



To show our love for God and You
November 2025



Abbots Morton, Rous Lench, Church Lench & Harvington
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ARCH Benefice: Parishes of Abbots Morton, Rous Lench, Church Lench and Harvington

Rector: *Interregnum*

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Readings

2nd November *Daniel 7.1-3, 15-18, Psalm 149, Ephesians 1.11-end, Luke 6.20 - 31*

9th November *Job 19.23-27a, Psalm 17.1-8, 2 Thessalonians 2.1-5, 13-end, Luke 20.27-38*

16th November *Malachi 4.1-2a, Psalm 98, 2 Thessalonians 3.6 -13, Luke 21.5 - 19*

23rd November *Jeremiah 23.1-6, Psalm 46, Colossian 1.11-20, Luke 23.33-43*

30th November *Isaiah 2.1-5, Psalm 122, Romans 13.11-end, Matthew 24.36-44*



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Thought for the month

Do you live with other people? Then you will have some sort of system for making decisions. I'm not thinking about big stuff. Not, 'Should we move house?' Or, 'Shall we start a family?'

I'm talking about how we decide what the right temperature should be in the house. What is the correct volume setting for the TV and what shall we watch? What time do we eat our evening meal?

Although some families contain people who are more tyrannically inclined than others, by and large we try and find a way to please most people as best we can. Of course we take into account things outside our control. Can we afford to have the heating as high as we want? Does someone need to be out in the evening having eaten? Is my favourite programme going to be on catch-up?

All this is at the root of democracy. It is a decision-making process that ensures that most people are pleased. We probably don't take a vote about the time of supper. We talk it out. Or have a tradition.

Freedom is a complicated thing. We are free to eat whenever we want but if we want to eat in company we'd better decide what time to do it and who is cooking.

There's a bit of a row about free speech at the moment. Have we gone too far in stopping people with certain views from speaking out? Or have they crossed a line? Is it drawn in the right place?

We're free to say what we want but there are some laws about threatening words, causing harassment, breaching the peace or indecency.

The Bible says it was for freedom that Christ has set us free. It is right that we argue about its limits. Some people gave their lives for that to continue to be the case. This month in particular, we will remember them.

Steve Tilley (retired priest living in Harvington)

Stop date for December / January combined issue:
Monday 10th November

Interregnum

Daily prayers:
8.30am

via Zoom – contact Revd Chris Sheehan for details
(e-mail chris@archbenefice.org.uk)

Pastoral calls and contacts

During the interregnum period, please can any urgent pastoral requests or contact be made through Rev'd Chris Sheehan, or by contacting a member of your local church community.



INSTALLATION

We ask everyone to pray for Rev. Glenn Reading, and his wife Helen and all their family as they settle here in Harvington. His service of Institution, Induction and Installation as Rector of the ARCH Benefice by Bishop Robert and Archdeacon Mark will take place at St James the Great Church in Harvington on the 23rd November.

A Message from the new Rector

Fr Glenn writes...

Autumn is here and winter won't be far behind. The clocks have gone back, and days will shorten, all this hastens the end of the year that will come all too quickly. There is a sense of urgency as we throw ourselves into a hive of activity.



We began the season in November, which is a month of remembrance, we begin the month celebrating All Saints Day, recalling the men and woman whose lives and legacies are left as reminder of God's grace to his people and his church. Soon after we remember All Souls and we commemorate our loved ones that go before us, and we commend them into God's care and that place where there is no longer pain or tears. Our final act of Remembrance recalls the duty and service of so many men and woman that paid the ultimate price of giving their tomorrows for our todays. In all our remembering we are looking back with a mixture of emotions, grief and loss, gratitude and humility and we redouble our commitment to the duty we have to the communities of which we are apart.

As we leave November behind and enter December, we also enter Advent, a time of waiting and expectation. Here we look back, and we wait with expectation the coming of the Christ child as baby in the manger. Advent is also a time that requires us to pivot and look ahead, again with expectation as we look for the coming of the Christ, but this time as a King of all creation.

