

Pews News & Notices

8th December 2019 : Second Sunday of Advent

Websites: All Saints', Harbury - allsaintsharbury.org

All Saints', Ladbroke - ladbrokechurch.org.uk

WORSHIPPING GOD - GROWING IN FAITH - WORKING IN COMMUNITY

John the Baptist is the voice in the wilderness, urging repentance and purification. He encourages us to make room in the wilderness of our lives for the one whose coming is near. Not only will Jesus be in our midst walking with us, but he also invites us to live in him through baptism and to grow in the Spirit. The coming messiah will make straight our paths as he walks with us.

We welcome today

Archdeacon Sue Field who will be leading and preaching at the 9am (Ladbroke) and 10.30am (Harbury) services.

TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00am	Harbury	Holy Communion (Said) Service
9.00am	Ladbroke	Holy Communion
10.30am	Harbury	Holy Communion & Children's Church
3.00pm	Harbury	Messy Church

Readings:

Isaiah 11:1-10 pg 4 Romans 15:4-13 pg 6
Gospel reading: Matthew 3:1-12 pg 7

THE MONDAY HOME GROUP lunch at The Crown on the 9th December. We will not meet as a group again until the New Year. Wishing everyone a happy and peaceful Christmas. John Stringer 613214.

'AWAY DAY' - Wednesday, 11th December from 10am - 4pm in the THR.

PLEASE NOTE there will be **NO** Wednesday evening Bible Study during December (which is hosted by Bob & Ann Clucas). 2020 dates will be issued shortly.

HARBURY 'BEER & CAROLS' AT THE CROWN INN : You are cordially invited to 'Beer & Carols' at the Crown Inn on Thursday, 12th December at 6.30pm. Please pass the word on! It promises to be a good evening!

LADBROKE 'BEER & CAROLS' AT THE BELL: Thursday, 12th December at 7pm.

The **CHRISTINGLE SERVICE** is on Sunday 15th December. We will be preparing Christingles straight after the coffee morning on 14th December. I need help to do this. The more helpers the better & the sooner the job will be done. Please come if you can at 11.45am to the Tom Hauley room. Thank you. Alison Abbott.

NO EVENSONG SERVICE AT HARBURY: Please note there will be **NO** Evensong service next Sunday, 15th December.

YOUTH GROUP: Sunday, 15th December at 7pm in the THR. A get together for teenagers with food, games & discussion of big questions. Contact Ann Clucas 613739.

SCHOOL SERVICE in church on Wednesday, 18th December at 10am.

HARBURY CHURCH DECORATING : Saturday December 21st: we shall be decorating the Church for Christmas. If anyone has some lovely bright foliage, berries or evergreens it would be most useful; we shall start at 9am or ring Gillian on 614809 for collection. Best of all, anyone will be really welcome to help. This is one of the best times of the flower arrangers' year as we transform the solemnity of Advent to a joyous welcome. There are lots of unskilled jobs if you are out of practice, and a really happy atmosphere.

'MUSICIAN' NEEDED for **Dressing the Crib Children's Service** on Christmas Eve at 1.30pm at All Saints, Harbury. Is there someone who could play approximately half a dozen Carols for the families at this service? If you feel you can help, please telephone Gemma Took 01926 614193 for further details.

THE THURSDAY EVENING HOUSE GROUP will have its first meeting of 2020 on Thursday 9th January at 7.30 at 77 Mill Street. and then weekly on Thursdays until further notice. All are most welcome. Any questions please ring the Elds on 613340.

31st JANUARY 2020 - put this in your diary. Philippa Hanna, UK singer/songwriter (www.philippahanna.com to hear her and see videos) is booked for a concert. Time, venue and ticket details will be announced nearer the time. This is another opportunity to bring friends for a great concert and gentle Christian message.

NOTICES

PARISH PROFILE - this is your chance to contribute to the profile! The Profile is now with the Diocese for the Bishop and Area Dean to add their comments. When it comes back, we shall be adding pictures to it. We have some, but should like to include a picture of one of the main congregations on the front cover. Therefore, at the 10.30 service next week (8th December) we will be asking you to stay in your seats after the main service for one photograph and then gather round the altar for another. The idea is that you all look as though you're happy to be there (OK - pretend if you must). It shouldn't take very long and then we will have something to put on the Profile and the web-site. With many thanks for your understanding and participation - the Writing Group.

