

Harbury Notices

Morning Prayer there will be no Morning prayer this week as the Vicar is on holiday.

THR Saturday coffee mornings: Heat Light Stone Appeal 26th August

How can you help support HLS ?

1) making a cake/cakes to sell - please bring them to the THR before 10 am.

2) donate a raffle prize

THEN

a) come along for a cup of coffee/tea with your friends

b) come along and buy raffle tickets!!

We look forward to seeing you.

The Collective, 26th Sept 7:30pm , The

Shakespeare Inn There will be no meeting in August. Next month's topic will be 'Why does God allow suffering?'

Harvest Supper - Saturday 7th October, early evening - make a note in your diaries, more details to come.

Ladbroke Notices

Heritage Open Days in September

Fri 8th 2-4pm, Sat 9th 10am-4pm, Sun 10th 2-

4pm Come and discover rocks and fossils, our stunning stained glass and a special exhibition of photos and artwork by local people.

administrator@allsaintsharbury.org to include messages in the pew sheet.

Note; 24th Aug 5pm is the deadline to be included in 27th Aug and 3rd Sept pew sheet

REFLECTIONS FROM THE RECTORY

Recently I have been reflecting on how busy life can get. We all seem to live such hectic lives these days. Family life brings its own demands. Here at the rectory we have Abbie, Jamie, Amy, and now Tisha, and during the summer holidays Julie, like many parents, has been in a whirl finding events and outings to entertain them. Many people also end up caring for an elderly or disabled relative, a commitment which brings its own demands on time and energy. It's sometimes so hard to find space and peace in the whirlwind of daily life. Even taking a holiday, brings its own challenges and problems. As a result stress levels are soaring and our health suffers. One of the ancient biblical principles is that of the Sabbath, at least one day a week, where we can rest, relax, and recharge our batteries. Of course Sunday is no longer the day of rest it used to be in our 24 hour, 7 day a week culture. But one thing people often value so much is that sense of peace and serenity which you can often find in churches, as well as other special places. Maybe it's to be found at the top of a mountain, or on a tranquil beach. The Celtic tradition speaks of 'thin places' where heaven and earth meet. I'm sure most of us have discovered somewhere which fits that definition, somewhere that is particularly special to us, that has a hold on our hearts. So maybe we need to rediscover the value of the Sabbath, to prioritise a place and a time where we can find the spiritual refreshment and restoration that all of us so badly need.

Prayer

Dear Lord, help us to value the Sabbath principle. Quiet our hearts, give rest to our souls, and refocus our spirit, for true renewal comes only from you. Holy Spirit help us to be intentional with our time and worship, and encourage us to find rest in you alone.

HARBURY, LADBROKE & UFTON CHURCHES



Notice Sheet Sunday 20th August 2023 Trinity 11

God of glory, the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside all that prevents us
from seeking your kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

THIS WEEKS SERVICES:

8:00am	Holy Communion	Harbury
9:00am	Holy Communion	Ladbroke
10:30am	All Age service	Harbury

THIS WEEK

Monday 21st August
(Vicar on holiday all week)

Tuesday 22nd August

Wednesday 23rd August

Thursday 24th August

10.00am Agape meal THR

Friday 25th August

8.00pm Bellingring Practice Harbury

Saturday 26th August

10:00am Coffee morning THR
HLS appeal

Sunday 27th August

9:00am Holy Communion Ladbroke
10:30am Holy Communion Harbury

Any safeguarding concerns please contact
safeguarding lead Amy Pedvin-Lewis or Rev Andy .

Churchwardens:

Harbury: Elizabeth McBride
Andy Dean

Ladbroke: Peter Rigby
Sue Moore

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Carol, Charles, Bryan, David, Pippa, Ian,
Sam, Joy, Chris, Caroline, Lee, Karen, Nora,
John, Jacqui, Peter, Emma, Eveline,
All those who have lost a loved one.

BIBLE READINGS

Genesis 45.1-15

Joseph Reveals Himself to His Brothers

45 Then Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, 'Send everyone away from me.' So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. ² And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. ³ Joseph said to his brothers, 'I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?' But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

⁴ Then Joseph said to his brothers, 'Come closer to me.' And they came closer. He said, 'I am your brother Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵ And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶ For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither ploughing nor harvest. ⁷ God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸ So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹ Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, "Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. ¹⁰ You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and

all that you have. ¹¹ I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty." ¹² And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. ¹³ You must tell my father how greatly I am honoured in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.' ¹⁴ Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. ¹⁵ And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Matthew 15.[10-20]21-28

Things That Defile

¹⁰ Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, 'Listen and understand: ¹¹ it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.' ¹² Then the disciples approached and said to him, 'Do you know that the Pharisees took offence when they heard what you said?' ¹³ He answered, 'Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. ¹⁴ Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.' ¹⁵ But Peter said to him, 'Explain this parable to us.' ¹⁶ Then he said, 'Are you also still without understanding? ¹⁷ Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer?' ¹⁸ But what

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comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. ¹⁹ For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. ²⁰ These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.'

The Canaanite Woman's Faith

²¹ Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²² Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' ²³ But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' ²⁴ He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' ²⁵ But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' ²⁶ He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' ²⁷ She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' ²⁸ Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