Advent prepares us for the reality that the Christ child in the manger, grows into Christ the man. Advent is a season of expectation and waiting, of holding on to the hope and the promises of God.

It is my hope and prayer that amongst all the busyness and activity that you get time and space to watch and wait with a sense of expectation the fulfilment of God's promises in his Son Jesus.

May God bless you and those you love.

Fr Glenn



Benefice News



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The smallest, biggest gift!

Sunday 30th November

Harvington Village Hall, 3.30 - 5.30pm

Crafts, story, song and a

FREE 2-course meal.

All welcome!

Caring Hands foodbank – please keep it going

Please remember Caring Hands when doing your weekly shop and purchase an extra item or two for the foodbank: toilet rolls, toiletries, tinned and dried goods are always welcome.

Items can be left in the donation boxes in our parish churches.

MEN'S NIGHT

Coach and Horses, Harvington,

12th November, 8pm

All welcome!



New Rector, New Bishop, and a New ABC!

We are living through an extraordinary season of change within the Church. As a Benefice, we extend our warmest congratulations and prayers to Dame Sarah Mullally, Bishop of London, as she prepares to take up her historic appointment as the 106th Archbishop of Canterbury and the first woman to lead the Church of



England. She assumes this sacred office at a pivotal moment when the Church must discern its calling afresh in a rapidly changing world. This time of transition touches us locally as well, as we welcome both the Right Revd Hugh Nelson as our new Bishop of Worcester and our own Revd Glenn Reading, who joins us as Rector at the end of November. We hold them all in our prayers as they begin their ministries amongst us.



Almighty and everlasting God, who alone works great marvels: send down upon Archbishop-designate Sarah, Bishop Hugh and Glenn, and all congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of Your grace, that they may truly please You; pour upon them the communal dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Nicene Creed: The Church and the Future

'We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church': The Creed affirms the four marks of the church, defining a truly orthodox Christian community:

one: despite the many different churches and traditions, there is only one Church to which we all belong. *'There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.'* (Galatians 3:28).

holy: the church is a holy community set apart for God (*ekklesia*, lit 'called out'), whose mission is to reflect God's holiness in worship and live out His love in the world.

catholic: this doesn't refer to the Roman Catholic church, as the word means 'universal', reminding us of the unity of the church across the whole world and all denominations.

The church aims to apply the same gospel in whatever situation, context or culture it finds itself.

Apostolic: The apostolic ministry of the church (*'apostolos'*) is one of being sent to communicate the good news of the gospel: *'Therefore go and make disciples of all nations.'* (Matt 28.19).

'We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins': As baptism is as sign of belonging to the church, it can only happen once. The issue addressed in the Creed is that of Christians who left during persecution, but wanted to be accepted back by rebaptism. It affirms the principle *'one Lord, one faith, one baptism'* (Ephesians 4:5). Today, those baptised as children, theologically can't be re-baptised to demonstrate an adult commitment. However, they can be confirmed or reaffirm their baptism vows.

'We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come': The Creed ends with a statement of hope, that we will share in Jesus' resurrection life after death.

It is not simply about the immortality of our soul, but the resurrection of our bodies. They will be transformed to fit us for life of heaven for eternity: *'The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable...it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body.'* (1 Corinthians 15:42-44).

- Canon Paul Hardingham

When there is no peace

They dress the wound of My people as though it were not serious. "Peace, peace," they say, when there is no peace. (Jeremiah 6:14)

I wonder what peace felt like in 1945, after 9th May or 16th August? These, of course, were the days after Victory in Europe Day and then Victory in Japan Day. Once the parties and hangovers were cleared up, life would go on as before, for many months to come: with shortages, rationing, men overseas, houses bombed and people on the move. On the continent and in the Far East it was much worse.

What does it feel like now? Yes, we have had 'peace' of sorts in most of Europe between the major continental powers for decades, which is an achievement, but there is no peace in Ukraine, the Middle East or Sudan. If anything, the world is now looking to be a more dangerous place.

