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HOLY TRINITY, ABBOTS LEIGH
WITH
ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN, LEIGH WOODS

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 6.30-8.30pm: Yoga

Monthly events

1st Tuesday: Men's Social Group,
The George 5-7pm
2nd Tuesday: WI 7.30-9.30pm, Village Hall

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From our vicar, the Reverend Rosemary Radcliffe

We all have a spiritual side



Dear all - September sees the start of a new academic year, with nights beginning to get darker and mornings having that crisp cool feel. Perhaps your thoughts turn to ponderings of what's new, getting to grips with changes in everyday life, or a return to the "normal routine" after the summer holidays. In the churches of Abbots Leigh with Leigh Woods, we are making some changes to our pattern of service, moving the Family Communion service to the third Sunday of the month, at Holy Trinity (AL), and making the fourth Sunday at St Mary's (LW) the more formal Parish Communion. This is both in response to some suggestions from families, and to give us space to develop the spirituality of each place.

Have you noticed the way some places feel special? I think there are places around us that, when we stop and pay attention, generate a sense of peace or connection within us. Others have a more energetic vibe. When you walk around the church yards, or visit particular areas of Abbots Pool or Leigh Woods, do you notice how different they feel?

How we connect to spaces spiritually helps our inner wellbeing and mental health. Finding, or rather making, time to stop and "be" is vitally important. Jesus frequently made time, usually early in the morning, to go by himself to a remote place and pray; to talk with God, his father. We don't know what he said but, if we live with Christ as our role-model, it's clearly important that we make the time to do the same.

Bristol Diocese are launching a new course, **Sanctum (see page 5)**, to enable people to explore what it might mean for them to become a spiritual director or companion: someone who helps others stop and be, who helps them talk with God. They are frequently natural listeners, who ask deep questions, prompting others to discover more about themselves. If you know someone or think this might be for you, please get in touch, either directly with the diocese, or with me, and we can chat about it informally.

We all have a spiritual side and looking after that is just as important as eating well and exercising regularly. We probably all have times when we neglect aspects of that because life is just so busy, and there are great demands on us but, as we enter this next season of the year, please take time to pause and ponder, to think about how you might nourish your inner self and allow yourself some time just to be.

"Be still and know that I am God" Psalm 46:10 forms the base of a Taize Chant, encouraging us to do just that: to be still and become aware of God's presence. Our regular Taize service on the fourth Sunday, at St Mary's from 6:30pm is an opportunity to sit and allow the stillness and spirituality of the church to flow in and around us.

Why don't you give yourself the gift of time and come and be filled with the peace of God that surpasses all understanding?

With love,
 Reverend Rosemary

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Musical Performance by
West Gallery Quire
&
Churchyard Tours

Come and hear
music sung in our country
churches in the 18th and 19th century,
well before organs were installed!

Doors open 2pm, singing from 2:30pm.
Refreshments from 3pm

With guided tours of our beautiful
churchyard and the rich history within to
follow. Tour tickets - £10
For more information and to book tours,
please contact
ALandLWChurches@gmail.com

Holy Trinity Church
Saturday 19th September 2026

SANCTUM – SPIRITUAL DIRECTION FORMATION & TRAINING

An online evening course with three in-person days, January 2027 to December 2027

Applications are now open for Sanctum, the Diocese of Bristol's new formation and training course in spiritual direction, launching in January 2027. Designed to be accessible to a greater diversity of students, the course will meet fortnightly online during term time, with three in-person Saturdays each year. Each session will include teaching, drawing upon biblical, theological and psychological perspectives, alongside a breadth of Christian spiritual wisdom and prayer including poetry, music and art. Students will develop practical skills through work in pairs and triads and will be supported throughout their formation by a personal tutor, learning community and regular appraisals to aid growth and vocational discernment.

Closing date for applications & references: Friday, October 2, 2026

Further details, including the brochure, course programme and application forms are available from: mmsupport@bristololdiocese.org

Harvest Thanksgiving Service at Holy Trinity



Sunday, October 4, 10:30am: Harvest Thanksgiving Service, please bring donations for the Foodbank. Most needed items: tinned fruit, meat, fish, rice, long life milk, biscuits, instant coffee, long life fruit juice, peanut butter/jam, crisps/nibbles, custard.

