

## HARBURY NOTICES

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

**Bible study, Thursday Feb 19<sup>th</sup>, 1:45pm** at 4 The Beeches.

**Church Family Newsletter - Winter 2025/26**

Be sure to pick up a copy of Elaine's latest quarterly newsletter available in Church and on the website with all the latest updates!

**Tom's Teas, Monday 16th Feb, 2:30pm, THR**

Brighten up a dreary afternoon by coming along to Tom's Teas next Monday! Enjoy a free cuppa and home-made cake while catching up with old friends and making new ones. Do invite a friend or neighbour to come along too. If you'd like to come but need transport, please let Elaine or Michael know and we'll do our best to arrange a lift. We look forward to welcoming you warmly.

**Ponder in the Pub, last Tuesday of the month, 7:00pm at The Crown Inn.**

All welcome. Topics for conversation:

- 24th February: So where do we go next?
- 24th March: Is good, good enough?

## LADBROKE NOTICES

**Ash Wednesday service, 7pm 18th February.**

**Evensong, 8th March 6pm** There will not be a 9am service that day.

**Lent Lunches, Thurs 26th February, 12 noon,** Old School, **Thurs 19th March, 12 noon,** Chapel Ascote Farm. Donations to Myton Hospice. All are very welcome.

Email: [administrator@allsaintsharbury.org](mailto:administrator@allsaintsharbury.org) by Thur pm to include messages in the Pew sheet.

## REFLECTION FROM THE RECTORY

This year we have a large number of weddings, both locally and across the Deanery, so this week I thought I would reflect on what the church offers as couples begin a new life together.

In our modern culture, a wedding is often viewed as a "production", a memorable event defined by the dress, the flowers, the reception and the photography. But when a couple chooses to stand at the threshold of a church to exchange their vows, they are stepping into something much older and deeper than a ceremony. They are entering into a Covenant.

A legal marriage is a contract; an agreement based on terms and conditions. But a Christian wedding is instead a covenant. Unlike a contract, which is focused on a 'what's in it for me' mentality, a covenant is a sacrificial promise modelled on God's love for us.

No marriage survives on the will of two people alone. It takes a community around them to hold a couple up when things are difficult, to celebrate with them when things are joyful, and to remind them of the vows they made when the "flowers" of the wedding day have long since faded.

The first miracle Jesus performed was at a wedding in Cana. By turning water into wine, He showed that He cares about our human celebrations and our ordinary joys.

A church wedding invites Jesus into the "wine" of the relationship. It is an acknowledgment that it is God who provides that wine, the supernatural joy and the "peace that passes understanding" that sustains a marriage for a lifetime.

Prayer:

*Lord, we pray for all the couples preparing for their wedding day, that not only would their love for each other grow stronger, but they would become more and more aware of your great love for them.*

## Harbury, Ladbroke, Ufton & Chesterton Churches



### NOTICE SHEET

Sunday 15th February 2026

Sunday before Lent

Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

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

## THIS WEEK

### MONDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY (VICAR'S DAY OFF)

2:30am Tom's Teas THR

### TUESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

8:30am Morning Prayer THR  
7:30pm PCC Meeting Chesterton

### WEDNESDAY 18<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY

8:30am Morning Prayer THR  
2:00pm Connections Cafe THR  
7:00pm Ash Wednesday service Ladbroke

### THURSDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

8:30am Morning Prayer THR  
10:00am Holy Communion Harbury

### FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

8:30am Morning Prayer THR  
7:30pm Bellingring practice Harbury

### SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY

10:00am Coffee morning (Harbury Society) THR

### SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY

9:00am Holy Communion Ladbroke  
10:30am Holy Communion Harbury  
6:30pm Prayer meeting Church  
7:00pm Informal Service THR

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

### CHURCH WARDENS

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### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

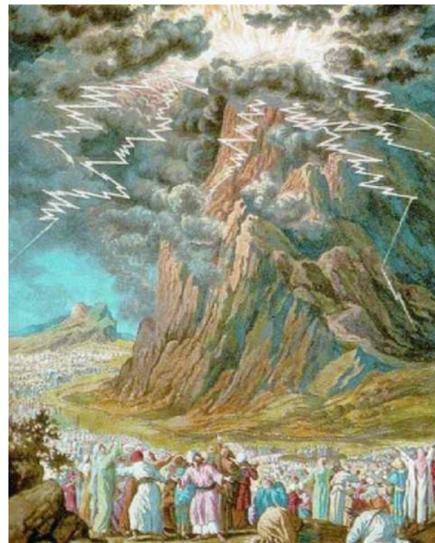
Rosemary, Bruce, David, Caroline, Kay, Nora,  
Karen, Barry, Maureen, Nathan, Christina,  
Bryan, Sam, Joy.  
All those who have lost a loved one.

## BIBLE READINGS

### Exodus 24.12-end

<sup>12</sup> The Lord said to Moses, 'Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.' <sup>13</sup> So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. <sup>14</sup> To the elders he had said, 'Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.'

<sup>15</sup> Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup> The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. <sup>17</sup> Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. <sup>18</sup> Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.



### Matthew 17.1-9

#### The Transfiguration

<sup>17</sup> Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. <sup>2</sup> And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. <sup>3</sup> Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup> Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.'

<sup>5</sup> While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' <sup>6</sup> When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. <sup>7</sup> But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' <sup>8</sup> And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

<sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'