This verse from the prophet Jeremiah was the theme of a sermon recently. The preacher talked about peace making, peace keeping and a lasting peace, which are not the same and require different skills. In and after the Second World War *peace making* meant winning the war and defeating evil. *Peace keeping* was occupying the defeated lands until they could establish communities built on democracy and justice. (The preacher was born exactly nine months after either VE or VJ Day, so he was a 'child of peace'!)

What about a *lasting peace*? Many world leaders say, "Peace, Peace" but they mean only *peace on their terms* and do not care about anything else.

As Christians we should:

Pray for the *peace makers*: the women and men in the forces

Pray for *peace keepers*: the experts helping to build new societies

Pray for *lasting peace*: the willingness of world leaders and politicians to act for the greater good.



- David Pickup

Saint of the Month

9 November—Margery Kempe

Here is a saint for any out-spoken, emotional person who also struggles with depression and human failings in the quest to live their best life.

Margery Kempe was born in 1373, the daughter of a wealthy businessman in King's Lynn. She married John Kempe and had 14 children. She described herself as "not lettrid", for she could not read or write.



Margery Kempe was far from the usual 'saint' of the Late Medieval Ages. She was not a recluse. She had not defended her virginity. She was not a submissive wife. Instead, she must have been stormy to live with, as she was known to be very emotional, and at times, very rude. In fact, her emotion engagement with the liturgy deeply unsettled the established local clergy, who distrusted her flare-ups.

Margery began her spiritual pilgrimage with depression - probably brought on by the birth of her first child. She was so ill that she had been forcibly locked away in a room by her spiritual director, when she saw a vision of Jesus. He said to her: "Daughter why have you forsaken Me? I never forsook you." Margery was then reassured that her depressive guilt and fear were misplaced, and that Jesus was actually welcoming her into a personal relationship with Himself.

In 1436 Margery dictated her famous book, 'The Book of Margery Kempe'. It was a sort of spiritual autobiography, and for centuries only edited bits of it were published for people to read. Then in 1934 a complete manuscript was found, and it led to a re-evaluation of Margery herself.

After years of being remembered as a devout mystic, Margery emerged as a more complete, more human woman from these pages. She loved clothes. She envied other people. She sometimes had fantasies, and sometimes few scruples. But she was also honest in her growing relationship with Christ, and finally found in Him a fulfilment she could find nowhere else. That fulfilment helped her on her journey to gradual transformation.

She has been called 'the embodiment of an honest soul on a quest for God.' She died in 1440, aged 67, a good age in those days.

From St James' The Least

My dear Nephew Darren

I was intrigued that you have been nurturing someone called Dave who is considering ordination. Since Dave had never travelled outside the city, your decision to send him to me was understandable. Sadly, I don't think he is cut out for the ministry.

We did our best. In a fit of hospitality, the Colonel invited this Dave to stay at the Lodge, and to join his Saturday pheasant shoot as a beater. But Dave said firmly that he was against beating any kind of bird and abhors all kinds of murder. It seems young Dave is a vegetarian! You might have warned us. The Colonel is now concerned that Dave is connected in some way with the Green Party. You cannot be too careful these days.

Then Miss Saxby and Miss Tarby stepped in. They enjoy mushrooming, and kindly took young Dave off to the woods. It is not their fault that they are a bit deaf and so did not hear his cries of distress when he lost them among all the trees. They just assumed he had gone back to the Colonel's, and so of course they did not organise a search party until much later. Fortunately, the church warden's spaniel has a keen nose and found Dave before midnight. During all that time, Dave seemed to have had nothing better to do than slide about on fallen leaves and trip over hidden logs in the dark. He was even babbling about having heard a crying ghost. We feared he might be delirious but then realised he meant the local owl. He also seemed surprised by the darkness and asked how we manage without any streetlights at all in the parish. We explained the obvious - we simply follow the example of the well-refreshed when leaving the pub, and feel our way along the walls.

On Sunday morning Dave rushed into the church to warn me that there were several loose sheep in the churchyard. I decided then that he should return to the safety of the city. There was no point in letting him near most of our church ladies, who would have savaged him on sight.

