

NOTICES

Sunday 7th September

10.30 Yatesbury: Benefice Communion

Monday 8 th September	10.00 Heddington Coffee Morning
Tuesday 9 th September	9.15 Little Fishes
Wednesday 10 th September	1.30pm Home Group at the Rectory
Saturday 13 th September	Ride and Stride
Sunday 14 th September	9.45 Calstone: Holy Communion 6.00pm Cherhill: Informal Evening Worship 11.15 Compton Bassett: Morning Worship 11.15 Heddington: Morning Worship

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You will find contact details for the churchwardens in the Villages magazine.

If you need help with safeguarding issues, please contact the Safeguarding Officer on 07864 000906

7th September Twelfth Sunday after Trinity Deuteronomy 30.15-20 Luke 14.25-33



Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray
and to give more than either we desire or deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is
afraid

and giving us those good things
which we are not worthy to ask
but through the merits and mediation
of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion Prayer

God of all mercy,
in this eucharist you have set aside our sins
and given us your healing:
grant that we who are made whole in Christ
may bring that healing to this broken world,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Next week:
Holy Cross**

**Philippians 2.6-11
John 3.13-17**

Welcome

We hope you feel welcome at our church and find it a place where you can meet with God. If you are unsure about anything, please ask the person who gave you this sheet.

We love children and we understand they will make some noise; don't worry about it! However, if you feel your youngest ones would benefit from playing quietly in a corner, do ask the people who welcomed you and they can point you in a suitable direction. We may even have the odd book or toy for them to play with.

A loop system may be provided in this church. Please ask or check by switching your hearing aid to the "T" position.

PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME WITH YOU

Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 30.15-20

See, I set before you today life and prosperity, death and destruction. For I command you today to love the LORD your God, to walk in obedience to him, and to keep his commands, decrees and laws; then you will live and increase, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land you are entering to possess.

But if your heart turns away and you are not obedient, and if you are drawn away to bow down to other gods and worship them, I declare to you this day that you will certainly be destroyed. You will not live long in the land you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess.

This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live and that you may love the LORD your God, listen to his voice, and hold fast to him. For the LORD is your life, and he will give you many years in the land he swore to give to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Gospel Reading: Luke 14.25-33

Large crowds were travelling with Jesus, and turning to them he said: 'If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters – yes, even their own life – such a person cannot be my disciple. And whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

'Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won't you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it? For if you lay the foundation and are not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule you, saying, "This person began to build and wasn't able to finish."

'Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Won't he first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand? If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples.

Ride and Stride 2025

This year's event takes place on Saturday 13th September.

Do consider visiting some of the churches in our diocese and beyond. The main purpose is to walk, cycle or ride (a horse) from church to church, raising money for your own church and for the Wiltshire Historic Churches trust, so do consider being sponsored or sponsoring someone else. However, it is a good opportunity to visit some of the churches around us, knowing they will be open, and there is no reason why you cannot drive over to look at them. All our churches will be open, and there is also the opportunity to greet those visiting your church if you wish. Details from Matt or your church warden.

Heddington Faculty Granted

Heddington PCC's faculty request to build a toilet and a kitchenette has finally been approved. Please pray for the PCC as they look into choosing the right contractor and raising the rest of the money needed.

Back to School

Many of the young people in our villages went back to school last week and others begin tomorrow. Do pray for them, their families, and the teachers as they start the new year. Pray especially for those going to school for the first time, or moving up to big school. And don't forget the older teenagers who finished school this summer and are moving on to the next phase of their lives.

Heddington Harvest Lunch & Calstone Harvest Supper

Heddington Harvest Lunch will be held on Sunday 28th September at 12.30 in the village Hall. Please contact Rosalie on 01380 859186 to book a seat.

Calstone Harvest Supper will be held on Friday 26th September at The Malt House. To book places please contact Oliver Steel on 07798 827139 or oliversteel@btinternet.com.

Little Fishes resumes on 9th September @ 9.15 at Benson Hall, Compton Bassett.

Home Group at the Rectory starts again at 1.30pm on Wednesday 10th September.

Bible Study Group has started up again after the summer, the next meeting will be on 18th September at 7.15pm.