



All Saints', Harbury



All Saints', Ladbroke



St Michael & All Angels, Ufton

TODAY'S SERVICES : 13th June, 2021 : Trinity 2

9.00am Ladbroke 10.30am Harbury including Children's Church

*Although we are back in church, there will be live broadcasts on Zoom & Facebook.
Where possible the Ladbroke service will also be recorded & uploaded to Youtube.*

MESSAGE FROM REV ANDY

I feel there is only one subject for this weeks article, and in true British fashion its got to be the weather! As I write this we are in the middle of a mini heatwave, which according to the forecasters looks as if it will last for some time to come. This is such a change from just a few weeks ago when we were suffering an unusually wet and cold May! I know the farmers will be welcoming the warmth and drier weather that June has brought.

While I love the sunshine and heat, particularly as summer holidays to warmer parts of the world are looking unlikely at the moment, an extended period of higher temperatures can sometimes bring with it the threat of drought and the seemingly inevitable hosepipe bans. While this may be an unusual event in our country, there are people throughout the world who suffer droughts almost every year, and many who struggle to find uncontaminated water to drink.

References to water (or the lack of it) feature throughout the Bible. Jesus speaks many times about 'the water of life' which he freely offers to everyone who asks for it.

We might wonder what that is – and indeed some of the people around Jesus thought he was offering a source of water which would never dry up even in the worst drought, something that would have been particularly precious to those living in parched desert conditions, where finding water often meant the difference between life and death.

But Jesus was talking about a different kind of thirst – a spiritual dryness that we can all experience. Our lives can so easily be consumed by the things around us that demand our time and attention, the challenges of modern life, work, finances, family, health. We sometimes don't recognise the spiritual thirst that builds up inside.

The reality is that we all have that spiritual dimension to our lives as human beings. If we ignore this aspect of who we are then our daily experience of life can become dehydrated and meaningless. In the end we all thirst for something that will satisfy us in ways that material things never can.

Jesus promises to satisfy that thirst – to be a source of living water that never runs out - there are no restrictions on his supply. All we need to do is ask, and the taps will be turned on, turning the desert within us into an oasis of life.

PRAYER

Thank you Lord for the beauty of your creation experienced in so many different ways as the seasons change. As we reflect on the theme of living water which we all need to refresh and revive us, help us to recognise when our lives have become dry and dusty, and to open ourselves to the generous pouring out of your spirit to renew our connection with you and to restore a more healthy set of priorities.

Please remember in your prayers this week:-

Keith Dormer, Jeff, Chris, Caroline, Tom, Karen, Nora, John, Jean, Jacqui, Peter, Emma Paine, Eveline Tennant, Aaron Smith, Andy Lewin, Tom Kelly, John Quinn, Lee & Baby Samuel Jeffrey Moore.

We remember before God & pray for the families of:-

Dorothy Groves.

We are sad to report that Graham Nunn, who visited All Saints', Harbury several times, most recently with Nancy his colleague, sadly died this week after a short illness. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

In our year's mind we remember and give thanks for the lives of:-

Earnest Sheasby, Maud Playdon, Irene Lowe, Joseph Greenwell, Stan Barnes & Baby Joshua Lowe.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK :

These names are printed on the weekly pew sheet, and are read out during our church & on-line services each Sunday, which is, of course, visible to those who are not necessarily members of our congregations. If anyone would like to be included on this list (full name or just Christian name) please let Rev Andy (714295) or Fliss Harris (612395) know. If you are putting a name down on behalf of someone it is imperative that you have their consent to do so. Also, if anyone does feel uncomfortable about their name being read out during our on-line services, then do please let us know and we will remove the name.

VISION DAY FOR HARBURY, LADBROKE & UFTON

Saturday, 10th July 2021 at St Nicholas Church Hall, Radford Semele from 10am—4pm.

We would be delighted if members of all three churches would join us for the day to explore what God's leading is on what we hold on to and what the future may hold. Rev Steve Tilley will be our facilitator for the day. Bring your own lunch; refreshments will be provided at the beginning and end of the day.

In the lead up to this special day, the final Day of Prayer will be at Ufton Church on Saturday, 26th June 10am—4pm (there will be a booklet available in church to guide your prayers).

Please note, because of the imminent Government announcement regarding whether or not to lift restrictions, this could mean the Vision Day may need to be reviewed. Further details to follow.

TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS

FIRST READING : 1 Samuel 15.34—16.13

³⁴ Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. ³⁵ Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the LORD was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

Samuel Anoints David : ¹⁶ The LORD said to Samuel, 'How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.' ² Samuel said, 'How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.' And the LORD said, 'Take a heifer with you, and say, "I have come to sacrifice to the LORD."' ³ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.' ⁴ Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, 'Do you come peaceably?' ⁵ He said, 'Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.' And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. ⁶ When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, 'Surely the LORD's anointed is now before the LORD.' ⁷ But the LORD said to Samuel, 'Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.' ⁸ Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, 'Neither has the LORD chosen this one.' ⁹ Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, 'Neither has the LORD chosen this one.' ¹⁰ Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, 'The LORD has not chosen any of these.' ¹¹ Samuel said to Jesse, 'Are all your sons here?' And he said, 'There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.' And Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.' ¹² He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, 'Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.' ¹³ Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

SECOND READING : Mark 4: 26-34

The Parable of the Growing Seed

²⁶ He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, ²⁷ and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. ²⁸ The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. ²⁹ But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

The Parable of the Mustard Seed

³⁰ He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? ³¹ It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; ³² yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.' ³³ With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; ³⁴ he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

NOTICES

THURSDAY MORNING COMMUNION AT HARBURY:

At 10am in the Tom Hauley Room. Social distancing measures will be in place. Tea & coffee will be available after the service.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH As we settle back to having services in church, we will be running Children's Church this term when there is a 10.30 service that is not an All Age service in church. So Children's Church will be on 27 June; 11 July. You are very welcome to come along. There are two groups – one for children who are 8 years old and under and one for older children.

