

St Leonard's Church Newsletter

September 2017



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

We're coming to the end of summer. Schools and colleges go back this month. There are signs of autumn around us, lots of berries on trees and bushes. It's the time of year when we celebrate the fruits of creation and give thanks to God for all that he provides. We'll do this particularly at our Harvest Festival on Sunday 17th September. This year we'll be joined by the choir from St Leonard's School (and maybe other children and families too). Please invite friends and neighbours.

The same day we'll be having our Autumn Forest Church gathering in the afternoon, 2.30pm at Newbottle Woods. Another opportunity to give thanks to God for his creation and spend some time connecting with it. All are welcome.

We're pleased to say that we have raised sufficient money to purchase some new chairs for church. A committee is looking at what's available and making a short list to present to the PCC at the end of September. We can then get some samples of the chairs to try out to see what works best for us. All the congregation will be able to see what they think.

When we've finally purchased the chairs, we can start in earnest to raise money for a disabled toilet and kitchen in the church. We need people to be on a fundraising committee. If you can help, please let Sue Ayliff or myself know.

At the end of September, it'll be ten years since my ordination, and I'll have clocked up ten years at St Leonard's! So we'll celebrate this on Sunday 1st October, when Archdeacon Judy French will be preaching at our 10am service. The service will be followed by a shared lunch. Please put the date in your diaries!

Sue Burchell
Vicar

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What's On in September (here at St Leonard's unless otherwise specified)

- Sat 2 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee;
11am **Explore Together** Bible study
- Sun 3 10am Eucharist
- Mon 4 6.30pm Grimsbury Community Association meeting in the
Community Hall
- Wed 6 10am Eucharist
- Sat 9 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee; 10.30am Taize service
1.30pm An invitation to join the congregation at **Merton Street Mosque**, as they meet for their midday prayers. All welcome. Ladies are asked to bring a scarf, in order to cover their heads, when observing the prayers.
2pm Jumble sale, coffee & cake at the **Community Hall** in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support (see opposite)
- Sun 10 10am Eucharist
4pm Seeking the Spirit service
- Mon 11 11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
- Wed 12 10am Eucharist
- Sat 16 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee
1pm Wedding of Daniel Woods and Stacey Manly
- Sun 17 10am Harvest Festival service
2.30pm Forest Church at **Newbottle Woods**
- Mon 18 11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
2pm Funeral of Suzanne Parish
- Wed 20 10am Eucharist
- Sat 23 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee
- Sun 24 10am Eucharist
12.30pm Baptism of Ella Hutt
4pm Seeking the Spirit service
- Mon 25 11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
- Wed 27 10am Eucharist
- Thu 28 7pm PCC meeting in the **Vicarage**
- Sat 30 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee
- Sun 1 Oct 10am Eucharist, with Archdeacon Judy French preaching, followed by a shared lunch to celebrate Revd Sue's 10 years at St Leonard's.

*Choir practice is usually every Tuesday at 7.30pm.
Revd Sue's usual day off is Friday.*

Coffee & Cake & Jumble Sale

9th September 2017

2pm to 4pm

Grimsbury Community Center

Burchester Pl, Banbury OX16 3WT

Refreshments, Tombola, Raffle, Craft Stalls,
Jumble. Friendly local event.

Call Alison Brown if you require a stall or details
07476787348.

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**WE ARE
MACMILLAN.
CANCER SUPPORT**

Healing on the Streets (HOTS) is a successful ministry that brings the love and compassion of Jesus into Banbury High Street twice monthly. At the end of June, we celebrated our 2nd Anniversary. We wish to grow the ministry and are inviting anyone interested to a training session, led by John Owen who has led HOTS Oxford since 2009, which will provide:

- An understanding of Jesus ministry and how he healed people
- As His Disciples, our call and commissioning to follow Him
- Understanding our delegated authority in the Kingdom
- The HOTS Prayer Ministry model in action
- Preparing ourselves for Ministry
- Do's and Don'ts of praying for people on the street

If you sense a call from the Lord to step out of your comfort zone onto the street in Banbury with Jesus, why not come and learn from Him and join us for a HOTS Training Session on Saturday 23rd September at the Salvation Army, George Street, Banbury from 9am-12noon and afterwards (1pm to 3pm) joining the HOTS team on Banbury High Street.

Please email hots.banbury@gmail.com or call David Robinson on 07989 258198 for more info. Please pray for HOTS as we seek to boost the team to grow and develop this wonderful ministry. (Gal 6:9, 1 Cor 15:58)

Our local schools are:



st-leonards.oxon.sch.uk

and



**Dashwood Banbury
Academy**
an Aspirations Academy

www.aatdashwood.org

Hall Manager/Booking Clerk needed

We need someone to take bookings for the church hall, keep the diary up to date, and arrange access for the hirers.

Please let Revd Sue know if you can help.

Regular Use of Church Hall

Wednesdays 7.30 to 8.30pm: Karate Club

Bookings: Please call into church on any Saturday morning between 10.30 and 11.30am

Sunday Rota

	3rd Sept <i>Matt 16:21-end</i>	10th Sept <i>Matt 18:15-20</i>	17th Sept <i>Luke 12:16-30</i> Harvest Festival	24th Sept <i>Matt 20:1-16</i>
First Reading	Pat P: Jerem 15:15-21 Psalm 26:1-8	Tim: Ezekiel 33:7-11 Psalm 119:33-40	n/a	John: Jonah 3:10-4:end Psalm 145:1-8
Second Reading	Charles B: Romans 12:9-end	Sue A: Romans 13:8-end	Ella: Deuteronomy 8:7-18	Pat S: Phil 1:21-end
Prayers	John	Rev Sue	School	Geraldine
MC	Jerry	Liz	Liz	Jerry
Chalice	Liz & Jerry	Charles B & Tim	Joan & Jennie	Liz & Jerry
Sides persons	Joan & Jennie	Ivy & Shirley	Jerry & Mark	Joan & Jennie
Coffee	Liz	Charles & Jan	Sheila	Olyvia

Please pray for the sick and those who've asked for prayer:

Marion Lewis, Dacian and Lorena, Paul Davies, Fr Roger Bellamy, Ivy and Terry Foulsham, Vince Garas, Alex Cripps, Joan Newman, Vince Spittle, Victoria Bravette, Marlene Dargan, Charles Dargan, Pat Sampson, Steve Lewis.

Banbury Street Pastors

The teams out on Saturdays 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 September.

St. Leonard's Christian after school club

Sue A is still looking for helpers for our after-school Christian club at St. Leonards School on a Tuesday afternoon from 3-4pm.

Deddington Deanery Intercessions

3rd Sept: For those returning to school in the coming days; all teachers, and governors; the Church Schools of our Diocese and Deanery.

10th Sept: For all who are called to be evangelists; for our ability to "tell our faith story"; all mission and outreach courses starting this autumn.

17th Sept: For those preparing to start College or University, especially those leaving home for the first time; for parents learning to live in an "empty nest"; for all University Chaplains.

24th Sept: For all charities and relief agencies regularly supported by our congregations; for link churches in this country and abroad; for the Disasters Emergency Committee.

Deadline for October newsletter is 21st September Please send any items to Revd Sue.