

HARBURY NOTICES

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

Tom's Teas – Monday 16th March, 2.30 pm, THR. We invite you to come along for a free cup of tea, cake, coffee, biscuits and chat.

Bible study, Thursday March 21st, 1.45pm, at 4 The Beeches on Anna- the last of this series on Women of the Nativity.

Ponder in the Pub – Tuesday 24th March, Arrive 6:45 for 7pm, The Crown Inn. This month's topic: 'Is being good, good enough?'

Easter Experience – 29th March–5th April, anytime during church opening hours at Church: Interactive Easter "stations" prepared by Messy Church; all welcome to drop in.

Easter Sunday Volunteers Needed – 10.00–10.30 am at Harbury: Help serving hot drinks; please speak to Julie Batchelor, Ann Clucas or Bez Norton.

Easter Egg Donations – Please bring small wrapped Easter eggs for after the Worship for Everyone Service; give to Andy or Julie Batchelor.

LADBROKE NOTICES

Lent lunch Thursday 19th March at Chapel Ascote Farm 12 noon. All donations to Myton Hospice. All welcome.

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

REFLECTION FROM THE RECTORY

We have arrived at the mid-point of our Lenten journey. Just like Gaudete Sunday in Advent, this Sunday or Laetare (Let-tar-ree) Sunday is the Latin word for rejoice. We are reminded that our faith is not just about endurance; it is about refreshment and nurture. In the UK, this date holds double significance as it is also Mothering Sunday. Today, we are reminded of the nurturing, protective, and relentless love of God. Scripture often uses maternal imagery to describe the Creator - like a hen gathering her chicks under her wings or a woman who cannot forget the child she has nursed. Maybe this week we can reflect on how we have experienced the mothering love of God. Perhaps we have felt "held" when the world felt like a wilderness? Also how are we being invited to nurture others, as we continue our journey through Lent. However we must also acknowledge that Mothering Sunday can be a day of mixed emotions. For some, it is a day of joy; for others, it is a day of mourning, or a reminder of unfulfilled longing. The Church's tradition of Mothering is wide enough to include everyone. We celebrate not just biological mothers, but all who have taken on that role both in human and spiritual terms. It is a day to celebrate Nurturing in all its forms. Because it is Mothering Sunday, the austerity of Lent is softened by the celebration of care and relationship. It is a reminder that we don't have to choose between the solemnity of the cross and the joy of community. We can recognise both.

Prayer

Creator God, we thank you for your love which shapes us and helps us to grow. On this Mothering Sunday we give thanks for women who have been examples of self-giving love, who have given time, wisdom and care to the nurture of children, their own or others. We pray for those who find this a difficult day, who do not have happy memories of their own mothers, those who grieve for their mothers or for their children, and those who long to be mothers but cannot be. May your Spirit continue to shape us, heal us, and guide us today.

Harbury, Ladbroke, Ufton & Chesterton Churches



NOTICE SHEET

Sunday 15th March 2026

Mothering Sunday

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end:
bring us with the whole creation
to your glory, hidden through past ages
and made known in Jesus Christ our
Lord.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

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

THIS WEEK

MONDAY 16TH MARCH (VICAR'S DAY OFF)

2:30am Tom's Teas THR

TUESDAY 17TH MARCH

8:30am Morning Prayer THR

WEDNESDAY 18TH MARCH

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

THURSDAY 19TH MARCH

8:30am Morning Prayer THR
10:00am Holy Communion Harbury
2:00pm Funeral D.Woodruff Harbury

FRIDAY 20TH MARCH

8:30am Morning Prayer THR
7:30pm Bellringing practice Harbury
7:00pm Lent Course THR

SATURDAY 21ST MARCH

10:00am Coffee morning THR
(Harbury Heritage Group)

SUNDAY 22ND MARCH

9:00am Holy Communion Ladbroke
10:30am Holy Communion Harbury
6:30pm Prayer meeting Harbury
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

Harbury: Bez Norton & Andy Dean
Ladbroke: Susan Moore & Peter Rigby

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

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

BIBLE READINGS

Exodus 2.1-10

Birth and Youth of Moses

2 Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. 2 The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. 3 When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. 4 His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

5 The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. 6 When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. 7 Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' 8 Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. 9 Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. 10 When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

John 19.25-27

25 And that is what the soldiers did.

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. 26 When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' 27 Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

