

Michaelmas,

celebrated on **September 29**, is a Christian festival honouring the Archangel Michael and all angels.

Historically, it marks the end of the harvest, the start of autumn,

It used to be said that harvest had to be completed by Michaelmas, almost like the marking of the end of the productive season and the beginning of the new cycle of farming.

It was the time at which new servants were hired, or land was exchanged and debts were paid.

St Michael is one of the principal angelic warriors, protector against the dark of the night and the Archangel who fought against Satan and his evil angels.

As Michaelmas is the time that the darker nights and colder days begin – the edge into winter – the celebration of Michaelmas is associated with encouraging protection during these dark months.

Michaelmas/Feast of St Michael and All angels Prayer:

Everlasting God,

you have ordained and constituted the ministries of angels and mortals in a wonderful order:

grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven,

so, at your command,

they may help and defend us on earth;

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 for ever. Amen

Keeping in Touch

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Pew News

Milborne Port, Milborne Wick,
Goathill, Charlton Horethorne, Stowell,
Blackford, Compton Pauncefoot and Maperton.

September 2026

Services

(The Liturgical colour for September is green)

Wednesday 2nd September

10:30 am Midweek Communion BCP, Milborne Port

Sunday 6th September 14th Sunday after Trinity

Ezekiel 33:7-11, Matthew 18:15-20

9:00 am Holy Communion, Blackford

10:30 am Holy Communion, Milborne Port

6:00 pm Evensong, Stowell

Wednesday 9th September

10:30 am Midweek Communion BCP, Milborne Port

Sunday 13th September 15th Sunday after Trinity

Genesis 50:15-21, Matthew 18:21-35

9:30 am Compton Pauncefoot and Blackford

Morning Service, Compton Pauncefoot

10:30 am Holy Communion, Milborne Port

6:00 pm Evensong, Charlton Horethorne

Wednesday 16th September

10:30 am Midweek Communion BCP, Milborne Port

Sunday 20th September 16th Sunday after Trinity

Jonah 3:10-end & 4:1-end, Matthew 20:1-16

9:00 am Blackford and Compton Pauncefoot

Morning Service, Blackford

9:00 am Holy Communion, Milborne Wick

10:30 am Holy Communion, Maperton

10:30 am Matins, Milborne Port

6:00 pm Holy Communion, Charlton Horethorne

Wednesday 23rd September

10:30 am Midweek Communion BCP, Milborne Port

Sunday 27th September 17th Sunday after Trinity

Philippians 2:1-13, Matthew 21:23-32

9:00 am Holy Communion, Compton Pauncefoot

10:30 am Holy Communion, Milborne Port

6:00 pm Evensong, Goathill

Wednesday 30th September

10:30 am Midweek Communion BCP, Milborne Port

Sunday 4th October 18th Sunday after Trinity

Philippians 3:4b-14, Matthew 21:33-end

9:00 am Holy Communion, Blackford

10:30 am Holy Communion, Milborne Port

6:00 pm Evensong, Stowell

Wednesday 7th October

10:30 am Midweek Communion BCP, Milborne Port

Sunday 11th October 19th Sunday after Trinity

Philippians 4:1-9, Matthew 22:1-14

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Benefice Harvest Festivals

Sunday 20 September

9am Blackford

10.30am Maperton

6pm Milborne Wick

Sunday 27 September

6pm Goathill

Sunday 4 October

10.30 Milborne Port

6pm Stowell

Sunday 11th October

9.30am Compton Pouncefoot

6pm Charlton Horethorne

A Prayer for September

Dear God, thank You for the gift of a new month and a changing season.

Guide our steps and give us wisdom in all our choices.

Bring peace to our families and unity to our homes.

Grant us health, strength, and open doors of opportunity.

Fill our hearts with fresh hope and quiet trust in You. Amen

From Stuart Thomas.

Thank you so much for all the donations that were given for the **Mozatathon**.

We raised **£1,200** which goes the St John's restoration fund.

Charity and Mission @ St John's.

During September St John's will be supporting **The Roost**, Yeovil.

They are a drop-in centre run by Yeovil Community Church and provide daycare and help for local homeless people as well as occasional laundry facilities.

<https://yeovilcommunitychurch.co.uk/roost/>

Pew News.

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Anything Goes

Charlton Horethorne **Variety Show**

7pm Saturday 17th October 2026

With two course supper

Music and comedy for all the family. Expect the unexpected!

Tickets £15 from Charlton Horethorne Village Shop with all proceeds to *Medecins Sans Frontieres*.

Children under 16 are free but they do need a ticket.

Licensed bar, raffle

Further details : billcloss42@gmail.com / 01963 220640

St John's Church Sponsor a Hymn.

Dates now available for September- December 2026

Signup sheet and donation envelopes are at the back of St John's Church.

Suggested donation: £5.

Completed envelopes to David Johnson.

FOODSHARE @ St John's

If you would like to donate or volunteer

(or both!) please contact:

Jacque Hall: 07740 862 823

Any donation of food or money, however small is very welcome.

St John's Church Sponsor a Date 2026

Can you help us with the running costs of our beautiful and historic building?

Choose a date (s) - birthday, anniversary or special day, and contact a churchwarden or

Helen Solomon:

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September sponsors – Thank you

3 Richard Warren

4 Tony & Naomi Thorp

8 Anne Redman

23 Stuart and Heather Thomas

Coffee@ St John's

Coffee will be available @ St John's after the 10.30 service during the whole month of September.