The visit only proves the obvious: potential ordinands should be carnivorous, cricketing fly-fishers, most at home in well-worn tweeds and preferably accompanied by a muddy dog. How else will they get along with normal folk?

Your loving uncle,
Eustace

**Abbots Morton
St Peter's Church**
(www.abbotsmorton.info/st-peters-church)

All are **WELCOME**

St Peters, Abbots Morton prides itself on being a welcoming and friendly church. All dogs are always welcome to our services however this autumn we have seen a new and surprising guest... A squirrel who was trying his hand at playing the organ. Thank you to all our caring villagers who helps Mr Squirrel find his way back into the church yard.



Harvest was once again a fabulous fair with a lovely Pork Roast Dinner. It was great to see so many turn out in the village and huge thanks to all those who helped in planning, preparation, delivery and sharing. Apple pies, crumbles and custard, what's not to love! Well done also to those who took part in the Harvest Quiz. We made a profit of £800 for church funds.

As ever the Flower Ladies have treated us to the most amazing coloured displays through the church. We hope you had a chance to go and visit the church and enjoy the beauty of the work.

As we move into the autumn, our focus changes to **Remembrance**. A service will be held in the church, starting at 10.30am on Sunday the 9th of November. We will be remembering all those who have given their life and service for their country but also taking the opportunity to remember others amongst us who are sadly missed. If you have any names that you would like to be remembered, please can you let Pippa know on:



Abbots Morton Village Hall

(www.abbotsmorton.info/abbots-morton-village-hall)

NEWS

Abbots Morton 'Bimble' Worcestershire Car Drive Out.

Our very first Abbots Morton Bimble car event was a huge success enjoyed by all who attended. Wonderful cars, excellent food and fascinating talks along with an exhibition of car memorabilia. Thank you to all involved and all who supported - gearing up for next time!

REGULAR EVENTS

Community Coffee Morning, first Tuesday of every month in the Village Hall.

Next one is **Tuesday 4th November, 10am to 12 noon** where we will be unveiling a plaque in memory of Colin Pemberton. Colin was a huge part of the village and did so much for our community so we would like to see as many people there as possible.

If you haven't been to one of our coffee mornings yet, please drop by anytime between 10am and 12 noon. It's absolutely free and a lovely opportunity to spend a couple of hours with others in the community. Please join us - you'll get a warm welcome. Donations to the "Power Pot" help to pay for electricity and are gratefully received.

Tai Chi Wednesdays 10am - 11am.

Tai Chi is run by Andrew Lowe as 7 week sessions. If you would like to take part contact Andrew

Yoga Sessions Monday and Thursday mornings, 9.45-10.45am

Amy Hoang-Jones from Astwood Bank now runs two yoga classes in the Village Hall on Monday and Thursday mornings. If you would like to join please call Amy on

Pilates with Allyson Giel is on Wednesday evenings from 6-7pm. It will be next held on the following Wednesdays: 29th October, 5th November, 12th November, 19th November, 26th November, 3rd December.

Abbots Morton

FUTURE EVENTS

Christmas Quiz Night our next quiz night will be on **Friday 28th**. Antony and Sue Bunce will again be our quizmasters, and tickets will include a glass of Willingale mulled wine and festive nibbles! Further details to follow.

CPR Session. On **Saturday 17th January 2026** Antony will be holding a CPR Session at **2pm**. This time has been chosen to allow families to attend and will be **FREE** of charge. There will be an opportunity for donations to be shared equally between **AMVH** and **The Vale of Evesham Community First Responders**.

Easyfundraising

We have 28 supporters to date. The Village Hall has benefitted from the scheme by almost £1,400 thanks to our supporters. By joining you can help to raise funds for your Hall every time you shop online at NO cost to yourself. Just go to and sign up to help the Village Hall every time you shop online.

Save the Date for The Big Christmas Tree Switch On!

Saturday 29th November at 6.30pm

Join us on the Green for the lighting of the Christmas Tree. Graham Hobbs will have the honour of lighting the tree. Hot dogs, mulled wine and other refreshments will be available for all. Donations (on the night) towards the cost of the Christmas Tree will be gratefully received.



