

# Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2020 – 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity – Proper 22 - HARVEST

WELCOME TO THE UNITED BENEFICE OF ST NICHOLAS GODSTONE,  
ST STEPHEN SOUTH GODSTONE AND ST JOHN BLINDLEY HEATH



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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

## NOTICES

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2020 – HARVEST Services at St John's Church, Blindley Heath AND at St Stephen's Church, South Godstone - 10.30 am

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2020 – Funeral for Gladys Wilson at Bluebell Cemetery 11.15 am

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2020 – THE BENEFICE AGM. Attendance will either be in person at St Stephen's Church, or via Zoom. If you would like a Zoom link then please email Peter [rector@godstonebenefice.org.uk](mailto:rector@godstonebenefice.org.uk) 8 pm.

As you will know we received detailed guidance that allow us to hold a public service! We now have a 10.30 am service each Sunday, which are rotated round our three churches.

(We have marked out the seats to allow households to sit 2 meters from those of other households.)

There will be NO singing and face masks HAVE TO BE WORN. The live stream service on Facebook WILL continue, at 9.30 am.

**FOODBANK COLLECTIONS** - The Redhill Foodbank has seen a massive increase in need. Pre-covid it was helping about 35 individuals or families a week. It is currently helping closer to 100. Low income families and older people have been hit particularly hard.

We have collections bins at **St Nicholas Church AND at St Stephen Church** and one outside **The Rectory (17 Ivy Mill Lane)**. Peter will then ensure the donations get to Matthew's, Redhill.

An up to date list of foodstuffs currently in short supply can be found here:  
<https://www.redhillfoodbank.org.uk/shopping-list>

Alternatively, if you would like to make a **cash donation**, there is a link on their website. Recently the Foodbank did a £1,500 shop so they could carry on filling bags.

Thank you.

## PRAYER LIST

**St Nicholas** – Daphne Hughes, David Collins, Archie Butler, Arthur Bass, Louisa West, Tom Bull, Nicole Cleverly

**St John's** - Hugh Hunter, Janie Reed, Basil McFarland, Nicky Tredennick, Daphne Faulkner.

The Benefice link with Rutendo in Zimbabwe.

PLEASE HOLD IN YOUR PRAYER, THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:-

BARRY APPS,  
GLADYS WILSON

FRANK LININGTON,

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All enquiries concerning Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, Home Visits and Home Communion to:  
Revd Peter O'Connell (contact details above)  
Items for this news sheet to Philippa March [benefice@godstone.net](mailto:benefice@godstone.net)  
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St Nicholas Church, Godstone

## Sunday 4th October 2020, Harvest

Introit: Come ye thankful people come

*Henry Alford*

1. Come, ye thankful people, come,  
raise the song of harvest-home!  
All is safely gathered in, ere the winter  
storms begin;  
God, our maker, doth provide for our  
wants to be supplied;  
Come to God's own temple come;  
Raise the song of harvest-home!
2. We ourselves are God's own field,  
fruit unto his praise to yield;  
Wheat and tares together sown, unto  
joy or sorrow grown;  
First the blade and then the ear, then  
the full corn shall appear:  
Grant, O harvest Lord, that we  
wholesome grain and pure may be.

3. Then, thou Church triumphant,  
come, raise the song of harvest-  
home;  
All be safely gathered in, free from  
sorrow, free from sin,  
There for ever purified in God's garner  
to abide:  
Come, ten thousand angels, come,  
raise the glorious harvest-home!

3. Then will your blessing reach every  
people; each one confessing your  
gracious hand:  
Where you are reigning no one will  
hunger, your love sustaining fruit for  
the land.

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Post Communion: We plough the fields and  
scatter *Matthias Claudius*

1. We plough the fields and scatter the  
good seed on the land,  
But it is fed and watered by God's  
almighty hand:  
He sends the snow in winter, the  
warmth to swell the grain,  
The breezes and the sunshine, and soft,  
refreshing rain.

REFRAIN: All good gifts around us are  
sent from heaven above;  
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,  
for all his love.

2. He only is the maker of all things  
near and far;  
He paints the wayside flower, he  
lights the evening star;  
He fills the earth with beauty, by him  
the birds are fed;  
Much more to us, his children, he  
gives our daily bread  
REFRAIN:

3. We thank thee then, O Father, for all  
things bright and good:  
The seed-time and the harvest, our  
life, our health, our food.  
Accept the gifts we offer for all thy  
love imparts,  
And, what thou most desirest, our  
humble, thankful hearts.  
REFRAIN:

Gradual: Praise and thanksgiving

*Albert F. Bayly*

1. Praise and thanksgiving, Father, we  
offer, for all things living you have  
made good;  
Harvest of sown fields, fruits of the  
orchard, hay from the mown fields,  
blossom and wood.
2. Father, providing food for your  
children, your wisdom guiding  
teaches us share  
One with another, so that, rejoicing,  
sister and brother may know your  
care.

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