



Sunday 4 October 2009
**HARVEST THANKSGIVING
& HARVEST SUPPER**
6:00 pm Ringland

Collect

Eternal God,
who crownest the year with thy goodness
and givest us the fruits of the earth in their season:
grant that we may use them to thy glory,
for the relief of them that be in need, and for our own well-being;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Old Testament Reading: Joel 2,21-27

Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the LORD has done great things! 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. 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. The threshing-floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. 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. 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. 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.

New Testament Reading: Matthew 6,25-33

Jesus said to his disciples: '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? Look 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? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, 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, will he not much more clothe you - you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.'



All weekday services this week will be at their usual times, **except that** there will be **no** Evening Prayer at Swannington on Saturday.

This week we pray particularly for those who live and work around **Field Farm** and along **Field Road** in Weston Longville.

Please continue to pray for the sick & those in need:

Angela Ashford; Barbara Brown; Anne Dunn; Pat Evans; Jo, James & baby Daniel; Shirley Nicholson; Cynthia Savory; Val; Enid Warnes; Alex Williams.

Saints this week

Fri Denys, first bishop of Paris, and his companions: (martyred 250)

Sat Paulinus, first bishop of York, missionary (died 644)

Events this week

Mon	6:00 pm	Baptism rehearsal at Ringland
	7:00 pm	Ringland PCC meets at 'Redmire'
Tue	3:30 pm	"All Saints Alive!" after-school club meets at Great Witchingham school
	6:00 pm	Baptism rehearsal at Swannington

Wed	7:30 pm	Swannington Singers rehearsal at the Firs
Fri	7:30 for 7:45 pm	Weston Longville's Harvest Supper takes place in Weston village hall. Catering once again by Dean of the Fox & Hounds at Lyng; bring your own wine and glasses. Tickets for the meal, £12:50 , available from Selwyn, Mollie Parkinson (872885) or Dot (880962); please speak to Dot if you have any dietary problems.
Sat	2:30 pm	Baptisms of WILLIAM FRANK & HENRI JAMES BOYD at Ringland

Next Sunday: Trinity 18

8:00 am	Holy Communion (1662) at Weston Longville
10:00 am	All-Age Worship at Ringland (Sister Stella Noons)
10:00 am	The Eucharist and baptism anniversaries at Swannington
3:00 pm	Baptism of GEORGIA ELIZABETH MARFELL-WILLIAMS at Swannington

Future Events:

Wed 14th, Sat 17th, Sun 18th Pastoral visitation of the benefice by Archdeacon John Ashe.

Sunday 18th October: St Luke

NB 5:00 pm	The Eucharist at Swannington
Sat 17th	(preacher, John Ashe)
9:00 am	Holy Communion (1662) at Ringland (president and preacher, John Ashe)
10:00 am	Holy Communion (1662) at Great Witchingham (preacher, John Ashe)
10:00 am	Children's service at Swannington
6:00 pm	Evensong at Alderford (preacher, John Ashe)

