This autumn, as the leaves change colour, we remember all those people who are facing change. We remember those getting used to being away from home at college and university, and adjusting to new lives in new places. We remember those who prefer the light and warmth of the summer, and fear the cold and darkness of this season. We remember those who are searching displaced, lost, or feeling that they have no hope and no purpose. We remember all those for whom this is a difficult time, Where does our help come from? Our help comes from the Lord.

This autumn, as the guns and sirens of the Middle East are quieter, we remember those caught up in that conflict. We remember those in Gaza who have returned to their homes to find nothing but wreckage and destruction. We remember those who mourn the death of loved ones, and those who have been subject to imprisonment and cruel handling. We remember all the pain and anguish that thousands of people have and will continue to feel. We remember this tentative ceasefire, and we seek your peace for the future. Where does our help come from? **Our help comes from the Lord.** 

This autumn, as we gather as the people of God, we remember all those that help us to learn and to worship. We remember those who give their time to serve you in children's and youth work, sharing the gospel with the young. We remember our church leaders, ministers, and key volunteers who seek to make the joy of faith alive and real for our congregations. We remember all of the people who quietly serve as Martha served your son Jesus, doing practical things and helping others feel welcomed and valued. We remember that you have given us your Word to learn, to live by, and to cherish. We remember all those who serve us, and seek your strength for them in all they do. Where does our help come from? **Our help comes from the Lord.** 

This autumn, as parliament has just returned after their long break, we remember all those in power and opposition. We remember those who aim to make the lives of others better. We remember those who make big and important decisions, and whose words can affect the lives of all people in our country. We remember those who seek fame and influence for the wrong reasons, and ask that they may be filled with wisdom and caution.

Where does our help come from? **Our help comes from the Lord.**This autumn, as another season passes, we remember all those facing sadness, sickness, and fear. We remember those who have recently lost family or friends who were close to them, and feel that mourning and emptiness inside. We remember those who are struggling with their health, who are patiently waiting for treatment, or who are facing an uncertain future. We remember those who have heard life-changing news, and are coming to terms with what it means. We remember all in need, and ask for your hope and healing to fill them as we pray.

Where does our help come from? Our help comes from the Lord.

# **Weekly Notices**

Rector: Rev. Canon Jonathan Gordon 01442 871547
Priest: Rev. Michael Eggleton 01442 823273
Readers: Peggy Sear and David White
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Services for October 19th Harvest Festival 8am Holy Communion BCP

**10am** Harvest Festival Hymns: 101, 524, 137, 427

### Readings

Deuteronomy 26: 1-11 Philippians 4: 4-9 John 6: 25-35

6pm Evening Prayer Psalm 149 Nehemiah 8; 9-end John 16: 1-11 Services for October 26th Last Sunday after Trinity 8am Holy Communion BCP

**10 00am** Parish Eucharist Hymns: 21, 53, 541, 13

Readings: Joel 2; 23-end 2 Timothy4; 6-8, 16-18 Luke 18: 9-14

**6pm** Evening Prayer Psalm 119: 1-16 Ecclesiastes 11,12 2 Timothy 2: 1-7

# Prayer for today

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

# Prayer for Peace

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

#### Harvest lunch

We are holding our Harvest Lunch again on Sunday 19th. October from 12 midday to 2pm in the church room. This is a bring and share Ploughmans lunch and a list is on the piano if you would like to be with us

## St. Barts Book Swap and Library

IS OPEN for swapping books. Please feel free to borrow books from the library or bring books in for others to share.

### **Weekly Updates to the Notices**

The Notices are printed out every Friday. If there is anything that you would like added to these notices, please get in touch either by email; revmike1@outlook.com or phone 07585600408

### **Church Room bookings**

If you would like to book the church room, please get in touch 07585600408

# Need a plumber?

Give Mel Price a ring 07789324922

#### **Need a Window Cleaner?**

Give Scott a ring on 07875534780

# Coming up in the church

### 2nd November 6pm All Souls Evensong service

A candlelit service where names of our loved ones who have died are read out and a candle is lit that shines in the darkness

#### Nov 28th 7.30 to 9.30

Jazz Evening Tickets on the door £12 Licensed bar In aid of medical Dogs and The Hospice of St. Francis

## December 14th. 6pm

Service of lessons and carols by candlelight

#### **WIGGINTON CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL**



14 trees decorated by community groups will be on display in St. Bartholomew's Church the first two weekends of December 2025.



**Christmas Hamper Raffle** 



Refreshments

Raising funds for Age UK, Rennie Grove Hospice at Home and St. Bart's Church new porch.

For more information and to become involved do contact Jackie@ffarrow.com 07905282341