



Holy Trinity Church, Rushams Road,
Horsham

NOTICES

20th September 2026

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to this week's Noticesheet.

Our deadline for notices is

Wednesday 5pm. **Please email
Church Office**

Answerphone: 01403 288465

churchoffice@horshamholymtrinity.org.uk

Important the Holy Trinity Noticesheet address is
no longer in operation!

Vicar Revd' Sam Maginnis

vicar@horshamholymtrinity.org.uk

Phone: 01403 470069

Fr. Sam's Day Off: Friday.

Church Deputy Warden Di Whittaker

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Our church is open for Private Prayer

8.30am – 4pm Mon. to Fri. Sat. 9am –
4 pm.

Please note 10am services at Holy
Trinity are Live Streamed.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY
including Wednesday morning
services St Leonard's & St Mary's

Sunday 20th September

8am Quiet Communion followed by
Breakfast

10am Communion – outdoor service
– dress for the weather!

6pm Café Connect

Monday 21st September

8.30am BCP Morning Prayer

Tuesday 22nd September

8.30am BCP Morning Prayer

Wednesday 23rd September

8.30am BCP Morning Prayer

10.30am Parish - Quiet Communion

Thursday 24th September

8.30am BCP Morning Prayer

1.30pm Trinity TOTS in the Hall

6.30pm Junior Choir Practice

Saturday 26 September

8.30 BCP Morning Prayer

9.45 – Safeguarding Domestic Abuse
Training in church.

Next Sunday 27th September

10am Communion with Young
Explorers

1.30pm – Private booking - Concert

6pm Healing Service

**This Sunday is Fr. Sam's last Sunday
before he goes on Parental Leave. He
returns to duty on the 1st December.
In Fr. Sam's absence, Fr. Scott is
providing Clergy oversight. All
enquiries please direct to the Church
Office.**

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

The sick, troubled or in need: John Inman, Zillah Lighter, Laura Rawlinson, Richard, David Andrews, Rosemary Hensor, Christopher Lowdell, Angela Garmen, Carole Daubney, Stan Hall, Sarah Mackay, Roger Lighter, Philip Spooner, Margaret Ashford, Anna Hall, David Harnden, Alfie Close, Chris Tucker

Those who have died recently:

Those whose year's mind falls at this time: Dorothy Lovell, Derek Mileham, Frederick Hicks, John Hughes

Prayer requests can be made via the link on our Website <http://holytrinityhorsham.org.uk>, on the prayer sheet at the back of church or by contacting Ruth Huntley on 01403 754403.



**This Sunday is our 10am outdoor service
for Creationtide**

Please dress for the weather – at both of this Sunday's services a retiring collection will be taken for Christian Aid's Harvest of Hope appeal.

Please use this link to read about this important appeal.

[Harvest Appeal 2026 | Christian Aid](#)

SPONSOR A SHINGLE



We have 1200 shingles that can be sponsored for £20 + gift aid (£25). We have already sponsored over 150. If we sell all of these it will go a long way to filling the hole in our fabric fund caused by the £25K overspend on the refurbishment of the Bell Tower.

If you would like to sponsor a shingle for yourself or a loved one, please contact – krayner@horshamholylrinity.org.uk Fr Sam has explained that the cost of the works exceeded our original budget by £25,000, so we are launching our new **Sponsor A Shingle Campaign** with the goal of covering this extra cost. QR code for the appeal.

CHOIR

The choir is looking to recruit more adults with effect from September 10th, particularly tenors and bases but also sopranos and altos. New Junior choir members aged 6 and above would also be welcome. Choir practices are on Thursday evenings during term time from 6.30pm - 7.30pm for the Juniors and 7pm - 8.30pm for the adults. The choirs sing at the 10am services on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Membership of the choirs is free and the Juniors also receive free music tuition. Please email jane.osullivan@horshamholylrinity.org for further details or have a chat to her in church.

SEE OUR CHOIR RECRUITMENT POSTER AT THE END OF THESE NOTICES!

HTC Harvest Fair - Fun for all – Saturday 10th October

This is a major Fund Raiser for Holy Trinity – please support us where you can.



At this year's fair we will have a variety of stalls, games, competitions, delicious cakes, refreshments, ploughman's lunches (ham & cheese).

We are always grateful for your homemade jams, chutneys, marmalades etc and we will be very grateful for donations to our stalls nearer the time.

