



2023 Year of the Old Testament



Proclaiming the
Mystery of Faith 2023-2025

Newsletter

Sundays 13th August and 20th August 2023

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH!

Services



Sunday 13th August	Sunday 20th August
8am Quiet Communion at St Mary's	8am Quiet Communion at Holy Trinity
10am Sung Holy Communion* (and children and youth groups) <i>followed by the Parish Summer Social between 12pm and 3pm</i>	10am Sung Holy Communion* (and children and youth groups)
Midweek Service Wednesday 16th August	Midweek Service Wednesday 23rd August
10.30am St Leonard's	10.30am Holy Trinity

* This service will be live streamed

PARKING IN SCHOOL DRIVEWAY We have been asked from now on not to park on the driveway/pathway to **St Mary's School**. This has to be kept clear at all times for access if needed by emergency vehicles and is an insurance requirement. This applies to any day of the week, including attending church services. Any queries please address them to the church wardens.



Notices



Tony and Beryl Hoadley are celebrating their platinum wedding anniversary (70 years) on August 19th. We send them all our love and best wishes.

Becky Hawkins is walking the **100km Thames Path Challenge** on **9-10th September** (60 miles overnight), raising funds for the work of **IMPACT Bangladesh**. Some of you heard about their work at Parish Prayers in June and St. Mary's have supported the work of IMPACT before, whose aim is to prevent needless disability in the poorest communities in the world. You can find out more, including her visit to see the life changing work, and how to give at www.justgiving.com/Rebecca-Hawkins23



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/>



We all care about the planet and are working towards becoming an **ECO church** at St Mary's. So, **PLEASE** can you help by bringing in your own recyclable cup for your tea or coffee after the service.

Across the Parish

Come along and enjoy an evening of **Swinging Jazz with Andy Walker and Friends** on **Saturday 7th October** at 7pm in St. Leonard's Church Hall. Tickets are £20 (£19 if bought during August) and include a Fish and Chip supper. There will be a licenced bar with beer and wine. Money raised will be going to the St. Mary's Church South Aisle Project. Click on this link to buy your tickets:

<https://horshamteamparish.churchsuite.com/events/rpp7zky8>

We are offering two more '**Wonderful Wednesdays**' summer holiday activities for children. On the **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 **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 \(23-Aug-2023\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

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

Many of the residents at Cisswood enjoy **chess** and when a set was donated recently, there were many interested players. If you have any spare **chess sets** that you no longer need, please consider donating them by placing them at the back of church adjacent to the Welcome Desk. They will be very gratefully received!

Horsham Mothers' Union branch will be holding its annual **Garden Party** in the garden of Holy Trinity Church on **Wednesday 23rd August** from 2.00pm to 4.00pm and would like to extend an invitation to anyone who would like to join us. Afternoon tea and raffle and bring and buy sale. We are raising funds for our **Summer of Hope** project, helping to transform lives around the world and also in the UK. Please email Win Fruin (win.fruin@gmail.com) or call on 07810 303838. Adults £3, children £1.50.

Sheku Kanneh-Mason (Cello) and **Plinio Fernanandes** (Guitar) are performing in a concert in St. Mary's Church on Thursday 28th September at 7pm. The star cellist Sheku is a household name whose career and performances span the globe. Virtuoso guitarist Plinio has recently signed to Decca Gold Records. They collaborate in a programme of solos and duos from Bach to Brouwer and Villa-Lobos. The Concert is raising funds for the **Loiyangalani Trust** (our Mission Partner in 2020) and our **South Aisle Project at St. Mary's**. Tickets can be bought on-line from:

<https://www.wegotickets.com/HorshamMusicCircle>

More details can be found at:

<https://www.horsham-music-circle.org.uk/what-s-on>



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In Your Prayers



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

A prayer for all those awaiting exam results:

*Jesus, Keep reminding me of the bigger picture over the next few weeks,
Keep me in your hands when all other hands disappear,*

*For I am convinced that neither entry requirements nor exam results,
neither anticipation nor doubts, neither success nor failure, nor any expectations,
neither last minute fears nor anxieties, nor anything else in life, will
be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Please, don't let me forget it! Amen