POSADA - MAKING ROOM FOR MARY & JOSEPH. Would you be willing to host Mary & Joseph for one night during Advent as they travel around the village looking for somewhere to stay? Their journey begins today at the 9am service. If you can offer them a room, please sign the rota in the information area where there is also a poster explaining more about the Posada or contact Gill Guilford 614206 or 07856 764814.

NEW ROTAS for the morning services are available at the back of Church. Please take yours plus any you could deliver. Thank you. Gillian Hare

AN APPEAL : We are in urgent need of a new Sacristan (preferably 2) and volunteers to clean the church and brass. Please contact Fliss on 612395 if you can help. Thank you.

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Revd Bob Clucas: 4 Highfield Cottages, Station Road, Bishop's Itchington CV47 2SR Tel: 01926 613739

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HARBURY CHURCH AUDIO SYSTEM - HELP NEEDED: At the moment we rely on a couple of people to operate the audio system (every Sunday) and the visual aids (currently the projector/screen) less frequently - and could really do with a few more volunteers to help out from time to time. You do not have to be particularly 'techy' as full training will be given - but your assistance really would help to 'spread the load'. If you are interested in volunteering or even just finding out more, please contact William Jones, Elaine Barnden or via communication@allsaintsharbury.org

PLEASE NOTE: with the ending of British Summer Time, except when there is a Sunday or mid-week service, All Saints' Harbury will be locked from late afternoon during the Winter months.

PRAYER 2020

an exciting opportunity to join an army of prayer!

Many individuals and ministries are sensing that 2020 is a significant year in which we will see the church in the UK grow.

Imagine your church at the heart of your community as a beacon of hope for the least, the lost and the lonely. Imagine your neighbourhood transformed as the network of people connected with members of your church discover fresh hope as they come to know Jesus' love for themselves.

HOPE Together is inviting Christians of all denominations to pray for 20 minutes on the 20th of every month, throughout 2020, each evening at 20:20

Let's get ready to pray and see God at work

Visit <https://vimeo.com/350706909> for further information

Services & Events This Week : December

Mon 9	Harbury		Monday Group lunch at The Crown
Tue 10	Harbury	7.30pm	Holy Communion
Wed 11	Harbury	10-4pm	Away Day', THR
Thur 12	Harbury Harbury Ladbroke	9.45am 6.30pm 7.00pm	Holy Communion followed by coffee Beer & Carols, at The Crown Inn Beer & Carols at The Bell
Sat 14	Harbury Harbury	10-12pm 11.45am	Coffee morning in aid of the Children of Chernobyl Christingle making, THR

NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICES :

15th December - Third Sunday of Advent

8.00am	Harbury	Holy Communion (Said) Service
9.00am	Ladbroke	Holy Communion
10.30am	Harbury	Holy Communion
4.00pm	Harbury	Christingle Service
6.30pm	Ladbroke	Village Carol Service

Readings:

First reading: Isaiah 35:1-10 pg 8 or Luke 1:46b-55 pg 10

Second reading : James 5:7-10 pg 10

Gospel reading: Matthew 11:2-11 pg 11

Please remember in your prayers this week:-

**Jeff, Tony, Mike, Chris, Caroline,
John, Karen,
Olivia, Kate, Sue, Nora Ellis,
Emma Payne & Eveline Tennant.**

A Prayer In this time of waiting

In this time of vacancy and waiting,

Let nothing disturb us;

Let nothing frighten us;

Although it seems as if everything is changing,

God is changeless.

We worry about our lack of abilities and gifts,

But, God lacks nothing,

And God alone will meet our every need.

God give us peace. Amen

CHRISTMAS 2019 FOR HARBURY & LADBROKE

Thursday, 12th December

6.30pm Beer & Carols at The Crown Inn, Harbury

7.00pm Beer & Carols at The Bell, Ladbroke

Sunday 15th December

4.00pm Christingle Service, Church (for children & families), Harbury

6.30pm Village Carol Service, Ladbroke

Christmas Eve

1.30pm Crib Service for children & families, Harbury

3.00pm Crib Service for children & families, Ladbroke

5.00pm Village Carol Service, Harbury

11.15pm Midnight Mass, Harbury

Christmas Day

9.00am Family Communion with carols, Ladbroke

10.30am Family Communion with carols, Harbury

Please note:

There will be **NO** Holy Communion Services on Thursday, 26th,

Tuesday, 31st December or Thursday, 2nd January.

There will be **NO** 8am service on Sunday 29th December.

Other Sunday services as usual during Advent.