

# St Clement's Church, King Square Harvest Festival 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023



## Collect Prayer

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. Amen.

## First Reading (2 Corinthians 9:6-9)

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And 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. As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever.'

## Gospel (Luke 12:16-30)

Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then 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. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.'" But

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?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.' He 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. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider 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! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider 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. But 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! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them.

## Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all, as with joy we have offered  
thanksgiving for your love in creation,  
move our hearts to be generous and wise  
stewards of the good things we enjoy;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## In our Prayers:

Hugh, Josh, Diane Rankin, Lloyd Whitney, Diane, Trevor, Vera, Chris Hall, Tommy Lacken, Christine & Tony, Sue, Margie Ives, Kathy, Maria Amparo Garcia, Maria, Nicky Young, Lenny Shaw, Roger Shaw, Matthew and Lucy and family, Fr Peter Rabin, Adele Skinner, Nigel Fletcher, Pat, Martin Fletcher, Mary-Rose Sinn, Vanessa, Catherine Weir

## Recently departed:

Bp Karowei Dorgu, Peter McDermott, Eileen Rowsell, Bishop Keith Riglin, Brian Hammond

### Anniversaries of Death:

Ada Ellen Seager, John Porterhouse, Muriel Kempson, Frederick Joseph Hyams, Harold Clarke, Marion Mary, Ann Shall, Maureen Fordham

### In the Parish:

We pray for local nurseries and child care providers, especially Moreland Children's Centre, King Square Nursery, Clerkenwell Newpark Montessori Nursery and Kido Nursery.

### In the wider world:

We pray for the people Armenia and Azerbaijan, especially those fleeing from Nagorno Karabakh.

### Notices

This week in church...

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>            10am-2pm Open Church  
                                 11am Tea and Talk  
(with plenty of tea, coffee, juice, biscuits and cake)  
                                 12.30pm Mass  
                                 1pm Singing practice

Friday 6<sup>th</sup>            5pm Pet Blessing Service for  
                                 St Francistide

Next Sunday    Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity  
                                 10.30am Sung Mass

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