



Sunday 6th September **14th Sunday after Trinity**

Reading: Psalm 150 (523/512LP)

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES AND EVENTS:

TODAY - SUNDAY 6th SEPTEMBER

9.30am – HOLY COMMUNION at Café Church – HTwSF

11am – MORNING WORSHIP – St. Mary's

4pm – ALL AGE FUN @ 4 with communion – HTwSF

MONDAY 7th SEPTEMBER

9 – 11am – TODDLERS & TOAST – HTwSF

5.30 – 7pm – YOUTH GROUP – HTwSF



TUESDAY 8th SEPTEMBER

7 – 7.15am – WAKE & PRAY - Zoom meeting

10.30am – All welcome to the SALT get together – HTwSF

(Sharing in Prayer and Learning Together from the Bible)

7 - 7.30pm – ZOOM EVENING PRAYER

WEDNESDAY 9th SEPTEMBER

9 – 11am – DROP IN CAFÉ – with jigsaw & book swap
& Prayers at 11am – HTwSF

6.30 – 8pm – YOUTH CAFÉ – HTwSF

THURSDAY 10th SEPTEMBER

7 – 7.15am – WAKE & PRAY – Zoom meeting

12 – 1pm – MIDDAY PRAYER – St. Mary's

7.30 – 9pm – LECTIO – WEEK 1 – Hearing from God
through the Bible – HTwSF

A Note from Esther...



Can you believe that we are at the start of September, where has that time gone. It feels like only yesterday that I was saying I'll see you in five weeks and here we are!

It has been a wonderful chance to recharge and spend time with God and my family this summer. From extra time with Noah and Sam to catching up with friends we don't get to see very often.

I have been struck by something during this season though, that God is always faithful, yesterday, today and forever. Whatever season of life we find ourselves in God is our constant, the one that is always there, the one who we can rely on.

In the hustle and bustle of life God is there, in the calmer moment God is there. I have been grateful to slow down for five weeks and to allow God to speak in the quieter times. I've learnt from Noah that there really is no age to start learning the stories of Jesus. After a couple of weeks away at Spring Harvest in France a Christian festival – Noah was retelling me the story of the resurrection which was a really beautiful moment – however it was mummy running from the tomb to tell the disciples not Mary, but I think that's ok for now!

I don't know what all your summers have been like, but I hope during this time you have had chance to spend a little time with God, a moment in the busy-ness or in the quiet.

Over the autumn there are lots of chances to go deeper with your faith or even to invite others in to learn more with Lectio and Alpha starting! Why not have a think about who you could invite along in this new season?

Love and Prayers

Esther x



Things to look out for in the Autumn Term:



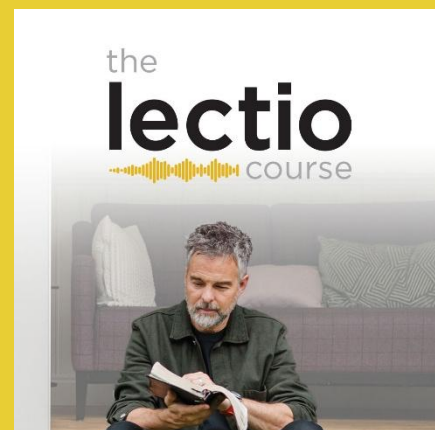
THE LECTIO COURSE

"How can I grow in my prayer life?"

"What on earth is God saying?"

"How do I make sense of the Bible?"

The Lectio Course focuses on learning to hear God's voice through lectio divina, an ancient way of reading the Bible. These 5 weeks will equip you to grow in prayer, discern God's voice and fall in love with the Bible.



STARTING THURSDAY 10TH SEPT & RUNNING FOR 5 CONSECUTIVE WEEKS



THE ALPHA COURSE

Returning by popular demand, the ALPHA course is a series of interactive sessions that explore the basics of the Christian faith.

- If you are new(ish) to faith (in the last couple of years), then ALPHA is for you!
- If you know people who are interested in the Christian faith but haven't come to church yet.... ALPHA is for them too!
- If you've been coming to church for a while but would like a refresher of the basics of the Christian faith, ALPHA is for you.

It will cover topics such as:

"Why did Jesus die?"

"How can I resist evil?"

"Why and how do I read the Bible?"