All parishioners are welcome to attend our Parish Council meetings. The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 27th November at 8pm** in Abbots Morton Village Hall. Further details and agendas can be found at **www.abbotsmorton.info**. Residents are invited to put forward any ideas, concerns or queries during public question time. If you cannot attend in person, then please raise issues with the Clerk at

St Peter's Rous Lench

PUB NIGHTS

The village pub will be open from 7.30pm on the following Fridays :

7th November

21st November (family night - open from 6.30pm)

5th December

19th December (home for Christmas- please bring some food to share)

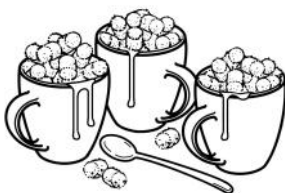
All welcome, come and have a chat by the fireside.

Liz's Quiz Night

15th November 7.30pm at the village hall. Snacks will be provided. Tickets cost £5 per person. Come along and pit your wits against our resident quiz genius.

Carols on the Green

Tuesday 16th December. Come and join in this village tradition to get in the festive spirit. Soup, mulled cider and mince pies will be served.



ROUS LENCH PARISH COUNCIL

The next meetings are:

25 November 2025 at 7pm

20 January 2026 at 7pm

24 March 2026 at 7pm

All meetings are held at Rous Lench Village Hall and the public are welcome to attend.

All Saints, Church Lench

Church Lench Carol Service

Sunday December 21st at 6.30pm.
Mulled wine will be served from 6pm.
All are welcome.



AUTUMN COFFEE MORNING

Wednesday 12th November, 10am-12 noon

Once again Celia Hall is very kindly hosting a Coffee Morning at her home, Tudor House, Church Lench, in aid of this month's Christmas Fayre expenses. Everyone will be most welcome to come and enjoy coffee, etc, together with a Bring and Buy Sale and a Raffle.



CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Saturday 29th November, 2-4pm
Church Lench Village Hall



Attractions for all the family!

Many festive home-made products

A wide range of stalls selling plants, crafts, gifts ,toys, bric-brac

Seasonal refreshments available throughout the afternoon

Grand Christmas Raffle featuring a first prize of £100!

For further information concerning stalls and donations please contact

Donations of toys, children's books , gifts and bric-a-brac may be left at the back of the church throughout November.

TOWER BELLS AT CHURCH LENCH

Do you enjoy listening to the bells at Church Lench? We have a keen band of dedicated ringers but need to increase our numbers. If you think you would like to learn this skill I am prepared to teach anyone who wishes to have a go, or if you have rung before but have not been attached to a tower for a while, please get in touch. We meet on Monday evenings. Please get in touch with David Chambers

Church Lench

Church Lench Village Hall November 2025

We hope you can join us for our annual **Quizmas Pudding Night on Saturday 6 December**, 7pm for 7:30pm. Enjoy a fantastic night of quizzing and beautiful, seasonal desserts. A bar will be open, and we can take cards or cash. And there will be prizes! Make up your own team of four or come along and form a team on the night. Tickets are £7.50 each and are available from all village hall committee members or contact for more information.

Below are the winners in our recent 100 Club Draws. First prize: £25, Second Prize: £15, and Third Prize: £10.

December 2024

1st Christine Pugh.
2nd Ian Upright.
3rd Jan Harrison

March 2025

1st Lyndall Bagnall
2nd Bev Gillis
3rd Richard Barton

June 2025.

1st Denise Oates.
2nd Jo Edge.
3rd Anne Logan

September 2025

1st Simon Tonks
2nd Gill Proops
3rd Ann Quickenden

Interested in hiring the hall? For booking enquiries, please contact Bev Gillis and see our pages on www.thelenches.org.uk website.

CAROLS IN THE CLUB



SATURDAY DECEMBER 13th 2025
at 12 NOON to 1.00 pm
Do come and join us in The Lenches Club to sing carols
and enjoy hot mince pies. Hope to see you there.



