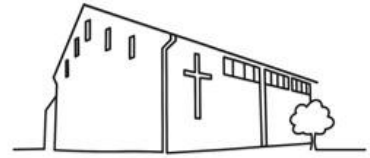


# THE WEEKLY LINK

Sun 5<sup>th</sup> Oct 2025



St Wulstans Church

10am Harvest Celebration – Rev Sarah at St Barnabas  
11.15 Harvest Celebration – Rev Paul at St Wulstans  
4pm iSingSUNDAY family congregation at St Barnabas

**Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to your wonders, that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Wed 8 Oct 10am Midweek Communion --- St Barnabas  
12.15 Cluster Ministers --- Vicarage  
7pm ABIDE for Autumn group --- Vicarage  
Thu 9 Oct *Day 1: Solar panel installation at the Vicarage*  
6.15 Warndon Forum meets --- St Wulstans  
Fri 10 Oct *Day 2: Solar panel installation at the Vicarage*  
10.30 ABIDE for Autumn group --- St Wulstans

## **SUNDAY 12TH OCTOBER**

10am Communion – Rev Andy & Rev Sarah at St Barnabas  
11.15 Something Else Sunday – Rev Sarah & Team at St Wulstans  
7pm Crossroads, our monthly evening service at Christ Church  
Tue 14 Oct 10am Rev Sarah in St Barnabas School assemblies  
Wed 15 Oct 10am Midweek Communion --- St Barnabas  
12pm Deanery Chapter meets --- St Wulstans  
Thu 16 Oct 9am Diocesan training event --- St Wulstans  
Sat 18 Oct Core team working morning --- St Wulstans  
7pm Big Quiz Night --- St Barnabas

## **SUNDAY 19TH OCTOBER**

10am Informal Worship with Baptism – Rev Sarah at St Barnabas  
11.15 Together for Communion – Rev Sarah at St Wulstans

## **SUNDAY 26TH OCTOBER**

10.30 Cluster Service for all – Rev Rosie and Rev Rich at St Nicholas



## Week 5 --- Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October

# *Why is wisdom worth it?*

### Psalm 67

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us, so that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations. May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you. May the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you rule the peoples with equity and guide the nations of the earth. May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you. The land yields its harvest; God, our God, blesses us. May God bless us still, so that all the ends of the earth will fear him.

### Luke 17:5-6

The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!”

The Lord replied, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.”

### **One | What Stands Out?**

Which of the readings would you choose to make a Harvest banner?

### **Two | What Does It Mean?**

Jesus answers the disciples’ request for more faith with a wild image — a tree growing in the sea. What does this exaggerated picture tell us about what really matters in faith?

### **Three | How Does It Connect?**

Look at Psalm 67. Both readings use harvest and growth to point to God’s power and blessing. They remind us too that God invites us to cooperate in creation. What does it mean to have a Harvest faith?

### **Four | What Are the Deeper Questions?**

I heard recently that God gave us grain and not bread, grapes and not wine. It is only through created things — and above all through Jesus who joined us within the creation he brought into being — that God can be known by us. What do you think?

### **Five | What Challenges You?**

Faith on its own can look impressive, but without wisdom it can lose its way. Paul says in 1 Corinthians 13 that even if he had faith to move mountains, even if he gave away all he had, even if he gave his body to be burned — without love it was nothing. How does that challenge us to see that true faith needs wisdom, love, and care if it is to bear fruit in creation and in our lives?

### **Six | How Will You Respond?**

Just because we can, doesn’t mean we should. Wisdom is knowing when to act, and when to refrain, so that creation is honoured and not harmed. This Harvest, what one choice can you make — in how you eat, shop, travel, or use resources — that shows faith working with wisdom for the sake of God’s world?