



## Harvest Thanksgiving Service on 28 September at La Côte Church



We are looking forward to celebrating harvest and to sharing from our abundance on Sunday 28 September in Divonne at 10.00.

If you are able, please bring a bag of produce with you which we will pass on to Restos du Coeur in France and to households struggling with food insecurity in Switzerland.

Here are guidelines from Georges Mills to help us with our giving:

The items **most needed** by the Restos are: single portion (i.e. for one person) tins or packets of nutritious food (e.g. tinned meat, sardines/tunny/mackerel, tinned vegetables, tinned ready-made meals, etc.), all within shelf life limit; also toiletries (e.g. toothpaste, shampoo, etc.); and also good, clean, warm, sensible clothes for adults.

**No** alcohol, cigarettes, fresh/perishable produce, sweets/other confectionery, bags of flour or sugar, etc, or very large tins/bags/packets of food, unwashed/unclean/torn clothing.

Many recipients of food do not have adequate cooking or storage facilities. Some cannot find affordable accommodation and resort to sleeping in their cars. Food, clothes, etc. for children are *not* a priority because mothers readily receive help from other agencies and have priority access to housing.

