



St Martin's Church, Welton

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HARVEST FESTIVAL

*Come, ye thankful people, come,
 raise the song of harvest home;
 all is safely gathered in,
 God our Maker doth provide*



WELCOME to St Martin's Church to celebrate harvest

11am Service of Communion

This morning Revd Canon Sarah Brown leads our worship.

If you don't normally take communion but would like God's blessing,
 please come up to the altar rail holding your service booklet.
 Please stay for tea or coffee after the service — we would love to chat with you.

MORNING SERVICES. All commence at 11.00am

	01 October Harvest Festival	08 October	15 October	22 October
Challis	Val Hamblin	Gill Beardmore	Morning Service	Val Hamblin
Sidesperson	Margaret Jones	Rachel Horder	Joan Roberts	Roslyn Loades
Reader	Gillian Weigel	David Horder	Keith Beardmore Joan Roberts	Jan Wall
Prayers	Vicar	Keith Beardmore	Gill Beardmore	Vicar

AFTERNOON SERVICES. All commence at 4.00pm

Today	08 October	15 October	22 October
Family Communion	Evensong BCP	Family Communion	Sunday Teatime
<i>A slightly shorter communion service with lively message and delivery for all ages.</i>	<i>For those who enjoy the traditional language and peace of the Book of Common Prayer.</i>	<i>A slightly shorter communion service with lively message and delivery for all ages.</i>	<i>A meeting of Christians of all ages around the tea table. Tea and cake accompany informal discussion, games and storytelling to link faith with everyday life. Worship a different way.</i>

**Revd. Sarah invites you to meet her personally from 3.30pm, before the
 afternoon service each Sunday.**

Collect

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.**

First Reading **Habbakkuk 3. 17-19**

Though the fig tree does not bud and there are no grapes on the vines, though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no food, though there are no sheep in the pen and no cattle in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the Lord. I will be joyful in God my Saviour.

Gospel Reading **Matthew 13. 1-9, 18-23**

That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!'

'Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

If you would like to bring a Harvest offering to this service, please bring an item for the Daventry Foodbank.



These are the items they are currently in need of:-
Cooked meats: Tinned ham, chicken, chopped pork hot dogs.
Tinned pies: stewed steak, minced beef, chicken.
Tinned potatoes: small, medium, large or mash.
Semi skimmed long life milk. Coffee, small or medium.
Microwave rice. Tinned fruit, any sort. Evaporated milk. Jam, any sort.
Puddings: custard ready-made or powder. Rice puddings tins or dry.

Would you describe yourself as a 'holy' person?

Starting on the 12th October for 5 weeks, John Stevenson will lead a course entitled 'From Sinner to Saint' at 7pm at 5 Roman Way, Ashby Fields, Daventry.

Please add your name to the list at the back of the church if you'd like to attend.

Welton Pantomime - auditions will take place at 7.30pm on Tuesday 03 October in the Village Hall. (Oh yes, they will!)

If you have any news or forthcoming events: email ros@rosirius.co.uk. Please let me know if you would like your name adding to the email list to receive these pew leaflets weekly. Thank you. Roslyn.