

Harbury Notices

Morning Prayer meeting in the Tom Hauley Room at 8.30am Tue-Fri. All welcome.

The Collective, 21st November 7:30pm The Shakespeare Inn Post-Truth: Can We Believe Anyone?

Rev Bob and Ann Clucas s Bible Study, 23rd Nov, 3:30pm to 5 pm. This will be the last meeting for the year. 17 Farm Street, Contact Jennie Ingram on 01926 612414

Coffee morning in aid of Zoe's place, Sat Dec 2nd, THR Based in Coventry, this is the only hospice dedicated to the care and support of babies and children under 5 with life limiting conditions and their families. Your support, on this busy day, will be appreciated.

Thank you to all who supported the event on Nov 11th which raised £224 for flowers in church.

Please get in touch to be included for reading and leading intercessions at the Sunday services. Gillian Hare 614809

Christmas Fayre Saturday 2nd December 2 - 4pm, at the Village Hall Donations for the following gratefully received please:
Chocolate for Tombola, Bottles for Tombola (any size as long as they fit under a bottle bag)
Red wine - mulled wine stall, Toiletries - MU stall
Cakes, Candles and Candle Holders. The above can be dropped off in church or to Liz McBride, 1 Park Lane 01926 612421 Proceeds to the Heat, Light and Stone Appeal. Many thanks for your generosity!

Ladbroke Notices

We are in the process of recruiting a new Safeguarding officer for Ladbroke. Details to follow.

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

REFLECTIONS FROM THE RECTORY

This week general synod has been continuing to debate how to move forward the Living in love and faith process, including prayers of blessing for single sex couples and the increasingly vocal calls for single sex weddings in churches. It has been an unedifying demonstration of disunity and some would say, an abuse of the Bishops authority. It is now crystal clear that there will never be agreement on this issue across the Anglican communion and the most likely outcome is a dramatic fracture of the worldwide church. Yet it seems the Bishops are committed to a course of action that satisfies no one and blindly ignores the consequences of their actions.

Our parish churches have always been open and welcoming to all, and I am firmly committed to that principle. I have always, and will always, treat every person as a much-loved child of God without fear or favour. However, I also have the highest regard for scripture, and the inescapable truth we find in it, that God's design is for marriage to be a union between man and woman. I have been so saddened by the antagonism and contempt demonstrated at synod from those who label other faithful Christians as hateful bigots, which mirrors some of the worst aspects of a modern lack of discourse.

I don't know what the future will hold for the church we hold dear but please pray that somehow we can find our way out of this mess by the grace of God.

Prayer

Dear Lord, not matter what trials await us tomorrow, may we never forget the blessings you have shown us. Help us to hold on to you as our anchor. Help us remember your steadfast love and faithfulness for us in all things, and may we always make faithfulness to you our priority.

HARBURY, LADBROKE & UFTON CHURCHES



Notice Sheet Sunday 19th November 2023 2nd before Advent

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation:
stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess and revive in us
new hope that all creation will one day
be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

THIS WEEKS SERVICES:

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

THIS WEEK

Monday 20th November (Vicar's day off)

Tuesday 21st November

8:30am Morning prayer Harbury

7:30pm The Collective The Shakespeare

Wednesday 22nd November

8:30am Morning prayer Harbury

2:00pm Pleasant Pastimes Harbury

Thursday 23rd November

8:30am Morning prayer Harbury

10.00am Holy Communion THR

Friday 24th November

8:30am Morning prayer Harbury

8.00pm Bellingring Practice Harbury

Saturday 25th November

8:30am Morning prayer Harbury

10:00am Coffee morning
Harbury WI

Sunday 26th November

9:00am Holy Communion Ladbroke

10:30am Holy Communion Harbury

10:30am Muddy Church 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:

Margaret, Christina, Tony, Judy, Carol,
Charles, Bryan, David, Pippa, Ian, Sam, Joy,
Chris, Caroline, Lee, Karen, Nora, John,
Jacqui, Eveline.

All those who have lost a loved one.

BIBLE READINGS

1 Thessalonians 5.1-11

5 Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. ² For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³ When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! ⁴ But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; ⁵ for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. ⁶ So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; ⁷ for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. ⁸ But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹ For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰ who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. ¹¹ Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Matthew 25.14-30

The Parable of the Talents

¹⁴ 'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵ to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶ The one who had



received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷ In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸ But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹ After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰ Then the one who had received the

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five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, “Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.”²¹ His master said to him, “Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.”²² And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, “Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.”²³ His master said to him, “Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.”²⁴ Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, “Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed;²⁵ so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.”²⁶ But his master replied, “You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter?²⁷ Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest.²⁸ So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents.²⁹ For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away.³⁰ As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”