



2023 Year of the Old Testament



Proclaiming the
Mystery of Faith 2023-2025

Newsletter

Sundays 30th July and 6th August 2023

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH!

Services



Sunday 30th July Parish Together Sunday	Sunday 6th August
8am Quiet Communion at St Mary's	8am Quiet Communion at Holy Trinity
10am Sung Holy Communion* (and children and youth groups)	10am Sung Holy Communion* (with informal children's activities)
6pm Healing Service at Holy Trinity	
Midweek Service Wednesday 2nd August	Midweek Service Wednesday 9th August
10.30am St Mary's	10.30am St Leonard's

* This service will be live streamed

The coffee morning is taking a break in August but will return as usual on 21st September at 10.30am in the Barn with a ready welcome for everyone.



Notices

During 2023 St. Mary's has identified a number of **Mission Partners** that we are supporting in different ways. Some of these Partners we focus on at key events during the year. At Harvest this year, for instance, we will be linking up with Engineering Ministries International and Family Support Work. Other Mission Projects we suggest you might consider personally supporting. One of these is **Compassion**. '**Compassion**' is an organisation that seeks to support children and empower them to overcome poverty. You give support through sponsoring a child for around £30 per month.

To find out more, please speak to Christine Hammant or visit their website - <https://www.compassionuk.org/>

Come and join us on **Sunday 13th August** between **12pm and 3pm** for a **Summer Social** in the St Mary's Vicarage Garden (or St Mary's Church if the British Summer doesn't co-operate!).

A pizza van will be providing delicious hot food, please do bring along a chair or rug to sit on. If you feel able, we would be very grateful for a donation of £9 per adult /£5 per child, to help cover the cost of the catering. Please don't worry if you are not able to donate at this time though, please do still come, all are very welcome! To book please use the link below:



[Horsham Parish Summer Social \(13-Aug-2023\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

For more information please get in touch with the Parish Office on 01403 253762 or office@horshamstmarys.org.uk. We look forward to seeing you, come rain or shine, on Sunday 13th August!

Safeguarding is everyone's business. Following on from Lisa's sermon last Sunday, on Matthew Chapter 13 'the Parable of the Weeds' in relation to safeguarding, if you have been asked to renew your Safeguarding training (which lasts for 3 years) please do complete this without delay. Otherwise, if you are interested in undertaking Safeguarding training, please contact the Safeguarding training officer, Katherine Potter by email: safeguardingtraining@horshamstmarys.org.uk or by phoning the Church office. For any Safeguarding questions or concerns, please speak to someone in church who is wearing a blue lanyard. They will direct you to the most appropriate person. A hard copy of the Parish Safeguarding Handbook is kept near the Welcomers' desk at the back of the church for information.

Across the Parish

We will be offering '**Wonderful Wednesdays**' summer holiday activities for children on Wednesday mornings throughout August. On the **2nd** and **23rd August**, we will be running an arts and crafts morning for children of all ages to enjoy together with their parents or carers. Then on the **9th** and **30th August** will be running drama mornings suitable for children aged 6 and above (adults do not need to stay at these sessions, but are invited back a bit before the end to enjoy the performance!) Spaces are limited so pre-booking is essential, please use the links below or go to the 'What's On' page on the St Mary's Church website to book in. Each session is £2 per child and will take place at the Barn.

['Wonderful Wednesdays' Arts & Crafts Morning for Families at St Mary's \(02-Aug-2023\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

['Wonderful Wednesdays' Drama Morning for Children at St Mary's \(09-Aug-2023\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

['Wonderful Wednesdays' Arts & Crafts Morning for Families at St Mary's \(23-Aug-2023\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

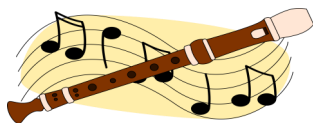
['Wonderful Wednesdays' Drama Morning for Children at St Mary's \(30-Aug-2023\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

Live Music in Horsham Autumn 2023 – Horsham Music Circle are pleased to present their Autumn concerts beginning with a performance by Sheku Kanneh-Mason (cello) and Plinio Fernandes (guitar) in St Mary's Church at 7pm on **Thursday 28th September**.

On **Saturday 21st October** 'Musique de Chambre' will take place at 7pm in the Barn featuring Luca Imperiale (recorder), Ozgur Kaya (viola) and Apolline Khou (harpsichord).

Finally, on **Saturday 25th November** Harry the Piano will perform at 7pm in St Mary's Church.

Phone 01403 252602 or email horshammusiccircle@gmail.com for advance booking details. Alternatively, tickets can be purchased online from 18th July at www.wegotickets.com/HorshamMusicCircle.



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In Your Prayers



We pray for those from our own church family who are unwell, and among them: Sheila, Clive, Stuart, Lawrence, Jenny, Gillian, Stef, Jane, Kathleen, Rachel, Christine, Sue, Helen, Valentina, Lilia, Lyudmila and baby Tala. We remember before God those who have died and pray for their families.

Lord Jesus, hear our voices as we pray for your care and protection. Strengthen and guide us as we strive to make our communities a safe place for all. We especially ask that the children and vulnerable adults you entrust to our care are protected. Give us the wisdom and courage to listen with open hearts, see with open eyes, and speak out to ensure children and vulnerable adults are safe, loved, respected, and cared for. May we also pray for those who have been harmed. Give them the courage to seek the truth and to heal. Lord, you call us to walk with integrity in the service of others. May we all strive to understand our collective responsibility to work together to safeguard our communities. Guide us as we build a community that fosters everyone to flourish and be safe. We ask this through Christ, our Lord, Amen.