Attendance sheets for school applications are now available in church for you to sign.

### THIS WEEK:

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September 9.45am Eucharist 4.00pm Eucharist

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 12 noon Eucharist

Please see the Parish Mailing for details on how to sign up for these services. To comply with the Covid health regulations, it is necessary for you to book a place.



Scan this QR code to sign up to the Parish Mailing.

### PRAYER LIST

From time to time our prayer list is revised/updated. If you wish the name of the person for whom you have asked our prayers to remain on the list, please could you let Marilyn know by 20<sup>th</sup> September.

FOODBANK: please remember to bring your donations to church. There is a box in the porch.

Looking forward to when we usually bring our Harvest gifts - this year all donations will go in the Foodbank collection. So please give generously.

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# St John the Baptist, Malden



Sunday September 20th 2020

Season of Creation: Jubilee for the Earth

# 'There is enough for our need, not our greed'

<u>COLLECT</u> Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

# IN OUR PRAYERS TODAY

We pray for those in particular need: Joanna, Andrea Linsell, Niels, Von, Pat and Chris Hembrow, Dorinthe, Susanna, Izzy Kennedy, Joy Hull, Derek, Ann Neil, Marie Young. We pray for those who have died recently: Walter Knevett. We pray for those whose Year's Mind occurs this week: Mick Hooper, Lionel Barker, Jean Ingham.

<u>Today's organ voluntary:</u> Dialogue sur les grands jeux - De Grigny

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## FIRST READING

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, 'If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.' Then the LORD said to Moses, 'I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.' So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, 'In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?' And Moses said, 'When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter against him-what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD.' Then Moses said to Aaron, 'Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, "Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining." 'And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked towards the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, 'I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, "At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God." 'In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, 'What is it?'\* For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, 'It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.

# GOSPEL READING

MATTHEW 20:1-16

'For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." When evening came, the owner of the vinevard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner. saving. "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage?<sup>\*</sup> Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'