



SAINT JOHN'S MALONE



Sunday First for Harvest

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 6th October 2024 at 10.30am

L: The land has yielded its harvest:

P: God our God has blessed us. (Psalm 67:6)

THE GREETING

L: The grace and the peace of the risen Lord be with you all.

P: And also with you.

L: Blessed be God, creator of heaven and earth.

P: He is the source of love and life for all creation.

L: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it

P: Let the heavens be glad and let the earth rejoice

L: Let us thank God today for his gracious love

and call upon him to strengthen us within in his will.

P: Let us draw near to God in praise and thanksgiving.

HYMN 25

*All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.*

Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
he made their glowing colours,
he made their tiny wings:

The purple-headed mountain,
the river running by,
the sunset, and the morning
that brighten up the sky:

The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden,
he made them every one:

He gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is God almighty,
who has made all things well.

PENITENCE

As we bow our heads, let us approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. *(Heb. 4:16)*

We confess our sin, and the sins of our society,
in the misuse of your creation.

God our Father, we are sorry
for the times when we have used your gifts carelessly,
and acted ungratefully.

Father, in your mercy:

forgive us and help us.

We enjoy the fruits of the earth,
but sometimes forget that you have given them to us.

Father, in your mercy:

forgive us and help us.

We belong to a world where many are full and satisfied,
but ignore the cry of the poor and hungry.

Father, in your mercy:

forgive us and help us.

We are thoughtless,
and do not care enough for our environment
and the world you have made.

Father, in your mercy:

forgive us and help us.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you,
+pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all
goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

THE COLLECT

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and 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 our Lord. **Amen**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD



Reading: Joel 2:21-27

²¹ Do not fear, O soil;
be glad and rejoice,

for the Lord has done great things!

²² Do not fear, you animals of the field,
for the pastures of the wilderness are green;
the tree bears its fruit,
the fig tree and vine give their full yield.

²³ O children of Zion, be glad
and rejoice in the Lord your God;
for he has given the early rain for your vindication,
he has poured down for you abundant rain,
the early and the later rain, as before.

²⁴ The threshing-floors shall be full of grain,
the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

²⁵ I will repay you for the years
that the swarming locust has eaten,
the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter,
my great army, which I sent against you.

²⁶ You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,
and praise the name of the Lord your God,
who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put
to shame.

²⁷ You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel,
and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other.
And my people shall never again
be put to shame.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 682 *based on the Canticle, Benedicite*

All created things, bless the Lord

All you heavens, bless the Lord

All you angels, bless the Lord

Sing to God and praise his name.

Sun and moon and stars of heaven
Rain and dew and winds that blow
Fire and heat and ice and snow
Sing to God and praise his name.

Bless the Lord, you nights and days
Light and darkness, praise him too;
Clouds and lightnings in the sky
Sing to God and praise his name.

Hills and mountains, bless the Lord;
Flowing rivers with the seas
Flying birds and earthly beasts
Sing to God and praise his name.

All who dwell upon the earth
Priests and servants of the Lord
Humble people, holy ones,
Sing to God and praise his name.

Bless the Father, bless the Son,
Bless the Spirit, Three in one;
Sound his glory all your days;
Give to God exulted praise.

Reading: Matthew 6:25-33

Jesus said to his disciples, 25 ‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life?^b ²⁸And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” ³²For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these

things. ³³But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

ADDRESS

THE RESPONSE to God's Word - The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Hymn 325

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.
Come, bow before him now, with reverence and fear.
In him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned.
How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place,
he comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him;
be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

PRAYERS

Loving God, we know that You want us to grow to maturity in Your hands.
And we know that You do forgive us and You will remould us before we
become set in our ways. So we thank you – and now we pray for those around
us:

For the sick and the suffering.... we pray for their healing and ask God to bless
the work of those in the medical profession

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**

For the homeless and the hungry.... that we may respond to their need and that
all may receive a just share of God's bounty

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**

For the despairing and the depressed... that they may have faith and hope

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**

For the lost and the lonely.... that they may reconnect with their families, friends
and communities

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**

For those persecuted for the faith... that they may be strong

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**

Lord hear our prayers for our friends and our neighbours – for those near
at hand and those far away. Bless them and those specific people and
situations that we now hold before you in hearts and with the words of our
lips.... we now keep silence for a time

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**

Minister

Gracious God: Grant that your people may have the same mind
that was in Christ Jesus, and guide us into harmony of relationship
through loving-kindness and the wise use of all that you have given;
for you are drawing all things into communion with you
and with each other by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathering up all our petitions to serve the needs of the world we pray as our Saviour Christ has taught us:

Our Father

Hymn 47 *during which a collection is received*

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.

