

## Church services

If attending a service at Thorner, please email Andy for a Word copy of the order of service that you will have to print out at home and bring with you.

## All churches

Face coverings must be worn at all services.

Please do not come to a service if you have any Covid-19 symptoms.

## Barwick

services are at 11am.

A maximum of 30 individuals/couples will be allowed in the congregation.

All services will be projected onto the screen.

## Scholes

services are at 9.30am.

A maximum of 35 individuals/couples will be allowed in the congregation.

All services will be projected onto the screens.

## Thorner

services are at 9.15am.

A maximum of 30 individuals/couples will be allowed in the congregation.

## An updated list of foods needed by St George's Crypt

- Coffee (e.g. Nescafe instant)
- Tinned meats: corned beef, meatballs, hot dogs, tuna
- Baked beans and spaghetti in sauce
- Tinned vegetables; peas, carrots, potatoes, sweetcorn
- Pasta sauces, gravy granules,
- Tinned fruit, cream, custard

Carole has a box on her driveway for any extra donations.

Everything will be taken to the Crypt on **Monday**.



**SUNDAY 4th OCTOBER 2020**

**TRINITY 17**

Animal welfare Sunday

Grandparents' Day

**HARVEST SUNDAY**



## Collect for Trinity 17

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. Amen.

## The readings this week are:-

2 Corinthians 9:6 - end and Luke 12:16 - 30

## Letter from Andy

Harvest is one of those times of the year that have both a 'community' and a 'religious' aspect to it, though in truth the two intermingle in so many ways they become almost indistinguishable.

As a community surrounded by fields and farms it is a celebration of the importance of farming to our lives, an aspect of modern life often hidden in the background behind cellophane wrapped chicken and broccoli. Harvest reminds us of where that chicken and broccoli come from, and it's not 'Tesco' as one inner city child answered to that question.

The more 'religious' aspect of harvest reminds us that Christ's call is for Christians to be involved in the growth of spirituality and that in sharing the Gospel we are responding to Jesus' statement that 'The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few'.

If we over spiritualise the meaning of Harvest it becomes about nothing more than spreading the message, and if we lose the spiritual aspect it becomes a Primary School lesson on where our food comes from.

When the two are combined it becomes a multi-faceted celebration of God's gifts in nature and ourselves as well as challenging us to share God's message of love through word and generosity. That generosity pushes us to donate food to particular charities, and this harvest we are collecting for St George's Crypt, which celebrates its 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary on 14<sup>th</sup> October.

The work of the Crypt epitomizes the synergy of message through word and action, sharing the message of Good News with the clients, while at the same time caring for their needs.

In the midst of this pandemic, where it is easy to become introverted and think only of our own isolation and concerns, it is a useful corrective to remind ourselves of the generosity of God and reflect that generosity in our own lives.

Finally, this Sunday will be the last pre-recorded Youtube Service for a while (though they won't completely disappear from your screens as Remembrance will be pre-recorded and some Christmas services will also be done this way). From the 11<sup>th</sup> October Bob will be putting up one of the services from the churches of the benefice onto livestream. This can be accessed in the usual way through the benefice Youtube channel here: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2ID3IKIfaJisVxxttTBJJg>

Blessings. Andy

### Telephone services

There is a dial-in prayer service (c.30mins) at 6pm on Sundays.

**Note change of time from 4<sup>th</sup> October.**

The service allows you to speak and listen, to be anonymous or to take part.

To Join these calls, dial 0330 336 0036 and enter the PIN 716 416

Calls can be made from either a landline or mobile  
and are at a local rate from your service provider.

Call Alan Stanley on 0113 281 2769 if you need help.

## CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

The current roll is now being updated in preparation for the Annual Church Meeting scheduled for Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2020.

**Those who are on the present roll will automatically be retained on the new one.**

New applications must be received by Peter Snowdon not later than **Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2020.**

Application forms will be available in the church but because of the very limited time the building is open at present, it may be better to get one by phoning (0113) 2644593. If you are in any doubt whether you are on the existing roll, you can check by phone also.

Peter Snowdon  
Electoral Roll officer



Carole and Leslye also have forms  
and can check if you are already on the list.

Please call

Carole on 0113 281 2149 or

Leslye on 0113 281 2488

Or see us in church on Sunday

Completed forms can be returned to us.  
Please note, we have to take the forms to Peter, so  
please return them as soon as possible.