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*17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity 4<sup>th</sup> October 2020*  
*Thanksgiving for the Harvest*

**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 your 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 forever.

**Amen**

**Post Communion Prayer**

Lord of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the 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**

## Today's Readings

### **First Reading**

**Deuteronomy 8: 7-18**

#### **Old Testament Section Page:**

Material items that God intends to be good can be misused by people and lead us away from God. Remembering God in times of prosperity can be difficult. Abundance is truly a blessing when one remembers who gives and when we use it to achieve God's purposes. God made material things to serve human needs and to bring glory to God. Both purposes are achieved when Christians use their God-given possessions for care of family, giving to the needy, service to God and support of the ministry.

This is the word of the Lord – **Thanks be to God**

### **Psalm 65**

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**Old Testament Section: Red Bible. Page:**

### **Second Reading**

**2 Corinthians 9: 6 – 15**

#### **New Testament Section: Red Bible: Page:**

Paul reminded the Corinthians of God's sufficiency of grace of His justice. The conclusion shown for believers is that our justice and righteousness are to correspond to God's. We are to give to the poor. Giving is a part of our righteousness. Righteousness is thus expressed outwardly in meeting the needs of other people. Such acts of righteousness bring a harvest so we can give even more. Justice is thus based on willingness to give to others, not on demand for our rights.

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## Gospel

Luke 12. 16 – 30

### **New Testament Section: Red Bible: Page:**

How we live expresses our Christian faith. Personal life-style is made up of attitudes and values, activities, conduct patterns, goals and specific uses of material possessions. The world insists that the good life consists of accumulating possessions and indulging in luxuries. Christ showed that life is fulfilling only when we seek to extend His kingdom by loving, serving and giving to others. Jesus' teachings and His life-style denounced getting wealth as the aim of life. He reminded His followers that owning material riches is temporary and that spiritual riches are eternal. Money and possessions are to be use in spiritual serving.

### **Praise to you O Christ**

**18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

**11<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

**First Reading: Isaiah 25: 1-9**

**Psalm: 23 Sec Reading: Philippians 4: 1-9**

**Gospel: Matthew 22: 1-14**

Post Communion

***Services for 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity***

***11<sup>th</sup> October 2020***

10:30 Wolvesnewton – Holy Communion

08:00 St Mary's – Holy Communion

10:30 Llangybi – Holy Communion

10:30 Tredunnoc – Holy Communion

**Events for week**  
**5<sup>th</sup> October 2020 – 11<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

**Thursday October 8<sup>th</sup>**

10:00-12:00 Priory Church of St Mary Church Open for Personal Prayer

Please enter using the North door and follow the guidelines

**Prayer List:**

Carys, William, Ruth Antuch, Terry Byrne, Jay De Wilde, Glenys Duggan, Rosemary Fowler, June Howells, Olive Howells, Nancy Jones, David Kenny, Eira Price, Julie Reynolds, Dora Sales, Olive Swann, Paul Watkinson, Peter Woodiwiss, Hilary Williams and Les Williams.

**Dearly Departed:** Sheila Kear

**Years Mind:** Margaret Parrish (4<sup>th</sup> Oct), Doug Rodwell (8<sup>th</sup> Oct) and Helen Stother (8<sup>th</sup> Oct)

***Ministry Area News***

**NEW MINISTRY AREA LEADER**

Bishop Cherry and the Ministry Area are pleased to tell you that, following much prayer, discussion and a rigorous interview and discernment process, the Reverend Sally Ingle-Gillis has been appointed to be the new Leader of the Usk Ministry Area and its seven churches.