All good gifts around us

Are sent from heaven above;

Then thank the Lord,

O thank the Lord,

For all his love.

He only is the maker

Of all things near and far;

He paints the wayside flower,

He lights the evening star;

The winds and waves obey him,

By him the birds are fed;

Much more to us, his children,

He gives our daily bread.

Refrain

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

Closing Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to the God of all creation.

For the colour and forms of your creation
and our place within it,

we give our thanks, good Lord:
your mercy endures for ever.

For our daily food,
and for those whose work and skill
bring your good gifts to us,

we give our thanks, good Lord:
your mercy endures for ever.

For insight and imagination,
and for the skills of research
which bring healing and fulfilment to the lives of many;

we give our thanks, good Lord:
your mercy endures for ever.

For the light and shades of the changing seasons,
for new life and growth out of barrenness and decay;

we give our thanks, good Lord:
your mercy endures for ever.

For new life and hope in our communities,
especially in your Church and amongst all called to serve you,

we give our thanks, good Lord:
your mercy endures for ever.

For all in whose lives we see
the fruit of the Spirit,
in goodness, kindness, gentleness, patience and humility,

we give our thanks, good Lord:
your mercy endures for ever.

For the life we have been given,
and for all those whom you have given us to share it,

we give our thanks, good Lord:
your mercy endures for ever.

Let us say together:

**Be with us Lord,
as we go out into the world.
May the lips that have sung your praise
always speak the truth;
may the ears which have heard your Word
listen only to what is good
and may our lives as well as our worship
be always pleasing in your sight,
for the glory of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

HARVEST BLESSING

May God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the source of all goodness and growth, pour his blessing upon all things created, and upon you his children, that you may use his gifts to his glory and the welfare of all peoples; and the blessing of God Almighty Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you, this day and for evermore. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

+++

Services this week

Wednesday 9th October

7.30pm Zoom Compline

Thursday 10th St Francis of Assisi (tr)

10.30am Eucharist (1) with intercessions for those in need

(A cup of tea/coffee is available after this service.)

Next Sunday 13th October

9.00 a.m. Eucharist

10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist



Notices

Monday 7th October Select Vestry postponed until **Thursday 17th October at 7:30pm**

Tuesday 8th October Parents & Toddlers 10-11:30am

Citations from the Revised Common Lectionary, used and adapted for use in the Church of Ireland with permission, copyrighted © 1992. Consultation on Common Texts.

*CCLI licence No. 2594164
Number NIC101984*

St John's Malone Charities Registration

HARVEST
THANKSGIVING SUNDAY
6TH OCTOBER 2024
HARVEST APPEAL
WE ARE COLLECTING
COATS, new hats scarves
& gloves AS PART OF OUR
OUTREACH - see flyer.
Please leave items at the
font in the north transept
for donating to
'STOREHOUSE'.
Thank you!



Please take this booklet home with you for the readings, notices and reference during the week and recycle.

Donations to the Foodbank can either be placed directly into the basket at Tesco Newtownbreda or donate directly to the Foodbank. Or ***please place items in the baskets in the entrance vestibule/porch.***

Open for donations every Wednesday 1-3pm and every Thursday 10am-12pm.

Our warehouse is Unit 4, 23 Sunwich Street, Belfast, BT6 8HR

Any questions regarding donating please call us on 07743332489 or email us on info@southbelfast.foodbank.org.uk

HANDEL'S MESSIAH

MERRY OPERA'S DRAMATIC STAGING
17TH REVIVAL SEASON

Seen by more than 14,600 people

"Breath-taking; thought-provoking; inspiring"

"That was the Messiah I have waited all my life to see"



ST JOHN'S MALONE CHURCH
Friday November 8th 2024
7.30pm

141 Malone Rd
Belfast
BT9 6SX

£20

£10 Under 16s

Box Office: www.merryopera.co.uk

Telephone: 03336 664 466



The Merry Opera Company
www.merryopera.co.uk
Registered Charity No. 1127392



St John's Malone
[@malonestjohns](https://www.facebook.com/malonestjohns)



[stjohnsmalone](https://www.instagram.com/stjohnsmalone)

If you would like to make an offering towards the upkeep of the parish please visit:

<https://givealittle.co/c/stjohnsdonate>



www.malone.connor.anglican.org