

**DIARY**

**Today SUNDAY 6 October**

**08:00** Holy Communion

**10:00** All Age Harvest Communion  
with a collection of harvest  
goods for the food bank.

**MONDAY 7 October**

**TUESDAY 8 October**

**10:30** Forget-me-Not Cafe

**WEDNESDAY 9 October**

**09:30** Morning Prayer

**20:00** Home Group at 5 Stone  
Court

**THURSDAY 10 October**

**20:00** Rhythm of Life Group

**FRIDAY 11 October**

**SATURDAY 12 October**

**10:00** Coffee at CoGS

**SUNDAY 13 October**

**08:00** Holy Communion

**10:00** Holy Communion, with  
Rachel van Hoven from  
Porchlight speaking about  
their work with the  
homeless

**Future Dates**

**Saturday 23rd November**

**Quiet Day**—details to follow

**Notices**

*THE Book Club*

*For October we are reading*

*Judges*

Saturday 16th November

Gig Night—dinner and dancing  
with Sonny and the Harp

Tickets selling fast—get yours NOW!

*Interested in doing pastoral visiting?*

*Want to learn some listening skills?*

*Understand bereavement?*

*We will be running the 'Caring  
Concern' course for those wanting an  
introduction in this area of ministry.*

*If interested then talk to Elaine or  
Chris T.*

Thinking of the next step in your faith  
journey? Want to consider  
confirmation? Have a chat to Chris T  
about it.

**All Souls Service**

*SUNDAY 3rd November —a service in  
remembrance of those we love but see no  
longer. Please pass names of those you  
would like remembered to Chris Turner*



Shoe Box Sunday, 3rd November  
Help Blythswood Care bring some  
Christmas joy



**THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD**



**BOROUGH GREEN**

1906—2019

**Vicar** Revd. Chris Turner 882447 vicar.cogs@gmail.com (Not available Tuesdays)

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**Harvest—6th October 2019**

Welcome to the Church of the Good Shepherd

**Today's Hymns**

**290** We plough the fields and scatter

\*\*\* Thank you Lord, for this fine day

**287** Praise and thanksgiving

**552** *Think of a world without any flowers*

**286** *Praise, O praise our God and King*

**532** All creatures of our God and  
King

**The Collect**

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, who is alive  
and reigns with you, in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit, one God, now  
and for ever. **Amen**

**Prayer after Communion**

Lord of the harvest, with joy we  
have offered thanksgiving for your  
love in creation and have shared  
in the bread and wine of the  
kingdom: by your grace plant  
within us a reverence for all that  
you give us and make us generous  
and wise stewards of the good  
things we enjoy; through Jesus  
Christ our Lord. **Amen**

NEXT SUNDAY 08:00 Holy Communion 10:00 Holy Communion



There is a loop system for the hard of hearing - please set your aid to the T setting  
PLEASE STAY FOR REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE  
PLEASE DELIVER COPIES OF THIS SHEET TO THOSE UNABLE TO BE HERE THIS MORNING



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**IN OUR PRAYERS** *Please remember those who are ill or in special need at this time:*

Judi Couldrey, Joan Charot, Pat Head,, Martin Vallance,

Charles Willsher, Victoria Sharp, Jackie Billitch, Mike Jenson, Shirley Bowman

**RIP:**

*Please advise for any changes to the prayer list*

*For changes or additions to the pew sheet please email: vicar.cogs@gmail.com*

## **FIRST READING**

### **Deuteronomy 26.1-11**

Moses spoke to the people, saying: When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, you shall make this response before the LORD your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a

mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.' You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

### **Psalm 100**

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; he himself has made us and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; give thanks to him and call upon his name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

## **SECOND READING**

### **Philippians 4.4-9**

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

## **GOSPEL READING**

### **Matthew 20.1-16**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, "You also go into the

vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'