

St Leonard's Church Newsletter

June/July 2019



Our vision for St Leonard's:
***"To be a Christian presence in the community,
embodying God's love in all we say and do."***

The Easter season draws to a close with the celebration of Pentecost on 9th June. This is sometimes called 'the birthday of the Church' because that was when, filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus' disciples started to go out and tell people the good news about Jesus' death and resurrection, the good news that God loves us and welcomes us to share in his eternal life. This same Holy Spirit is at work in the world today, through all who are open to its prompting.

The following week, 16th June, we celebrate Trinity Sunday, when we give thanks for God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Rather appropriately, it's also Father's Day, when we give thanks for our parents, and a day to give thanks for God, our parent, our Father and Mother.

The Trinity is a really difficult concept and there are several theories trying to make sense of it. One way I think of the Trinity is to see it as a divine, perfect, community, a community on which we try to model our own communities, working together in love. Being human, our communities don't always meet this ideal, but we should try as best we can, and know that when we fall short, we can turn back to God and start again. This is the promise of Easter.

We have a lot to give thanks for. And, as I write, the work on the new toilet and kitchen is almost complete, and so we give thanks for that. Bishop Colin will be coming to church on Sunday 4th August, to lead the 10am service and bless the new facilities. We'll share food and drink afterwards. And on Saturday 31st August, the Gospel Bell Collective will be coming to help us celebrate with music and dance. Two dates for your diaries!

Sue Burchell
Vicar

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A prayer group meets in church every Monday afternoon at 2pm. Choir practice is usually every Tuesday at 7.30pm.

Church Hall Bookings:

Please call 07856 278797 or email saintleonardsbanbury@gmail.com or call into church any Saturday morning between 10.30 and 11.30

Week of Prayer at Salvation Army, George Street, Banbury, 3rd to 8th June, 8am to 10pm daily. Prayer stations based on the story of Nehemiah. Drop in any time during opening hours. All ages welcome.

The deadline for the August newsletter is 20th July. Please send any items to Revd Sue.

What's On: June

(here at St Leonard's unless otherwise specified)

- Sat 1 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee
11am **Explore Together:** Bible study
- Sun 2 10am Eucharist
- Mon 3 Week of Prayer begins at **Salvation Army**
11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
- Tue 4 10am Art Group
- Wed 5 10am Eucharist
- Sat 8 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee
11am **Play Together:** board games
Week of Prayer ends at **Salvation Army**
- Sun 9 **Pentecost** 10am Eucharist
4pm *Seeking the Spirit* service
- Mon 10 11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
- Tue 11 10am Art Group
- Wed 12 10am Eucharist
- Sat 15 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee
11am **Create Together:** craft activities
- Sun 16 **Trinity Sunday** 10am Eucharist
- Mon 17 11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
- Tue 18 10am Art Group
12.45pm Meeting with the ladies from the Sunrise Multicultural Project
- Wed 19 10am Eucharist
- Sat 22 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee
11am **Jigsaw Together**
- Sun 23 10am Eucharist
4pm *Spiritual but not Religious* service
- Mon 24 11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
- Tue 25 10am Art Group
- Wed 26 10am Eucharist
- Fri 28 **St Leonard's School** Summer Fete
- Sat 29 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee
2pm **Summer Fete** (see below)
- Sun 30 10am Eucharist

Summer Fete Saturday 29th June 2pm to 4pm. For more information or to book a table, please contact Alison on 07476 787348

What's On: July

Mon 1	11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
Tue 2	10am Art Group
Wed 3	10am Eucharist 6.30pm Grimsbury Community Association meeting in the Community Hall
Thu 4	Deanery Quiet Day at Tadmarton (see right)
Sat 6	10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee 11am Explore Together: Bible study
Sun 7	10am Eucharist
Mon 8	11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
Tue 9	10am Art Group
Wed 10	10am Eucharist
Sat 13	10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee 11am Play Together: board games
Sun 14	10am Eucharist 4pm <i>Seeking the Spirit</i> service
Mon 15	11.30am Lenny's Monday Club 12.30pm Banbury Christians Together meeting
Tue 16	10am Art Group
Wed 17	10am Eucharist
Sat 20	10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee 11am Create Together: craft activities
Sun 21	10am Eucharist
Mon 22	11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
Tue 23	12.45pm meeting with the ladies at the Sunrise Multicultural Project
Wed 24	10am Eucharist
Sat 27	10am Morning Prayer 10.30am Coffee 11am Jigsaw Together
Sun 28	10am Eucharist 4pm <i>Spiritual but not Religious</i> service
Mon 29	11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
Wed 31	10am Eucharist

Deanery Quiet Day

Thursday July 4th 2019

10am to 4pm

Tadmarton

in a beautiful house &
garden

Nick Gallant

of

Pelagos Spirituality &
Retreat Centre

Will help us find peace, calm,
stillness, reflection, prayer, and
encounter with God.

Coffee, Lunch, Tea provided.

No charge but realistic donations
encouraged to cover costs
and to give to a worthy charity.

Booking essential.

Limited number of spaces.

Contact

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Our local schools are:



st-leonards.oxon.sch.uk

and



**Dashwood Banbury
Academy**
an Aspirations Academy

www.aatdashwood.org

Sunday Rota—June

	2 June <i>John 17:20-end</i>	9 June <i>John 14:8-17</i>	16 June <i>John 16:12-15</i>	23 June <i>Luke 8:26-39</i>	30 June <i>Luke 9:51-end</i>
First Reading	Pat S: Acts 16:16-34 Psalm 97	Geraldine: Gen 11:1-9 Ps 104:26-end	Tim: Prov 8:1-4, 22-31 Psalm 8	Charles: Isaiah 65:1-9 Psalm 22:19-28	Priscilla: 1 Kngs 19:15-16, 19-end Psalm 16
Second Reading	Ella: Rev 22:12-14,16,17,20-end	Tim: Acts 2:1-21	Charles: Rom 5:1-5	Margaret: Gal 3:23-29	Sue A: Gal 5:1, 13-25
Prayers	Pat P	Henry	Rev Sue	Geraldine	Pat S
MC	Liz	Jerry	Liz	Jerry	Liz
Chalice	Liz & Tim	Joan & Jennie	Charles & Jerry	Pat S & Tim	Charles & Liz
Sides persons	Joan & Jennie	Ivy & Shirley	Jerry & Mark	Mike & Virginia	Joan & Jennie
Coffee	Liz	Charles & Jan	Sheila	Olyvia	Liz

Deddington Deanery Intercessions

2nd Jun: For all the Deanery clergy and their families. For local garages, for the bus, and train services, and for safety for all travellers.

9th Jun: The church world-wide. For those confirmed within the past year. For those who show the gifts of the Spirit. For the Healing Ministry of the Church

16th Jun: Bodicote: Sarah Sharp, Brian Gardner, and Liz Smith. For Bishop Loveday Primary School, and work with new housing developments. For bankers, accountants and all who are trusted with people's money.

23rd Jun: The Bishops of Oxford, Dorchester, Reading and Buckingham. All members of Deanery Synod, particularly the Lay Officers – Lay Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. Those who serve us on Diocesan Synod

30 Jun: All who will be ordained during Peter-tide. For all parishes welcoming and supporting Assistant Curates. For those who organise and run Post Ordination Training (CMD). For the richness and variety of lay ministries within our churches.

Please pray for the sick and those who've asked for prayer: Marion, Steve, Laura, Daniel, Donna, Justin, Vince, Judy, Mike, Nita, Doreen, Sandra, Laura.

Please note that, owing to the latest Data Protection guidelines, we are unable to include a person's surname unless they have specifically given their permission.