

THIS WEEK

Monday 4th August (Vicar's day off)

Tuesday 5th August (Vicar on holiday)

Wednesday 6th August

8:30am Morning Prayer THR

Thursday 7th August

8:30am Morning Prayer THR

10:00am Holy Communion Harbury

Friday 8th August

8:30am Morning Prayer THR

7:30pm Bellringing Practice Harbury

Saturday 9th August

10:00am Coffee Morning THR
(Harbury Library)

Sunday 10th August

9:00am Holy Communion Ladbroke

10:30am Holy Communion Harbury

Churchwardens:

Harbury: Bez Norton 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:

Caroline, Emma, Kay, Margaret, John,
Nora, Karen, Barry, Maureen, Nathan,
Helen, Deanne, Christina, Bryan, David,
Sam, Joy

All those who have lost a loved one.

BIBLE READINGS

Hosea 11.1-11

God's Compassion Despite Israel's Ingratitude

11 When Israel was a child, I loved him,
and out of Egypt I called my son.

2 The more I called them,
the more they went from me;
they kept sacrificing to the Baals,
and offering incense to idols.

3 Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk,
I took them up in my arms;
but they did not know that I healed them.

4 I led them with cords of human kindness,
with bands of love.

I was to them like those
who lift infants to their cheeks.

I bent down to them and fed them.

5 They shall return to the land of Egypt,
and Assyria shall be their king,
because they have refused to return to me.

6 The sword rages in their cities,
it consumes their oracle-priests,
and devours because of their schemes.

7 My people are bent on turning away from me.
To the Most High they call,
but he does not raise them up at all.

8 How can I give you up, Ephraim?
How can I hand you over, O Israel?
How can I make you like Admah?
How can I treat you like Zeboiim?

My heart recoils within me;
my compassion grows warm and tender.

9 I will not execute my fierce anger;
I will not again destroy Ephraim;

for I am God and no mortal,
the Holy One in your midst,

and I will not come in wrath.

10 They shall go after the LORD,
who roars like a lion;
when he roars,
his children shall come trembling from the west.
11 They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt,
and like doves from the land of Assyria;
and I will return them to their homes, says
the LORD.

Luke 12.13-21

The Parable of the Rich Fool

13 Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell
my brother to divide the family inheritance with
me.' **14** But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to
be a judge or arbitrator over you?' **15** And he said to
them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all
kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in
the abundance of possessions.' **16** Then he told
them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced
abundantly. **17** And he thought to himself, "What
should I do, for I have no place to store my
crops?"' **18** Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull
down my barns and build larger ones, and there I
will store all my grain and my goods. **19** And I will
say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up
for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.'" **20** But
God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life
is being demanded of you. And the things you
have prepared, whose will they be?" **21** So it is with
those who store up treasures for themselves but
are not rich towards God.'

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 Wed, Thur & Friday . All welcome.

Thursday Evening House Group is taking a break. We'll recommence on 11th September when we'll start on "Practicing the Way" video-based course. John Eld.

Raising funds for Stone, Sound & AV:-

We have 2 coffee mornings left to run - 23rd & 30th August. Thanks to all those who have signed up to help, make cakes etc The sign up sheets are in church and I would be grateful if we could have some more raffle prizes. Prizes could be left with me anytime - thanks Liz - 612421.

No Mother's Union meeting in August

Email: administrator@allsaintsharbury.org by
Thur pm include messages in the Pew sheet

REFLECTION FROM THE RECTORY

This weeks gospel reading from Luke 12 speaks about our attitude to money and possessions. This isn't Jesus telling us that these things are evil in themselves, but rather about how they can have a hold on us, an obsession which can blind us to the really important things in life. Although we might like to think that we are independent, free-thinking individuals, that we are our own man or woman, in reality we are so often captive to our own desires, to the culture that surrounds us, to the insatiable need for more. Our lives become fixated on what we have, what we think we deserve. In the parable, the rich man could have used some of his wealth to make a real difference to the lives of others, but no – he is completely self obsessed. He thinks only of himself “I will do this,” “I will pull down,” “I will store,” “I will say,” “MY barns, MY grain, MY goods.” As we know all too well the future is always unpredictable – and as the farmer makes his selfish plans, his life comes to an end, all his material wealth left behind for someone else. I wonder how that rich man's community would have remembered him – probably as a bit of a skinflint who hadn't got any time for anyone other than himself. Not much of a legacy, not much of a life. The God who gives and shares so much with us is the God who asks the same of us. And this liberates us from being owned by the things we desire. Instead we are motivated by an open and generous heart that allows us to share what we have, and allows others to share with us.

Prayer

Lord, we know that everything we have comes from You. Give us wisdom in how we deal with what we have, an open and generous heart, and a recognition of how we can use what we have been given to bless others and to build your Kingdom.

HARBURY, LADBROKE, UFTON & CHESTERTON CHURCHES



Notice Sheet Sunday 3rd August 2025 Trinity 7

Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THIS WEEKS SERVICES:

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