

Harvest Festival

Sunday 24th September 2023

This year there will be a dual focus for our Harvest Festival with support being sought for our own, Cornerstone initiative, and for the Charlbury Refugee Action Group (CRAG).

Cornerstone would be grateful to receive any store cupboard foods, toiletries and cleaning products for use with households in need, as well as financial donations. Please bring these items to the church service or leave in the box for Cornerstone in St Mary's church to the left of the front door.

CRAG works to support all those seeking refuge in our country from all over the world, including Ukraine, Afghanistan, the Middle East and Africa. As summer draws to a close, the focus is on meeting the needs of refugees over the coming winter months. Items that are required are shown below:

THE NEEDS LIST	
Tents	Men's and boy's coats (especially small and medium sizes)
Sleeping bags and blankets	Men's jogging bottoms or jeans, size 26-34
Men's t-shirts	Men's hoodies
Backpacks	Rain ponchos
Trainers	Socks, hats and gloves
New boxer shorts	Hoodies and jumpers
Mobile phones (unlocked and with a working battery)	Oyster cards

A collection point will be set up in the Memorial Chapel from Saturday 16th September until Sunday 25th September: items will then be collected by CRAG and delivered to those most in need. Please ensure all items are clean and undamaged.

Please do what you can to provide some of these items for people who are in serious need of help, on both sides of the Channel. Your generosity and kindness brings hope and solace in the midst of suffering and uncertainty. We had a very successful appeal at last year's Harvest Festival – let's see if we can do even better this year.