HARBURY: Calling all scrubbers! Could anyone willing to volunteer to help clean the church get in touch with Liz McBride (62421). I would like to get back to some regular cleaning - and perhaps we can split the church up in zones for 2 or 3 people in teams to look after? Thank you. Liz

ICON YOUTH CLUB will be meeting fortnightly. We will be based in the park, although we will be able to use part of the village hall in case of bad weather. Contact Ann Clucas 613739 for more details.

SUPPORT : If you know of any individuals who need additional support please do let myself or the wardens know. Rev Andy

HOME COMMUNION : If anyone is unable to attend church but would like to receive communion at home, please do contact Rev Andy and we can arrange for either Rev Andy, Rev Ann or Gemma to bring it out to them.

Harbury, Ladbroke & Ufton : Parish Church 'Surgery' Evening

I will be starting a weekly 'surgery' in church at All Saints' Harbury from 7pm-7.30pm with effect from Tuesday, 6th July. The purpose is for anyone from all three parishes who is looking to arrange a baptism, wedding or have a pastoral issue to call in and see me. There is no need to book as this is intended to be a 'pop-in' session. Rev Andy

TOM HAULEY ROOM SATURDAY COFFEE MORNINGS

We are tentatively looking at re-starting the Saturday coffee mornings in September. Most groups have received an email but if your group hasn't, or you know of any new groups that may like to join the hosting list, please contact Sarah on 07889 108947.

Rather than an annual rota we will be looking at just six months, so you will no longer have to look too far in advance. Once we have an up-to-date groups/contact list I'll send out an email regarding hosting dates to build a rota.

Is there anyone who would be willing to serve those attending the training day, as advertised below, in Harbury Church by making hot drinks and clearing up after the breaks? If you would like to offer to do this, please could you contact Ann Clucas (01926 613739 clucasann@hotmail.com).

SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT IN CHILDREN AND TEENAGERS : 19th June 2021 from 10am-4pm

Ruth Hassall will be leading training for us at All Saints Harbury (or on zoom if required). We plan to record the sessions for those unable to attend. This is a fantastic opportunity to learn about this topic and look at practical ways to put theory into practice. This training is open to all – you do not have to be involved in the children and young peoples' groups to come along. If you would like to attend, please let Ann Clucas know (clucasann@hotmail.com).

Places are currently available for people from Harbury, Ladbroke and Ufton. After Easter, we will open up any remaining places to those from other areas and churches at the cost of £25 per delegate.

Ruth Hassall is a speaker, trainer, author and coach with over 20 years' experience of working with individuals, churches, organisations and dioceses, committed to encouraging and equipping people to live out the good news of the Kingdom.

LAY ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENT FOR HARBURY , LADBROKE & UFTON :

We welcome anyone who would like to administer the sacraments (or chalice only) at our Eucharistic Services. This has to be approved by the PCC and will then be authorized by the Bishop for a term of 2 years. Training will be given if you have not carried out this role before. If you would like to know more, contact Rev Andy.

MORNING PRAYER : Each week day morning at 8.30am via Zoom and anyone is welcome. You do not have to live in the parish or be familiar with morning prayer; you are welcome even if you have not been before. The zoom link for morning prayer has been changed to the following: Rev Andy Batchelor is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting

Join Zoom Meeting
[https://zoom.us/j/6540746080?
pwd=K2M5aHlzcE9Cb3BEeFhPOHlOM2hjdzo9](https://zoom.us/j/6540746080?pwd=K2M5aHlzcE9Cb3BEeFhPOHlOM2hjdzo9)

Meeting ID: 654 074 6080 Passcode: worship

Do join us if you would like to at 08:30 each weekday morning. Rev Andy

SERVICES & GENERAL INFORMATION

Date	Service	Harbury	Ladbroke	Ufton
20th June	Holy Communion (booking required)	10.30am All Age Service	9.00am	-
27th June	Holy Communion (booking re- quired—TBC not for Ufton)	10.30am & Children's Church	9.00am	11.00am

If you wish to attend services in church, booking is required. For Harbury, contact Liz McBride on 612421. For Ladbroke services please email ladbrokechurch@gmail.com

We will also be recording one service each week which will be made available on Youtube and Facebook for those who cannot, or would prefer not to, join a physical service.

CHURCH WEBSITES & OPENING TIMES

ALL SAINTS' HARBURY <https://allsaintsharbury.org/> @allsaintsharbury.

You will find information regarding online services & the latest pewsheets, together with our Heat Light & Stone Appeal. A donation button is on the website to receive a "collection".

Church is now open for private prayer every day from 9.30am - 5pm. Anyone is welcome to come at these times but must read & follow the signs to keep all visitors as safe as possible.

ALL SAINTS' LADBROKE ladbrokechurch.org.uk @ladbrokeheritage

We will open most Sundays from 2-4pm for private prayer but due to the repairs, which include the porch floor, this may not be possible every week so please check the services and events calendar before coming.

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