South Lenches Parish Council

SOUTH LENCHES NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - IMPORTANT UPDATE

Since our last update to the community, the South Lenches Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group has prepared and submitted the Neighbourhood Plan document to Wychavon District Council for initial screening in April 2025. This involved sending our Neighbourhood Plan to Wychavon District Council and through them to the Environment Agency; Natural England and Historic England as statutory consultees. We received a favourable report from all parties with no additional comment at this stage, and agreement from Wychavon to proceed to the next major stage in the Neighbourhood Plan process, Regulation 14 Community Consultation. The Steering Group has further updated the Neighbourhood Plan document and we will be in a position to run Regulation 14 Community Consultation from November 11th.

For our Neighbourhood Plan to become part of Planning Law, and before our Plan is submitted formally to Wychavon District Council for formal independent examination, Regulation 14 of the neighbourhood plan regulations requires us to make the whole Plan available to the South Lenches community for your review.

Regulation 14 consultation will run for statutory 6 weeks from November 3rd - during this time you will be able to read both an executive summary of the Plan and the whole document, and you will have an opportunity to provide feedback (in paper format or an online link to the feedback form).

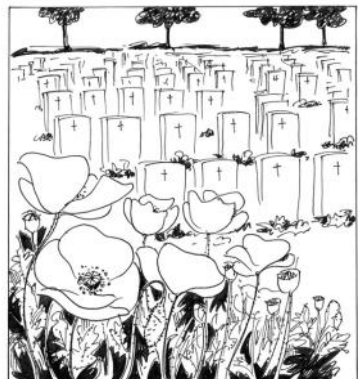
We are also running a drop-in, Open Day event on Saturday 15th November in the Church Lench village hall - from 11am to 3pm.

Details of the Regulation 14 process will be published on the South Lenches Parish Council website - www.southlenchesparishcouncil.org

Carolyn Hodges

South Lenches Neighbourhood Plan
Steering Group

South Lenches Parish Council



St James's, Harvington



ST JAMES'S CHURCH PRESENTS

CRAFT WITH COMMUNITY

- Pop in for a coffee, tea, squash, cake and a catch up with friends & neighbours.
- Purchase beautiful locally handmade Christmas Cards
- Create paper tree decorations from our old hymn books

Thursday 6th November
10.30am - 12.30pm

Saturday 15th November
2.30-4.30pm

St James's Church, Harvington

FREE EVENT
Donations gratefully received



ST JAMES'S CHURCH PRESENTS

THE CHRISTMAS FAIR

GAMES, STALLS, CAFE, SANTA'S GROTTO
FACE PAINTING, TOMBOLA, RAFFLE

SATURDAY 13TH DECEMBER

11AM - 2PM

HARVINGTON VILLAGE HALL

FREE ENTRY



ST JAMES'S EVENTS
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St James's, Harvington

CAMEO TEAS 12th November 3.00pm St. James Church

This is our last Wednesday this year when we meet for our Afternoon Tea Cakes and a chat before we breakup for Christmas and resume again next Year, **at Breslau our warmer quarters!!! 14th January 2026 3.00pm**

Our Christmas Carol Service 10th December at 11am at St. James Church

Followed by Christmas Lunch at Broom Hall Hotel 12.30 for 1.00pm.
This is our CAMEO TEAS highlight of the year to start the Christmas Season together.

Please come and join us for the Carol Service which is **open to everyone** and if you want to join us for lunch please get in touch with Sophie Tel:

FAITH TODAY Friday 21st November 10.00am Breslau

You are warmly invited to join us for another informative and lovely get-together.

Liz Griffith will be leading ***How to be Human*** which touches us all in our daily lives.

We look forward to seeing you. Refreshments will be served.
For information please get in touch with

We pause in December but resume again in January 16th 2026

Financial emergency? Extra help needed? Live in Harvington?

St James' Church manages an emergency fund on behalf of the community. If you need a little financial assistance, please call and we will offer what support we can.

If you are in a position to top up the funds, we would be very grateful!

