

## **Notices 17 September 2023**

### **Sunday September 17<sup>th</sup>: Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity**

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist and Forest Sunday School

Baptism of Enid Hill

### **Midweek Services**

Morning Prayer: Monday to Thursday at 9am

Eucharist Service: Wednesdays at 10am

### **Sunday September 24<sup>th</sup>: Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**

8am Holy Communion

10am Parish Eucharist with Forest Sunday School.

### **2023: A time to build: Exciting Updates!**

**Start date** Our anticipated start date for the building work is **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**. The work is expected to take nine months, and we hope to remain in the church building for as much of this time as possible. We hope to share regular updates on the progress of the work via the notices and email list.

### **Finance**

We are able to forwards with our project thanks to the generous support of individual donors, grant bodies, and a loan from Methodist Chapel Aid. Thank you so much to everyone who has contributed to our fundraising campaign, and to everyone who has supported the process with their prayers. We still need to raise money to repay our loan, and so our fundraising will continue for as long as needed. If you haven't yet been able to send in a pledge form, we would love to hear from you! We hope that everyone who has sent in a pledge has now been contacted. Please do contact David Knight in the first instance (contact details from the parish office) if you have not heard about this.

If you would like to make a donation directly into our building fund account, the details are:

Account name: HTHQ

Sort Code: 20-65-20.

Account no: 83117634 (Please include your name as a reference)

**Graves and memorials** The vicar and churchwardens are keen to ensure that all those who tend graves or memorials in the churchyard are able to have any questions or concerns they have with regards to the building works answered where possible and kept in touch with the development's progress. If this applies to you or anyone else you know please let Helen in the Parish Office have the contact details so that you can be kept in touch with any

relevant information. [office@hthq.uk](mailto:office@hthq.uk) or 762931 Tues - Thurs 8.30 – 12 noon only.

**Prayer requests** Please continue to hold the project in your prayers. As the psalmist writes: 'unless the Lord builds the house, those who labour build it in vain' (Psalm 127.1). We ask you all to pray especially for wisdom for our architect and contractors, and for peaceful relations with our neighbours and local residents affected by the work.

God of vision and hope,  
we thank you for our church building;  
a place of prayer and pilgrimage,  
witnessing to your love and presence in our midst.  
We pray for our plans to develop the building  
to further the work of your kingdom in this and future  
generations.  
We pray for the guidance, resources and skills we need  
to bring the project to completion,  
and that we would be united in vision and focus  
as we work towards this goal,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Cornerstone. Amen.

**Welcome Tea: Today!** 3pm-4.30pm.

The vicar and churchwardens warmly invite you to a welcome tea today in the Vicarage garden (weather depending). This is an opportunity for new members of the church to find out more about church life in a friendly and informal setting (over tea and cake!). Just let Laura know if you'd like to come along today.

The **Archway Foundation** is running a Volunteer Training course for potential new Volunteers on **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September**. Volunteering can be a hugely rewarding activity (with proven health benefits). You can make a difference even for just an hour or two a week, by listening and talking to or visiting someone who is lonely, or by helping out at social groups & events. Training, support, and travel expenses are provided. To find out more just email [anna@archwayfoundation.org.uk](mailto:anna@archwayfoundation.org.uk) or call 01865790552.

**The Parish Office** is closed and will reopen on **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September**.

**World's Biggest Coffee Morning.** As usual I will be hosting a coffee morning and bring and buy sale in aid of **Macmillan Cancer Care** on **Friday September 29th between 10 am and 12 pm at 3 Barton Road, Headington, Oxford OX3 9JB.** Contact for further details Sheila Allcock, 01865 769630.

**Autumn Churchyard Tidy up Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October 10am-12noon.**

We welcome anyone who feels they can help on this day (even for an hour) with weeding and tidying some graves and also Ivy off the walls. Tea, Coffee and Cake will be provided for a break.

Please let either Margaret or Janet (Wardens ) know, or if you have any questions. Otherwise just turn up if you can and help us to try and maintain the peaceful church yard that we have.

**The Eco Group** would like to share some great news. Holy Trinity has been awarded A Rocha's Eco Church Silver Award.

Congratulations and thanks are due to the many church members whose efforts have brought about this wonderful result. (Hilary Rollin for Eco Group).

**Save the Date: Autumn Talks Series - Environment Matters.**

**Weds 11 October:** Extraordinary Shotover: History, Flora, Fauna and Climate Change. Jim Woods of Shotover Preservation Society entertains us with a wealth of fascinating information.

Venue for both talks: 7.30 in the Coach House, Quarry Road, Headington, OX3 8NU. Do please come, and bring friends. Details of subsequent talks will follow. Hilary Rollin (for Holy Trinity Eco Group)

**Asylum Welcome** *Please do not leave any fresh produce or fruit and vegetables but donate eg cooking oil, tinned tomatoes, milk (UHT) and tinned fish. Please put items in the crate at the back of church. You can find a list of all the items that are needed on this page: <https://www.asylum-welcome.org/food/>. Thank you for your support.*

**Eco Resources List:** To view the August/September recommended resources go to: <https://www.hthq.uk/eco-church-resources/> (Hilary Rollin, Eco Church Group)

**Eco Tips** Eco Tip of the Week: Find plastic-free alternatives (i.e. brown paper bag, or loose) when buying fruit and vegetables. Encourage suppliers of fruit and vegetables to go plastic-free. (Hilary Rollin for Eco Church Group)

**Pastoral care team** Are you in need of support or would you like to talk to someone? We rely on you to let us know of anyone who is ill, or in hospital or who might welcome a visit. Please contact any of the clergy (numbers below) or Helen Day, Janet Masters, or Anne Tarassenko.

**Holy Trinity Headington Quarry**

*An open door between heaven and earth,  
showing God's love to all.*

As the Anglican parish in Headington Quarry, Risinghurst and Wood Farm, we are here for every local resident. Our church is open every day. We hope that you will find God's peace as you come to pray or just sit and rest awhile. If you have questions about the Christian faith or would like to find out more about church life, please get in touch:

**Contact us**

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