birstall  
Our Lady and St Nicholas ▪ Wanlip

Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>
<u>Birstall:</u> Luke 12:13-21 <u>Wanlip:</u> Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10	2 Chronicles 2:1-16 Mark 13:1-13 Psalm 44
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>
2 Chronicles 3 Mark 12:35-end Psalm 119:57-80	2 Chronicles 5 Mark 13:1-13 Psalm 119:57-80 <div>Holy Communion: Jonah 4 Luke 11:1-4</div>
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>
2 Chronicles 6:1-21 <u>Holy</u> <u>Communion:</u> Mark 13:14-23      Malachi 3:13 - 4a Psalm 57      Luke 11:5-13	2 Chronicles 6:22-end Mark 13:24-31 Psalm 51
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup>	This week we are grateful for...
2 Chronicles 7 Mark 13:32-end Psalm 68	Being able to buy food easily

### The Collect for Harvest:

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**

### The Post Communion Prayer for Harvest:

Lord of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

# Notices for this Week

## All Together Services

We are going to stop doing All Together Services, at least for now. This is because we rarely have children at this service. Instead, we are going to try some different styles of worship (a bit like 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Special at Wanlip) for a few months, to see if people find something else helpful. Please do let us have feedback on these - what you liked / what you didn't like / and any ideas for future services. We will create a form for people to fill in. Thank you. *Manda*

## Monday Group 13<sup>th</sup> October

We meet in the Community Area at 2:30pm. Do you enjoy playing bingo? Come and join us as we eagerly wait for the numbers to be called by the 'Great' Gregorio. *Joan Folland*

## John Aldis' funeral

John's funeral will be on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 2pm at St John's Church, Lock's Heath Hampshire.

## Volunteers required for Night-time Church visits during Remembrance week

As we must all remember, St James Church has been broken into every November, during Remembrance week, for the last two years. We are taking a few measures to deter another break-in. One of them is to have people visit church about 10pm every night during Remembrance Week, and spend a hour or two on the premises. Names will be published on a rota. We ask that you please support this crime-prevention effort if you are able to. Kindly let any priest or churchwarden know if you wish to volunteer. *Ladi*

## Mothers Union

This month our meeting is on Mon 20<sup>th</sup> October at 10am in St James. Our Speaker is Carol Spooner telling us about her time as a Care Home Manager.

We are holding a fund raising Coffee morning in the Methodist Coffee Shop, on Sat 25<sup>th</sup> October 10 - 12noon, please join us. Visitors to our meetings are welcome.

A prayer for October "As we focus on prison ministry this month, we give thanks for the M U members who support prisoners, their families & prison staff. Amen" *Rita Richards*

## Save the Children lunch

The next lunch is on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November at the White Horse. Details are on the poster at the back of the church or from me. *Josephine*

## Church discussion - 12<sup>th</sup> October

We are having a church wide discussion concerning the church's decision of whether we will adopt the Prayers for Love and Faith (PLF) or not, following our talks on the subject earlier this year. This will take place on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October, following the Sunday service at St James the Great. (11:15am) *Rachael*

## The Tearfund Big Night Quiz - Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November

Date for your Diary: The Tearfund Big Night Quiz on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November ,7.00pm at the Scout HQ on Birstall Road. Tearfund help equip people to lift themselves out of poverty for good this is a project Amanda likes to support. Last year we raised over £100 with only 4 teams attending this is a fun night, a quiz with multiple guess answers so let's see if we can do better this year. Look out for the Posters giving full details. *Vic Dolby*

## St Theresa's Forthcoming Event

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October - Fashion Show - Doors open at 6:30pm for 7pm Start. Tickets £5 includes a glass or wine. plus raffle, raising funds for Rainbows Hospice. Tickets available from Daphne Stevenson at St. Theresa's or Debbie Shephard.

## The Sound of Power and Pride' concert on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October

Starts at 6pm at HTL Church Leicester. This will be a chance for the whole family to enjoy a plethora of Black diaspora musical acts. We ask that you invite all those in your church communities, remembering that Black History Month is not just for Black people but a chance for all people to share in the heritage and culture of people from African and Caribbean descent – who have contributed so much to all of our lives.