



# The Priory Church of Jesus Christ Ascot

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**The Priory is closed on Monday this week.**

**Tuesday - Friday**

8:40am Morning Prayer

9:00am Mass

5:00pm Evening Prayer

**Sunday October 15th**

**Trinity 18**

10:00am Solemn Mass

**Psalm Response: You crown the year with goodness.**

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.** Seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness and all God will give you all you need. **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**Hymns: Introit: 133**  
**Offertory: 719**  
**Recessional: 392**



## Living Contemplatively

A Quiet Day with the Abbot of  
Mount St. Bernard Abbey  
Saturday 11th November, 9am - 1pm  
at Ascot Priory.

*Registration form at back of Church.*

## Readings for the Sunday Eucharist

### Today: Harvest Festival

Deuteronomy 8:7-18  
2 Corinthians 9:6-15  
Matthew 6:25-33

### Next Week: Trinity 18

Isaiah 25:1-9  
Philippians 4:1-9  
Matthew 22:1-14

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## For your prayers this week

Pray for The Diocese of St Albans: Bp. Alan Smith, Jonathan Bishop of Ebbsfleet and the Bishops and Parishes of the Society. Bp. John Goddard. St James the Great, Hanslope, Fr Gary Ecclestone. SS Simon and Jude, Castlethorpe, Fr Gary Ecclestone. St Martin, Fenny Stratford, Fr Victor Bullock. All Saints, Calverton, Fr Ross Northing. St Mary & St Giles, Stony Stratford, Fr Ross Northing.

**Pray for** the continuing ministry of this Priory, Fr. Paul and the Trustees  
**Pray for** the peace of the world.

**Pray for** those in need: the poor, the hungry, the homeless, the unemployed, for refugees, for all victims of terrorism, cruelty or abuse, the lonely, the frightened, the despairing and the bereaved.

**Pray for** those who are sick or in need: Simon Plummer, John Clothier, Naomi Puttick, Derek & Barbara Scroggins, Ray Cook, Patti Sibbons, Lisa Bradley, Vienne Moore, Helen Coles, Karen, Jacqui, Jill Butcher, Helen, Elizabeth Wright, Candice, Lorraine, Johara Valenzuela, Chris Sterry, Margaret Ozcan, Margaret, Gavin Ashenden.

**Pray for the Departed:** Sr Clare, Fr. Paul Harvie, Abt. Alan Rees, Sr Alice of the Resurrection, Fr. Philip Husbands, Mother Sophia, Sr Mary Clara, Betty Hubert, Bp. Alexander Forbes, Barbara Bond, Lee-Ann Rocha.



'Harvest' is derived from the Old English word 'hærfest', which means "Autumn". It then came to refer to the season for reaping and gathering grain and other grown products. Harvest Festivals are traditionally held on or near the Sunday of the Harvest Moon.

An early harvest festival used to be celebrated at the beginning of the harvest season on 1 August and was called Lammas, meaning 'loaf Mass'. Farmers made loaves of bread from the fresh wheat crop. These were given to the local church as the Communion bread during a special service thanking God for the harvest.

The modern tradition of celebrating Harvest Festival in churches began in 1843, when the Reverend Robert Hawker invited parishioners to a special thanksgiving service at his church at Morwenstow in Cornwall.

As British people have come to rely less heavily on home-grown produce, there has been a shift in emphasis in many Harvest Festival celebrations. Increasingly, churches have linked Harvest with an awareness of and concern for people in the developing world for whom growing crops of sufficient quality and quantity remains a struggle.