

Holy Cross Church Pew Notes September 2015

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Holy Cross Church:

'Creating opportunities for everyone to experience God's love'

one of the Upper Thames Group of Parishes



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Weddings & baptisms

Details are on our website (above).

You can book on Saturdays 9.30–10.30 Parish Office, in the JENNER HALL.

Baptisms at Holy Cross Our booklet and booking form is on the website. Contact Rev Shirley or Pauline Loveday for further details.

A prayer for ourselves

Dear Lord, three things I pray
to know thee more clearly, love thee more dearly,
follow thee more nearly, day by day, Amen.

Services and Dates at a glance

Sun Aug 30th

10 am Upper Thames Churches service at **All Saints Church the Leigh**

Sun Sept 6th

8 am BCP Communion

10 am Family Service

6.30 pm “Something Different” in Jenner hall Cricklade. Informal worship for 10s & over.

Sun Sept 13th

10 am Upper Thames Group service at St Sampson's Cricklade

4pm Informal Worship in St Sampson's Junior School + Vibe and Sclub

6.30 pm Evening service at Holy Cross.

5.30 pm Harvest Celebration and Harvest Supper at Leigh Church

Sunday Sept 20th

10 am Morning Prayer

4 pm AK Messy Church in the school hall.

4 pm Informal Worship in St Sampson's School with Vibe & S club

Sunday Sept 27th

10 am Holy Communion

Sun Oct 4th

8 am BCP communion

11 am (note later time) **Harvest Festival** “I am the bread of life”

12.30pm **Harvest Lunch** in the school hall.

6.30 pm “Something different” Jenner Hall Cricklade

Sun Oct 11th

10 am Upper Thames communion service in St Sampson's

4 pm Informal Worship in St Sampson's school hall + Vibe & S club

6.30 pm Evening Service in Holy Cross

Sun Oct 18th

10 am Morning Prayer

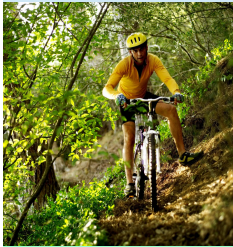
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Tues Oct 20th Henry Olonga visits St Sampson's Home Communion at Joan Ashcroft's home at 11 am on Thursday Sept 3rd & Thurs Oct 1st

Who is Jesus?

That's a really big question with interesting answers! Jesus said "I am..... the good shepherd, the light of the world, the vine, the light of the world and more. We're going to explore who Jesus is in our sermons and talks during Sept & Oct, based on the "I am" sayings from John's Gospel. Do come along.



Ride and Stride. Sat Sept 12th

Encourage people to sponsor you to cycle, walk, jog, horse-ride around Wiltshire's churches and chapels in aid of Holy Cross Church and Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust.

If you can be in church to welcome visitors, or you'll have a go at "riding or striding" in aid of Holy Cross please let us know.

All Saints, Leigh – Harvest Celebration & Supper Sunday 13 September

Harvest Celebration 5:30pm followed by Harvest Supper at 6.30pm

£6 Adults £3 Children (6–13), Age 5 and under free. Please bring your own drinks. Tickets available from: Ian Wharton 01285 861268, Ann Freeth 01285861320, Suzi Tipper 01793 750778 All are welcome.

Ashton Keynes Harvest Festival Celebration

Sunday 4th October 11am at Holy Cross. Harvest gifts of tins and packets of food or toiletries are welcome and will be taken to Swindon Foodbank.

Harvest Festival Lunch

follows at about 12.30pm in the school hall. Always delicious & 2 course £8 Adults. £4 Children (6–13), £20 family ticket, Under 5s free. Activities for the children. Please bring your own drinks and glasses. All profits from the lunch will go to Swindon Foodbank, helping those in need locally. Tickets from Linda Tuck 01285 861466 or Jenny Tidmarsh 01285 861237

Would you like to be confirmed?

The Deanery Confirmation is Tuesday November 3rd in Malmesbury Abbey and is for anyone. Please let Revd Shirley know if you are interested.

MESSY CHURCH "Who is Jesus?"

with our values of hospitality, creativity and celebration, all are welcome for song, activities, tea, celebrating Jesus
Sunday September 20th
in the school hall 4pm – 5.20 pm

Holy Cross in the next year.

Please pray that Holy Cross community will be empowered to "create opportunities for everyone to experience God's love" and that we will obey God's calling to be outward, forward looking and a growing community that is

- ♦ better connected to God,
- ♦ better connected to our communities
- ♦ better connected to each other

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Henry Olonga, Tues 20th October 2015 7:30pm
St Sampson's Church. Zimbabwe Test Cricketer, **Henry Olonga**, is coming to share his inspirational story, including death threats & the reason his Christian faith has been important. Open to all. Refreshments afterwards. Please bring a friend or 2 (or more). Phil Bradley has tickets for you to give to friends,

Sunday 15th November 2015 6:30pm Agape Meal in Cricklade's Jenner Hall, led by John Martin. A chance to participate in a recreation of the Jewish Agape meal that Jesus shared as the Last Supper. Places limited so book with Phil Bradley ASAP.

Saturday 28th November 2015 Advent Quiet Morning in Holy Cross church – details to follow next month.

Saturday 21st May 2016 Upper Thames Group Awayday – following the success of this year, we have booked Harnhill Centre again for Sat 21st May 2016.

A prayer for our church

"O God, make the door of this house wide enough to receive all who need human love and fellowship; narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride and strife.

Make its threshold smooth enough to be no stumbling block to children, nor to straying feet, but rugged and strong enough to turn back the tempter's power. God, make the doorway of this house the gateway to thy divine kingdom. Amen"