

THIS WEEK

Monday 24th March (Vicar's day off)

Tuesday 25th March

8:30am Morning prayer Harbury
10:30am Bumps & Bundles THR
7:30pm Harbury PCC THR
7:30pm The Collective The Shakespeare

Wednesday 26th March

8:30am Morning prayer Harbury
2:00pm Pleasant pastimes Library

Thursday 27th March

8:30am Morning prayer Harbury
10:00am Holy Communion Harbury
7:30pm Homegroup call 613340

Friday 28th March

8:30am Morning prayer Harbury
7:30pm Bellringing Practice Harbury

Saturday 29th March

10:00am Coffee Morning THR
(Galanos House British Legion)

Sunday 30th March—Mothering Sunday

Clocks go forward

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

Churchwardens:

Harbury: Elizabeth McBride Andy Dean

Ladbroke: Peter Rigby Sue Moore

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

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Nora, Karen, Aimee, Barry, Maureen,
Alan, Nathan, Helen, Deanne, Christina,
Bryan, David, Sam, Joy

All those who have lost a loved one.

BIBLE READINGS

Deut 15: 7-11

⁷“If among you, one of your brothers should become poor, in any of your towns within your land that the LORD your God is giving you, you shall not harden your heart or shut your hand against your poor brother, ⁸but you shall open your hand to him and lend him sufficient for his need, whatever it may be. ⁹Take care lest there be an unworthy thought in your heart and you say, ‘The seventh year, the year of release is near,’ and your eye look grudgingly on your poor brother, and you give him nothing, and he cry to the LORD against you, and you be guilty of sin. ¹⁰You shall give to him freely, and your heart shall not be grudging when you give to him, because for this the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake. ¹¹For there will never cease to be poor in the land. Therefore I command you, ‘You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor, in your land.’”

Luke 6:27-36

Love Your Enemies

²⁷“But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. ³¹And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

³²“If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount. ³⁵But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil. ³⁶Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

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.

The Collective 25th March, Science and Spirituality: Do I have to choose?

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.

Deanery Alpha course 30th April-4th June, Wednesday evenings, time TBC. Tom Hauley rooms. Refresher on the basics of the Christian faith, open to all, please contact Rev Andy for more details.

Ladbroke Notices

All Saints, Ladbroke Lent Lunches.

Thursday 3rd April at School House, School Lane 12 noon

Tuesday 8th April 12 noon at Chapel Ascote Farm.

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

REFLECTION FROM THE RECTORY

As I write my reflection this week it is the Spring Equinox, marking a moment of celestial balance, when day and night are nearly equal in length. Today is also the warmest day so far and there is a real sense of spring in the air. In ancient Britain, the equinox marked the beginning of a season filled with new growth and opportunity. Agricultural communities relied on this natural turning point, using it as a signal to begin sowing crops. The Spring Equinox is a time of balance, renewal, and reconnection—with nature, with our own sense of purpose, and with creation. It fits in well with that Lenten theme of evaluating our lives of discipleship and where we are in our relationship with God. In fact the word “Lent” comes from the old English, “lencten,” which means “spring, and refers to the lengthening of the days. At Thursday communion this week we were reflecting on the theme of ‘Gods time’ as Jesus tells his brothers ‘my time has not yet come’. So maybe we all need to reflect on what Gods timing means for us, is there something he has called us to do, somewhere he wants us to be, and is now the right time to follow that call? As the equinox brings a balance to the length of day and night, have we found a balance within ourselves? A way to bring together the various aspects of our lives, our commitments, our relationships, and align them with our journey of faith as we listen to the promptings of the Spirit, and obey his call on our lives.

Prayer

Lord God we thank you for the wonder and beauty of your creation, for the intricate dance of time and season, and we pray that we would be open to your call on our lives and what you have planned for each of us according to your timing. Help us to find and maintain the balance in our lives that we need as we journey with you into the year to come.

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Notice Sheet Sunday 23rd March 2025 Lent 3

Eternal God,
give us insight
to discern your will for us,
to give up what harms us,
and to seek the perfection we are
promised in Jesus Christ our Lord.

THIS WEEKS SERVICES:

9:00am	Holy Communion	Ladbroke
10:00am	APCM	Ladbroke
10:30am	Holy Communion	Harbury
3:30pm	Muddy Church	Harbury
7:00pm	Evening service	THR