News from the Upper Thames Churches



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1. Sunday 23 March - Lent 3

- St Sampson's:
 - o 10am Holy Communion in the school assembly hall
- Holy Cross:
 - o 8.30am Holy Communion
 - 3.30pm Messy Church
- St John the Baptist:
 - o 10am Morning Worship
- Readings:
 - o Psalm 63: 1-9
 - o <u>Luke 13: 1-9</u>

2. Lent Quiet Afternoon

You are welcome to join us for all or some of the time on Monday March 24th between



2pm and 3.45pm in Holy Cross church AK. Do what you like, just "be still", or try mindfully doodling, following a labyrinth, enjoying the outdoors or dipping into a variety of books. There will be a kettle and cake

too. Pauline, Shirley and Suzi

3. Next Lent Talk Friday 11 April

Due to the cancellation of the Lent Talk scheduled for Thursday 10th April our **final talk will be by Lisa Potts on Friday 11 April at St**

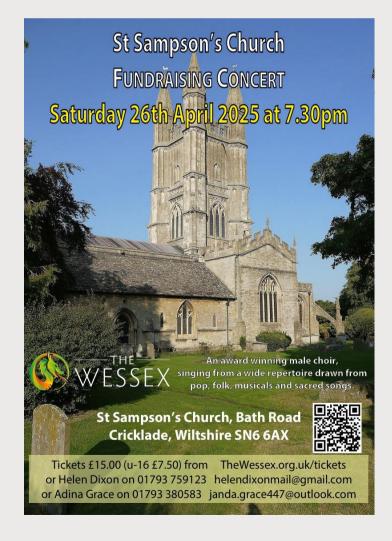
Sampson's School. Lisa was awarded the George Medal after protecting her young pupils from a Machete attack - click here for a short video: <u>Lisa</u> <u>Potts News Report VT.mp4</u>



4. Wessex Male Voice Choir Concert

Some of the proceeds will go towards the St Sampson's Refurbishment Appeal. Saturday 26 April at 7.30pm at St Sampson's Church. Doors 6.45pm

Tickets £15.00 / U-16 £7.50 online from <u>TheWessex.org.uk/tickets</u> no extra booking charge or from Helen Dixon on 01793 759123 <u>helendixonmail@gmail.com</u> or Adina Grace on 01793 380583 jandagrace447@outlook.com



5. Reminders

• Messy Church at Holy Cross Sunday 23 March





Lift-sharing for Mothering Sunday service on 30 March, 10am at Bristol Cathedral

Laura Brierley is co-ordinating lift shares for all our Upper Thames churches. Please let us know if you would like a lift or can take someone in your car by emailing the <u>Parish Office</u>.

• Current Foodbank Shopping List

Please leave donations in the box at the back of St Sampson's church. Donations are collected on Monday mornings.

6. March - April Services

• Sunday 30 March - Lent 4 (Mothering Sunday)

- St Sampson's:
 - 8am Holy Communion *in the church*
 - 10am Bristol Cathedral

• Sunday 6 April - Lent 5

- St Sampson's:
 - 8am Holy Communion
 - 10am Morning Worship in the school hall with the music group
 - 6.30pm Evensong
- Holy Cross:
 - 10am Holy Communion
- St John the Baptist
 - 10am Morning Worship

• Sunday 13 April - Palm Sunday

o 10am Worship Together in St Sampson's school hall

From this point on, all St Sampson's services will take place in the church.

• Friday 18 April - Good Friday

2pm Final Hour service

• Sunday 20 April - Easter Day

- St Sampson's:
 - 8am Holy Communion *followed by breakfast*
 - 10am Holy Communion
 - 6.30pm Evensong
- Holy Cross:
 - 10am Easter service
 - 6pm Evensong *at Harbert's Cottage*
- St John the Baptist:
 - 11.15am Holy Communion
- o All Saints, Leigh
 - 11.30am Holy Communion

• Sunday 27th April - Easter 2

- St Sampson's:
 - 10am Holy Communion
- Holy Cross:
 - 8am Holy Communion
 - 3.30pm Messy Church
- St John the Baptist:
 - 10am Morning Worship

7. Morning Prayers

• Monday Morning Zoom Prayers, 9am - all welcome

We are a small group who meet on Zoom for 40 minutes at 9am on Monday mornings to read, pray and socialise following a Wild Goose Wee worship format. New members would be very welcome.

Join Zoom Meeting <u>https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79134196612?pwd=0b8fDtH3jho0hwJfaSmdu3cAqCH</u> <u>Hhu.1</u> Meeting ID: 791 3419 6612 Passcode: xG0QAi

Thursday Morning Prayers at St Sampson's

Everyone is welcome and we'd love new people to join us. There are usually about 7 - 10 of us in number; we meet at 8.30am to enjoy coffee and the Iona Community's 'Wee Worship Book', and finish by 9.30am. Do join us.

8. Church opening times

- St Sampson's: every day, 9.30am 3.30pm
- Holy Cross: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 10am 4pm
- St John the Baptist Latton: Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, 10am 4pm