



INGRAVE CHURCHES

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WELCOME TO HARVEST SUNDAY

"God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7

Giving thanks for God's generous provision and sharing His blessings with others

2 Corinthians 9:6-15 • Luke 12:16-30

This Week

Today

Bible Breakfast, 8:30am, St Nicholas'
Harvest Festival from 2pm at
St Nicholas'

Tuesday

9am, Collective Worship, IJS
8pm, Alpha, St Stephen's
8pm, St Nicholas' PCC (on Zoom)

Wednesday

10am, Holy Communion, St Nicholas'

Thursday

11am, Holy Communion, St Stephen's
7:30pm, Deanery Synod. St Nicholas'

Coming Up

15th OCT

KS1 School Harvest - IJS, 9am

KS2 School Harvest - St Nicholas',
2:15pm

8th NOV

Remembrance Sunday - 10:30am at
both churches

11th NOV

Armistice Day Remembrance, 11am

15th NOV

St Stephen's 70th Anniversary Service

25th NOV

PCC, 8pm, St Stephen's



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2 Corinthians 9.6-15

6 The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸And 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.

⁹As it is written,

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

¹⁰He 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. ¹¹You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; ¹²for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. ¹³Through 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, ¹⁴while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. ¹⁵Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Luke 12.16-30

¹⁶Then he told them a parable: ‘The land of a rich man produced abundantly. ¹⁷And he thought to himself, “What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?” ¹⁸Then 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. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul,

you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.” ²⁰But 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?” ²¹So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.’

Do Not Worry

²²He 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. ²³For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. ²⁴Consider 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! ²⁵And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁶If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? ²⁷Consider 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. ²⁸But 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! ²⁹And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. ³⁰For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them.

The Collect for Harvest

O Lord, good Father, who in your providence have entrusted the earth to the human race, grant, we pray, that with the fruits harvested from it, we may be able to sustain life and, with your help, always use them for the good of all. Through Christ our Lord.

Harvest Post Communion Prayer

Father in heaven, whose Church on earth is a sign of your heavenly peace, an image of the new and eternal Jerusalem: grant to us in the days of our pilgrimage that, fed with the living bread of heaven, we may be the temple of your presence, the place of your glory on earth, and a sign of your peace in the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord.