**God’s Gang parents/carers** please notify the leaders when your child goes out to God’s Gang this morning if she/he has any allergies.

**Thanks to everyone who helped at last Saturday’s table top sale – we raised £665 for the our designated church charities.**

**Friday 6th October 1.15pm** Tots Group

**Saturday 7th October 12noon** Holy Matrimony

**Harvest flowers** – if you would like to help with the windowsill flower arrangements for Harvest, please come to the Church Hall at 10 am on Saturday 7th October. Please bring secateurs if you can.

**Harvest Supper Saturday 7th October 7.00pm**

You have the choice of shepherds’ pie, chilli or a veggie option followed by a sweet. Bring your own drinks and glasses. There will be entertainment provided.

Tickets are £10 for adults and £5 for children.

Maxine will be asking you if you are coming and will note your option for food and also collect your money.

**Sunday 8th October Harvest Festival**

We will be collecting gifts for The Hub and the Gravesend Foodbank. We will be collecting on Saturday morning between 9 and 11, as well as the Sunday service. Details in the October newsletter.

**Sunday 8th October**

4pm Deanery Confirmation at Greenhithe

Details of this year’s deanery *Hearing God’s word* course are available at the back of church.

**Blythswood shoe box appeal** starts this week with leaflets and some boxes being available at the back of the church. We need your support and average size shoeboxes if we are to reach 100 boxes (94 last time). Please help . Veronica.

**Christmas Bazaar 11th November** There are 2 boxes at the back of church. Please bring your donations for all the usual stalls as soon as you can:

bottles, Candles, books, white elephant, jewellery, toys, puzzles, games, toiletries, gifts, and cakes and homemade produce on the day.

Thank you, Sheila

If you are interested in school admissions please speak to the welcomers who will register your attendance.

We cannot sign forms unless we have a record of your attendance.

A weekly **children’s sheet** is also available at the door. Please take one if you have someone you would like to pass it on to.

Remember in addition to the collection plate you can give to the Church using the card reader or online- you will find our giving page using this QR code.

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**1st October 2023**

*Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity*

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist with God’s Gang

(followed by refreshments)

6pm Evensong for Michaelmas

**THIS MORNING’S HYMNS**

264 Awake my soul

163 Father Lord of all creation

408 Lord enthroned

931 Jesus remember me

733 When God almighty came to earth

649 The king of love

195 From heaven you came

**Wednesday 4th October** St Francis

10am Holy Communion

5pm Evening Prayer

**Next Sunday 8th October**

*Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity* **HARVEST**

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist

(followed by refreshments)

12noon & 1pm Holy Baptism

**MORNING PRAYER** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday in church and on ZOOM at 8.30am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82117921556>

**Please pray for**

The people of Nagorno-Karabakh,Morocco and Libya

Those affected by war, extreme weather or natural disasters

Marc and Julia who will be married next Saturday

The work of our local hospitals and hospices

Those preparing for confirmation

Our Preschool and Tots Group

Please remember those who have died recently, particularly Sam Brown and those who mourn.