This year we have Scarecrow and Carved Pumpkin Competitions. Please see details under EVENTS on our website or using Mychurchsuite. Or use this link

[HTC Harvest Fair - Scarecrow & Carved Pumpkin Competition \(10-Oct-2026\) .](#)

[ChurchSuite Events](#) – click the QR for entry forms



Please encourage friends and family to enter our competitions, the more the merrier! Thank you.

Shoe Box Appeal

As usual at their October meeting, Crafty Thursdays will be filling shoe boxes for the charity Link to Hope based at Ferring .The boxes are taken by the charity directly to the poorest people in Eastern Europe ..

Lynn Roberts has been selling plants this summer to raise money to purchase items from a cash and carry for the boxes and also to provide for transportation costs . Further donations would be welcome and we would also be pleased to receive donations of the following items by the end of September..

Sweets or chocolate (*long date please*), Socks, Toothpaste, Small colouring pads or notebooks, Packs of crayons, flannels & soap

Thank you so much for your support. Libby.

NEW HEAD CHORISTER - on Sunday 13th September,



Naysa became our new Head Chorister for the Junior Choir. She has been a valuable member of the Junior Choir for many years. Father Sam thanked our previous Head Chorister Freya who has moved up to the Adult Choir.

There are now 14 members of our Junior Choir aged 6 - 14. We still have a couple of vacancies so if you know a

child who may be interested in joining, please contact Jane O'Sullivan. They practise during termtime on Thursday evenings between 6.30pm and 7.30pm and sing at services on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.

We would also welcome new members of the adult choir - all voices.

Jane can be emailed on jane.osullivan@horshamholyltrinity.org.uk

COME AND SING CHORAL EVENSONG - a message from Jane. This service happens on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 6pm. Everyone is invited to attend - if you would like to sing with the choir there is a practice from 4.30pm. I sang at Evensong for the first time on 13th September and thoroughly enjoyed it. It is a great way to develop your singing skills without the commitment of joining the choir full time. Alexander Newton sets the music, plays the organ and tutors us in the responses and psalm. We also learn an anthem to sing during the service. Some of St Mary's choir join us so, together we make a beautiful sound.

Lizzie's story: *Joy Comes in the Morning* - you might recall from our Inclusive Church conversations the story of Lizzie Lowe, who tragically took her own life aged 14 because she was struggling with her sexuality and believed she couldn't talk openly about this with her family and church community. A new book about Lizzie's story and the journey of her church towards greater inclusion has just been released, called *Joy Comes in the Morning* by Christian pastor and author Chick Yuill. This book will be helpful for anyone who is trying to understand the importance of Christian inclusion and what can look like in practice. You can purchase a copy online through the Church House Bookshop -

<https://chbookshop.hymnsam.co.uk/books/9781917362269/joy-comes-in-the-morning>

Annual Plant & Produce Stall - Donation

Many thanks to those who supported Jane and Neil's summer plant and produce stall. Donations for the plants and produce amounted to £504.81. This is being given to the gynae/oncology charity GRACE in memory of Steph Bernard and in thanks for Jane's recovery from ovarian cancer 18 years ago.

Holy Trinity Gardening Club

At the end of the summer, Gardening Club hope to buy some winter bedding and bulbs for the planters outside the church to make the entrance attractive throughout the year. The club meets on Tuesdays from 3.30pm - 5pm, sometimes later when it's very hot. Just bring your gloves and pop along, or speak to Jane O'Sullivan or Ann Turner.

Safeguarding Training: Awareness of Domestic Abuse

Saturday 26th September 2026 at 10am

Venue: Holy Trinity Church

The Safeguarding Team will be running this face-to-face training again. This is a good quality course, sensitively delivered and we received great feedback when we ran this earlier in the year. The course is required for certain volunteer roles and so if you receive a request from Clare, please try to attend this or alternatively complete the course online. Anyone can undertake safeguarding training: if you don't hear directly from Clare but are interested to know more please do contact her.

safeguardinght@horshamholymtrinity.org.uk

RESUSCITATION TRAINING

Horsham Responders will be giving Resuscitation Training including knowing how to use an Automated Emergency Defibrillator on Tuesday September 22nd 7:45 p.m. for an 8:00pm start at St Leonards Church. If you are interested in this please turn up on the night – thank you.

Lap Blanket - Raffle



This lap blanket has been donated to be raffled.

