

HARBURY NOTICES

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

Notices from the Church wardens

Many thanks to Carol Jackson for the creative and beautiful green frontal, featuring a cross, which is a wonderful new addition to our church. Fellowship Meal Sunday 18th October – THR. We look forward to spending time together over a light lunch. Further details to follow.

If you want to be prayed for or there is an urgent need, please email warden@allsaintsharbury.org

People's Emergency Briefing – Film Screening

Wednesday 26th August, 7:00pm – Harbury Village Hall Harbury Parish Council and Harbury Future Energy are hosting a free local screening of the People's Emergency Briefing, exploring the impact of the climate and nature crisis on everyday life in Britain. The film brings together leading UK experts in climate science, food security, health, economics, national security and nature. The screening will be followed by a discussion. The initiative is non-partisan and is supported by a wide range of organisations, including the Church of England. Booking is required: peb-harbury.pages.dev any booking issues contact Bob Sherman.

LADBROKE NOTICES

Living Water – Prayer Space

The prayer table has been refreshed with a new theme, Living Water. Do come along and enjoy this peaceful, cool space, with an opportunity to pause, reflect and pray.

Thank you to Sue Wright for creating this beautiful prayer space.

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

REFLECTION FROM THE RECTORY

As we reach the final weeks of August, there is that usual change in the air. Long awaited rain is on the way. The long, unstructured days of the summer holidays are beginning to give way to the reality of September. Uniforms are being acquired, new diaries are being opened, and the quiet rhythm of autumn is waiting just around the corner. In this Sunday's Gospel reading Jesus takes His disciples away from the busy crowds to the rocky region of Caesarea Philippi. There, he asks them that simple but profound question: "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" The disciples offer their survey of public opinion: some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, others Jeremiah. It is a comfortable, academic discussion. But then, Jesus looks directly at them and changes the atmosphere completely with one intensely personal question: "But what about you? Who do you say I am?" It is the most important question in the entire Bible, and it is the same question Jesus asks every one of us today. It is very easy to live a "second-hand" faith. We can easily rely on the beliefs of our parents, and the traditions of our church. But eventually, the conversation becomes personal. Jesus doesn't want a survey of public opinion; He wants our commitment, our loyalty, our love. As we prepare to transition out of summer and step into the busy, demanding months ahead, we are invited to pause and answer Jesus' question for ourselves. Is He a distant historical figure, a comforting tradition, or is He the living God, the one who is the solid rock beneath our feet?

A Prayer for the Week:

Lord Jesus, In a world of shifting opinions and changing seasons, You remain the same. Give us the courage of Peter to confess You as our Lord and Saviour. Help us to know You personally, and to build our lives upon the solid rock of Your love.

Harbury, Ladbroke & Chesterton Churches



NOTICE SHEET

Sunday 23rd August 2026

Trinity 12

God of constant mercy,
who sent your Son to save us:
remind us of your goodness,
increase your grace within us,
that our thankfulness may grow,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

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

THIS WEEK

MONDAY 24th AUGUST (VICAR'S DAY OFF)

Bartholomew the Apostle

TUESDAY 25th AUGUST

WEDNESDAY 26th AUGUST

8:30am Morning Prayer THR

THURSDAY 27th AUGUST

10:00am Holy Communion THR

FRIDAY 28th AUGUST

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

SATURDAY 29th AUGUST

10:00am Coffee morning (SSV) THR

SUNDAY 30th AUGUST

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

Exodus 1:8-2:10

The Israelites Are Oppressed

⁸ Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. ⁹ He said to his people, 'Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. ¹⁰ Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.' ¹¹ Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labour. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. ¹² But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. ¹³ The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, ¹⁴ and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labour. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them. ¹⁵ The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, ¹⁶ 'When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.' ¹⁷ But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. ¹⁸ So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, 'Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?' ¹⁹ The midwives said to Pharaoh, 'Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.' ²⁰ So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. ²¹ And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. ²² Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, 'Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live.' ¹ 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

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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.'

Matthew 16:13-20

Peter's Declaration about Jesus

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' ¹⁴ And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' ¹⁵ He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' ¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' ²⁰ Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Any safeguarding concerns
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REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Alison, Ann, Robert, Rosemary, Bruce, David,
Caroline, Kay, Bryan, Joy. All those who have
lost a loved one.