

THIS WEEK

Monday 2nd September (Vicar's day off)

Tuesday 3rd September

8:30am Morning prayer Harbury

10:30am Bumps & Bundles THR

Wednesday 4th September

8:30am Morning prayer Harbury

2:00pm Mother's Union Harbury

Thursday 5th September

8:30am Morning prayer Harbury

10:00am Holy Communion Harbury

Friday 6th September

8:30am Morning prayer Harbury

12:30pm Meeting point Harbury

7:30pm Bellringing Practice Harbury

Saturday 7th September

10:00am Coffee Morning THR
(Southam Mothers Union)

Sunday 8th September

9:00am Holy Communion Ladbroke

10:30am Holy Communion Harbury

3:00pm Messy Church Harbury

Any safeguarding concerns please contact Rev Andy, safeguarding lead Amy Pedvin-Lewis -01926716520 or Jenny Rigby -01926259985 (Ladbroke)

Churchwardens:

Harbury: Elizabeth McBride Andy Dean

Ladbroke: Peter Rigby Sue Moore

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

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

All those who have lost a loved one.

BIBLE READINGS

Song of Solomon 2.8-13

Springtime Rhapsody

⁸ The voice of my beloved!

Look, he comes,
leaping upon the mountains,
bounding over the hills.

⁹ My beloved is like a gazelle
or a young stag.

Look, there he stands
behind our wall,
gazing in at the windows,
looking through the lattice.

¹⁰ My beloved speaks and says to me:
'Arise, my love, my fair one,
and come away;

¹¹ for now the winter is past,
the rain is over and gone.

¹² The flowers appear on the earth;
the time of singing has come,
and the voice of the turtle-dove
is heard in our land.

¹³ The fig tree puts forth its figs,
and the vines are in blossom;
they give forth fragrance.

Arise, my love, my fair one,
and come away.

Mark 7.1-8, 14, 15, 21-23

The Tradition of the Elders

7 Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, ² they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. ³ (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; ⁴ and they do not eat anything from

the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) ⁵ So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' ⁶ He said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied

“This people honours me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
⁷ in vain do they worship me,
teaching human precepts as doctrines.”

rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

⁸ You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.'

¹⁴ Then he called the crowd again and said to them, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵ there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.'

²¹ For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, ²² adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. ²³ All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.'

If you, or someone you know needs additional support, or would appreciate home communion please contact Rev Andy: rev.andyb@gmail.com 01926 714295

Harbury Notices

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

Mothers' Union Wed 4th September, 2pm

Service in Church followed by tea. Non members very welcome.

Harvest Festival: the team will be decorating the church for Harvest as well as 2 weddings during the afternoon of **Thursday September 12th**. Gifts of fruit, veg, store cupboard foods and bright foliage and berries will be most welcome. phone Gillian on 614809 if there is anything needing collection.

Funeral for Carol Marsh Mon 16th Sept, 12pm

the service for Julie's mother will be taken by Rev Andy in Harbury Church. All welcome, per her request, no black attire. Reception in the Crown, donations to HLS in lieu of flowers.

The Collective 17th September 'Climate Change'

We have a quiz, hear a short presentation on the topic, and spend time discussing it together over a drink.

Come along and join us in the Shakespeare Inn 7.15 for 7.30. All welcome. Meets every 3rd Tuesday to explore what the Christian faith has to say about everyday issues that affect us all.

More info on our website communityexploringmeaning.com

Email: administrator@allsaintsharbury.org
to include messages in the Pew sheet

REFLECTION FROM THE RECTORY

After quite a challenging couple of weeks, after the move of Tisha to her new home and family and the death of Julies mum, Julie and I have planned a week away for just the two of us in Corfu, a Greek Island we love and have visited many times. I recently discovered a Youtube channel made by someone who moved to Greece 14 years ago to make a new home in a new land, and the joys and challenges this has brought. Of course as Christians we believe that where we live is not an accident. God takes us to where he wants us to be, something we have discovered many times as we have moved around during the course of my work and ministry. We may be in a place we love, but be called to take a step of faith into the unfamiliar, yet wherever he may send us we can be sure he will bless us and use us to bless our new community. In Hebrews Paul reminds us to be hospitable people – to use our homes to welcome others and serve their needs, but to have a particular focus on those who are 'of the household of faith'. That's where homegroups can fit in – being a place of welcome, hospitality and fellowship. But Paul also reminds us that our earthly home is not our true home, because we have a something better to come in his Kingdom. Of course that does not mean we cannot treasure our homes and our community, the place where God has put us, and where we can work out our own call to discipleship. I came across an account of a 7 year old who found herself lost in the streets of a large town. Frightened she was picked up by a policeman who drove her around until she finally recognised her church. 'You can let me out now' she said confidently. That's my church, and I can always find my way home from here.

Prayer

Lord we thank for our homes, and the places we live. Thank you that you lead us to where you want us to be and bless us wherever we are. May our homes be places of welcome and hospitality, and may we look forward to our 'Forever home' in your Kingdom.

HARBURY, LADBROKE & UFTON CHURCHES



Notice Sheet Sunday 1st September 2024 Trinity 14

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross:
may we trust in your mercy
and know your love, rejoicing in the
righteousness that is ours through
Jesus Christ our Lord.

THIS WEEKS SERVICES:

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