

*Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in the synagogues, preaching the good news of the Kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.'*

*Matthew 9:35-38*

### Lord of the Harvest

The world exists because of your grace and love.  
May you send workers, because the harvest is  
great but the workers are few.

In St Oswald's, St Peter's, St Michael's, St Mary's  
and St George's  
give us your grace and love for one another  
as we together seek to bring you glory.

Give us patience and understanding,  
as we join together in your Kingdom's harvest work.

Give us hearts filled with zeal for your glory,  
mouths that encourage, and the compassion of your  
Son Jesus as we become all things to all people  
so that by all means possible we might save some.

Give us perseverance to run the race that is set before us,  
looking only to Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith.  
And bring us at last to your eternal peace.

In Jesus' name we pray.  
Amen