It was being made for Steph Barnard by her friend Yvonne. Yvonne has given it to raise money for church funds and the shoe box appeal. The raffle will be drawn at the Harvest Fair on October 10th

Tickets are £1 each and will be available on Sundays at church or at Crafty Thursdays.

Libby Risby

Horsham Open Table @ Cornerstone - Open Table is a Christian community who genuinely welcomes, affirms, includes and empowers LGBTQ+ people, their loved ones and allies, and seeks to create a safe sacred space for everyone to explore their faith. Open Table Horsham meets every 2nd Sunday of the month from 4.30 pm at Cornerstone Methodist Church on London Road with time for refreshments, fellowship and a non-denominational communion service. The next meeting will be on **[11 October]** and the Open Table team would be glad to meet you and welcome you to their worship.

HARVEST FAIR

Fun for all the family

**SATURDAY 10TH OCTOBER
2026**

11AM UNTIL 3PM

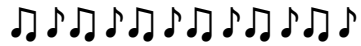
AT

**HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
RUSHAMS ROAD HORSHAM**

**REFRESHMENTS –
PLOUGHMANS LUNCHESES – STALLS –
GAMES – RAFFLE –
COMPETITION PRIZES**

**SCARECROW & CARVED PUMPKIN
COMPETITIONS – Scan the QR code to enter**





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RUSHAMS ROAD

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For further details, please email
jane.osullivan@horshamhollytrinity.org

COMMUNITY NOTICES



We would like to invite you (or someone from your organisation) to attend a 'Safe & Happy in Horsham' event as follows:

Community Safety Day of Learning

When: Tuesday 6 October, from 9:30-16:30

Where: Parkside in Horsham

Learn about Violence Against Women and Girls, risk outside the home, AI, community cohesion & mis/dis information, and intelligence-sharing.

For more information and to reserve a spot, please

see: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/safe-happy-in-horsham-tickets-1993532728054?aff=oddtcreator>

Kind regards

Sharon – Community Safety Officer

My name is Jess Blunden, and our team at Horsham District Council are working with partners to put on two Winter Warm Up events and some Winter Warm Up Fringe activities.

The aim of the Winter Warm Ups is to offer a fun, welcoming way for people age 50+ to try something new, get moving, get connected and feel more ready for winter.

We are emailing to ask you to help promote these events to those you work with and support. You will find attached digital versions of our flyer, posters and TV screen ad. We can also drop off printed flyers and posters.

These events are funded through NHS and Horsham District Council.

Here are the finer details of Winter Warm Ups:

There will be **two free activity days on:**

When/Where: **14th October, 10am – 3:30pm at The Bridge Leisure Centre, Broadbridge Heath**
15th October, 10am – 4pm at Chanctonbury Leisure Centre, Storrington

Who for: These are designed especially for the **over 50s** but is open to all

What: Variety of free activity taster sessions
Market stall area of local community support services & useful information
Health & Wellbeing drop-ins
Free hot soup and a roll / free hot drinks

Transport: CT Sussex are offering free transport. To arrange, visitors should call **01403 754206** for The Bridge and **01903 530053** for Chanctonbury Leisure Centre

Further Info: Feel free to browse Horsham District Council's webpage for further information. This is currently a holding page which will have updates added as schedules are confirmed.

<https://www.horsham.gov.uk/community/Winter-Warm-Ups>

These events are a fantastic way to support wellbeing and enjoy some time together.

If you have any questions, I'd be very happy to help.

Warm regards,

Jessica,

T'phone 01403 215076 – email jessica.blunden@horsham.gov.uk



OPEN TABLE

Come as you are

Registered Charity 1193868

'Open Table' is a Christian community who genuinely welcomes, affirms, includes and empowers people who are Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Queer or Questioning, Intersex, & Asexual (LGBTQIA+), our families, friends and anyone who wants to belong in an accepting loving community.

We recognize that organized religion has often made LGBTQIA+ people feel unwelcome. We have experienced hostility, rejection and felt isolated; just at the very times when we need affirmation of love, worth and belonging.

'Open Table' aims to create a safe sacred space for you to explore your faith and what it means for you in a safe, affirming community where ALL are included regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ability or faith. We find God and each other in our gatherings, finding time and peace to grow together.



Open Table - Horsham

**Whoever you are, wherever you come from,
you are more than welcome here.**

Open Table – Horsham meets every 2nd
Sunday of the month from 4.30pm for
refreshments, fellowship and a non-
denominational communion service.

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