

Holy Cross Church Pew Notes January - March 2016

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Holy Cross Church



one of the Upper Thames Group of Parishes

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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.

STOP PRESS URGENT REQUEST FOR HELP

The tower roof is leaking badly. We urgently need to make applications for grants to support upkeep of the building. We need 2 or 3 people to help with administration and in completing forms Could you be one? Please contact Rev Shirley if you could help.

Services and Dates at a glance

Sun Jan 17th

10 am Morning Worship
4 pm Messy Church in the school hall
Bible Superhero 'Daniel'

Sun Jan 24th

10 am Holy Communion
4 pm Informal worship in Cricklade St Sampson's school hall

Sun Jan 31st

10 am Holy Communion at Latton
4 pm Informal Worship in Cricklade

Sun Feb 7th

8 am BCP communion
10 am Family Service 'Crossing the Red Sea'
6.30 pm "Something different" in Cricklade Jenner Hall

Ash Wednesday Feb 10th

10 am Holy Communion at St Sampson's (Heberden House)

Sun Feb 14th

10 am Upper Thames worship in St Sampson's
4 pm Evening Service in Holy Cross
4 pm Informal Worship for families in Cricklade St Sampson's School

Sun Feb 21st

10 am Morning Worship
4 pm Messy Church in the school hall

Sun Feb 28th

10 am Holy Communion
4 pm Informal Worship in St Sampson's school hall

Sun March 6th Mothering Sunday

8 am BCP Communion
tba Family Service celebrating all who care for us.
6.30 pm Something Different Cricklade Jenner Hall

Sun March 13th

10 am Upper Thames communion service at St Sampson's
4pm Evening Service at Holy Cross
4 pm Informal Worship in Cricklade

Sun Mar 20th Palm Sunday

10 am Palm Sunday Morning Worship
4pm Messy Easter in the school hall

Sun Mar 27th Easter Sunday

8 am? Holy Communion
10 am Easter Family Service & Communion

Midweek Communions at Joan Ashcroft's home, 11 am Thurs Feb 4th & Thurs March 3rd

Holy Cross Christmas Bazaar raised about £1600
THANKYOU to the large team who helped prepare and
make items for stalls, and to all who were there on
the day manning stalls or spending money!
Another **THANKYOU** to **EVERYONE** who helped
decorate the church, helped prepare for our many
Christmas events and services, or who were on hand
to welcome those who came through our church
doors. Thankyou to you all, for serving Jesus in this
way. *Rev Shirley*



Ashton Keynes MESSY CHURCH

4 pm in the school hall each month.

Bible Superheroes will be our theme

Jan 17th Daniel and the Lions

Feb 21st Another Bible hero

March 20th Jesus & Easter

Ladies, can you help?

**Bravissimo (the bra company) are collecting
'loved' (ie used) bras to send to Africa.**

In some communities in Africa, if a woman wears a
bra she has status and is less likely to get mugged or
abused. One of our Open the Book Team Mel Tim is
collecting in order to support this.

Ladies, if you are sorting out your 'bra drawer' & are
happy to donate your 'loved bras', please pop them
in the box in church & we can pass them on.

Making Mothering Sunday Posies 8.30am - 10 am

**Saturday March 5th at Alison Beadle's, Melton
Lodge Back St. All are welcome, children too.**

Lent Talks 2016

This year we have another fantastic group of Lent
Talk speakers coming to speak at Prior Park School
(7.30 for 7.45 pm) in Cricklade. Flyers in church;
please invite others and let us know you would like a
lift. Tickets FREE but needed so we know numbers.

Friday 26 February – Sound of Wales

Thursday 3 March – Major Gen (Rtd) Tim Cross CBE

Thursday 10 March – Ann Widdecombe DSG

Tuesday 15 March – Gary Grant, CEO of The
Entertainer toy shops

Friday 18 March – Ann Atkins *(NB in St Sampson's
Church, Cricklade)*

Thursday 24 March – Sir Matt Baggott, CBE, QPM
Former Chief Constable of Northern Ireland

ALPHA starts Jan 17th on Sunday evenings 8 pm

at The Vicarage Bath Rd Cricklade.

It's a great chance to ask & explore more about our
faith– why not come along?

Sermon series on Moses

We will be exploring the life and faith of Moses in our
sermons. He's an inspiring example of someone who
lived by his faith and learnt to trust God. We do hope
you will come along whenever you can, and if you
can't, you can listen to or read our sermon on the
Upper Thames Website.

17th Jan Exodus 3 Burning Bush + Luke 5:1-11. God's
Call.

24th Jan Moses & the Plagues + Luke 4:14-21. God's
justice.

31st Jan Passover + Luke 22:7-20. Passover &
Remembering

7th Feb Exodus 14 Crossing the Red Sea + Luke
12:22-31. Worry and Fear

14th Feb Exodus 16/17 Bread from heaven, water
from the rock + Luke 11:9-13. God's provision

21st Feb Exodus 18:13 Jethro's Leadership + Luke
10:1-12. Shared Leadership

28th Feb Exodus 20. Ten Commandments + Luke
18:18-30. Applying in our lives.

6th March Mothering Sunday. Ex 2 Moses in the
Bulrushes. A Mother's love.

13th March. Exodus 19-24 Sinai Covenant, + Hebrews
8:10 + Luke 22:20 God's promises to us & our
response.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT a pastoral care idea.

We're looking for volunteers who will cook and then
freeze a dish (eg shepherds pie, lasagne, chicken
dish) or a cake. When we hear of a person or family
suffering bereavement, illness or a tough time or a
family has a new baby, one of the volunteers will be
asked to take their dish to the family or person.
There will be a card or label for the dish & Jayne
Hughes will co ordinate. Please let Jayne or Rev
Shirley or Alison Beadle know if you would be happy
to be one of the volunteers.

Saturday 21st May 2016 Away Day

at Harnhill Christian Centre

(between Cirencester and Cricklade) **10 am to 5 pm**
with speaker Rev John McGinley, vicar of Holy Trinity,
Leicester,. An inspirational speaker he is the Midlands
Regional Director for the New Wine Movement.

**More details of events in Holy Week and Easter will
be in our Easter – Trinity pew notes.**