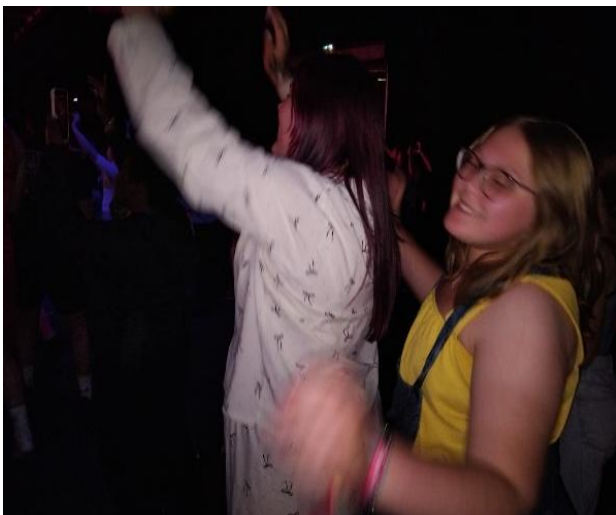
"Does God heal today?"

STARTING TUESDAY 13TH OCT

Photo highlights from August



***The DTI Festival
(Dreaming the
Impossible)
attended by some
of our young
people who are
undertaking the
Young Leaders
Programmes***

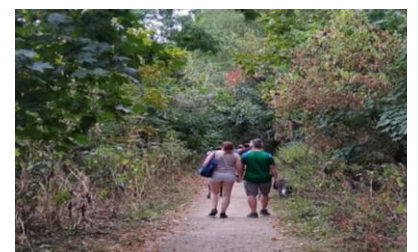




***Logan and Isabelle
get baptised***



***Harvester Walk
from St. Mary's***



Featuring
jazz singer
Jeanie Barton

Shell's & Belles

*The all-girl
Swing Band*



Friday 25th September 2026 7.30pm
Holy Trinity with Saint Francis Church
Southchurch Drive, Clifton, NG11 9DG

Raising money for the church heating
Tickets £10 or £8 concessions

Bring your own refreshments
Raffle

Tickets available from Holy Trinity with Saint Francis Church
or pay on the night

VOLUNTEER THANKS

We are truly thankful to everyone who gives so much time and energy to make ministry and mission happen across Clifton parish. Whilst August has been a little quieter, there has still been so much going on behind the scenes: cleaning, sorting, gardening, making tea and toast, welcoming, fundraising, Sunday services, admin!

THANK YOU to everyone who contributes to the life of our church – you are amazing!



NEW VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES:

There are so many ways to get involved at church – please do speak to Lydia and Esther about what you'd like to have a go at: from reading to prayers and cleaning to welcoming!

This autumn there are two new opportunities:

1. We need some help with sound and visuals across all the services. This is a behind the scenes role that has a bit impact on the smooth running of our services. If you think this is something you could help with we are having a training session on:



***SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 1-3pm at HTwSF
Please let Matthew or Lydia know you can come.***



2. Joanne does an amazing job as treasurer, but with such a busy parish and with all the extra fundraising happening, she would someone to come alongside her as deputy treasurer. Full training would be given.

Please speak to Joanne or Lydia for further information.

UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SUNDAY 13th SEPTEMBER

9.30am – MORNING WORSHIP at Café Church – HTwSF

9.30am – 10.30am - HOLY COMMUNION – St. Mary's

11am – HOLY COMMUNION *with Shooting Stars Group* – St. Mary's

4pm – FUN @ 4 – HTwSF

THINGS TO LOOK FORWARD TO:

- Tuesday 15th September – 7pm for 7.30pm – PCC MEETING - HTwSF
- Friday 25th September – 10am – 12 noon – COFFEE MORNING – St. Mary's
- Friday 25th September – 7.30pm – SHELL'S BELL'S SWING BAND – HTwSF – tickets available NOW - £10 / £8 concessions
- Sunday 27th Sept – 11am – CLIFTON CHURCHES TOGETHER Joint Service – HTwSF (*there will be no other service across the parish that day*).
- Tuesday 13th October – Alpha Course – Week 1 – HTwSF
- Saturday 17th October – 10–12 noon – SEND CHURCH – HTwSF
- Saturday 31st October – 5–7pm – LIGHT NIGHT – HTwSF
- Saturday 5th December – 10-12noon – SEND CHURCH CHRISTMAS SPECIAL – HTwSF
- Saturday 5th December – 3-5pm – CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA – HTwSF

Prayer Link for ALL ZOOM prayer meetings:

ZOOM - Meeting ID: 892 4623 8444 / Passcode: prayer

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89246238444?pwd=MHpQZnl6Vnl2bStOSVY2VnlDb3lCdz09>

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