Harvington

HARVINGTON PHOENIX LADIES GROUP

We were really pleased to have Jill Salmons visit Phoenix to tell us about Customs and Costumes of Peru. It was really interesting and she brought plenty of clothes and hats for us to look at and try on! A fun night was had by all. We have Kaz and Annie (from Evesham) joining us in November to make a Decopatch Heart followed by our AGM. All ladies welcome, we meet at Harvington Village Hall, 1st Wednesday of a month at 7.45pm - please contact

Harvington Community Support Group

The Community Support Group is a small team of DBS checked volunteers who are able to help Harvington residents who might need a hand. We are often able to assist with, for instance, transport for appointments, occasional shopping, small DIY jobs, helping with admin such as form-filling etc, or just a friendly visit or to sit-in while a carer takes a short break.

For bigger concerns we may be able to give advice or point you in the right direction. So, if you need any help, please contact the co-ordinators, Wendy and Konrad [redacted] (Leave a message if we don't answer and we **will** get back to you

HARVINGTON SINGERS' CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Friday 5th December 7.30pm; Saturday 6th
December 2.30pm

St James's Church, Harvington

Tickets: £9 adults and £5 children

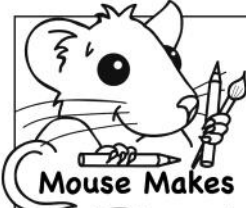
Email: tickets@harvingtonsingers.org.uk

Online: harvingtonsingers.org.uk

Phone: 07377 932557




Looking forward towards Advent




Mouse Makes

LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS
 Advent Sunday this year falls on 30th November.
 ADVENT is a time to celebrate the ARRIVAL of Jesus, God's Son, our Saviour.
 We look forward with HOPE, we give thanks for God's LOVE and the PEACE and JOY we have in Jesus.




HOPE

Read:
Isaiah 40:5
What shall be revealed?




JOY

Read:
LUKE 2:10-11
Who is 'God's news of great joy' for?



LOVE

Read:
John 3:16
How did God show He loves us?




PEACE

Read:
Romans 5:1-2
Through who do we have peace with God?

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Key to Church Services

VH Village Hall
BCP Book of Common Prayer
Service

*All other communion services use
the Common Worship liturgy*

Services in Advent and Christmas

7th December, 2nd Sunday of Advent

8:30am	Rous Lench Village Hall	Holy Communion
9:30 am	Harvington	Morning Worship
11:00 am	Church Lench	Holy Communion (CW)
6.00pm	Harvington	Holy Communion (BCP)

14th December: 3rd Sunday of Advent

8.30 am	Church Lench	Holy Communion (BCP)
9:30 am	Harvington	Family Service
11:00 am	Abbots Morton	Carols, Gifts, Communion

21st December: 4th Sunday of Advent

9:30 am	Harvington	Holy Communion
3.30pm	Harvington	Christingle
6.30pm	Church Lench	Carol Service
6.30pm	Rous Lench	Christmas Carol Service

24th December: Christmas Eve

3.30 pm	Harvington	Carol and Crib Service
4.30 pm	Church Lench	Carol and Crib Service
9.00 pm	Abbots Morton	Christmas Communion
11:00pm	Harvington	Midnight Mass

25th December: Christmas Day

09.30 am	Harvington	Christmas Comm' (CW)
11:00 am	Church Lench	Christmas Comm' (CW)

28th December: 1st Sunday of Christmas

10:00 am	Harvington	Benefice Comm' (CW+)
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	Harvington	Church Lench	Rous Lench	Abbots Morton
2nd November All Saints and All Souls	6.30pm Tree of Light Service	10am Benefice Communion 6.30pm Tree of Light Service		
9th November Remembrance	10.30am Remembrance Service	10.45am Remembrance Service		10.30am Remembrance Service
16th November	9.30am Family Service	8.30am Holy Communion BCP	11am Morning Service (VH)	
23rd November Christ the King	9.30am Holy Communion	11am Family Service		
30th November Advent Sunday	9.30am Holy Communion 3.30pm Messy Church (VH)	11am Lay Led Morning Worship		11am Morning Worship