If you can't get to the shops or to church then consider buying directly for them via their website:
www.bristolnorthwestfoodbank.org.uk/donate-food
Thank you, Rev Rosemary

CHURCH CONTACTS

PARISH ADMIN: Contact Abi Kirby for enquiries about weddings, funerals or baptisms.

Email: alandlwchurches@gmail.com Tel: 07587 649391

For inquiries about Holy Trinity or St Mary's please contact Michael Bothamley (Churchwarden)

Email: michaelbothamley@hotmail.com Tel: 07747101752

If you have information about those who are ill, at home or in hospital, who would like to be visited, please contact our Pastoral Team co-ordinator Alan Shellard, tel: 0117 974 1494 alanshellard@gmail.com

Websites: Leigh Woods leighwoods.org - St Mary's, BS8 3PG

Abbots Leigh www.abbotsleighparish.gov.uk - Holy Trinity, BS8 3QU

United Parish website: www.theparishchurch.com

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL WEBSITE: www.theparishchurch.com

Keep up-to-date on the events and highlights of our united parish.

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News from Abbots Leigh Parish Council

Traffic matters

Speed Interactive Display signs: North Somerset Council has formulated a policy to facilitate parish councils in purchasing Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs). The first part of the process is for the parish council to make a formal application via a Highway Improvement Request Form, which Abbots Leigh Parish Council has done.



Now that NSC has received and processed the application it will assign an officer to work through the process of agreeing sign type and location(s) with the PC. NSC will cover the costs of this process, including the cost estimate for the installation and ongoing maintenance of the signs.

Horse rider warning signs have been put up on Manor Road and Weir Lane.

Manor Lane: Residents of Manor Lane are concerned about the danger to children caused by speeding traffic using that narrow road as a cut through to the A369.

Traffic calming measures including speed cushions have been considered, but the costs would be prohibitive as these can only be used on adequately lit streets with illuminated warning signs.

Other options for calming or restricting the amount of speeding traffic on Manor Lane are being explored.

Abbots Pool aeration update

During the first heatwave at the end of June a number of fish died in Abbots Pool due to a lack of oxygen.

Rather than relying on the intermittent use of a petrol-driven pump to drop water into

the pool, a more sustainable solution has been sought. The preferred solution is to have a solar-powered air blower fitted about 600mm below water level which would run for about six hours a night.

The remote control for the timer would run from the bank while the solar panels and battery would sit on the southern end of the island (on the opposite end from the dam) with a scaffold tube bracket bolted to the existing concrete slab of the island to support the blower under the water.

The cost of the supply and installation will be funded by North Somerset Council.

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Community Payback Team

The Payback team had more productive sessions in the churchyard in July and August clearing vegetation, clearing out the overgrown old brick shed, weeding the paths and cutting back ivy from overgrown graves. There is one more session planned, but on account of potentially clashing with a wedding this has been postponed, and path clearance work will be resumed in the meantime.

Parish Council meetings

Residents are very welcome to attend Parish Council meetings, usually held on the second Monday of each month. If you would like to discuss a parish matter at the beginning of the meeting, contact Nic Rice, Clerk to the Parish Council, in advance.

Our next meeting is on **Monday, September 21 at 7pm** in the John Butler Room in the village hall. The agenda and minutes are available on the village website.

Meet the Parish Councillors

Surgeries are held on the second Saturday of the month, 9.30am-10.30am in the Bike Shed Café, when at least two parish councillors are available to chat with residents about village matters.

The next surgery is scheduled for Saturday, September 12. Dates of these surgeries are also on the website.

Parish Council: Planning applications

Application	Site	Proposal	PC Comment	NSC Outcome
26/P/0295/ FUL	Land North West Of Stoke Leigh Lodge Abbots Leigh Road Abbots Leigh	Proposed erection of an agricultural polytunnel.	Object: Polytunnel is a permanent structure in an agricultural holding of only 2 acres which will have significant effect on the openness of the green belt adjacent to a SSSI and Grade II listed park and garden and which cannot be easily screened for mitigation.	Approve
26/P/0409/ FUL	Mere Green, Glen Avenue, Abbots Leigh BS8 3SD	Proposed replacement dwelling and associated landscaping.	No objections. This is a replacement of a previously approved extension to an existing property with similar proportions 23/P/2527/FUH	Registered. Additional ecological information provided
26/P/0813/ FUH	Whiteoaks Manor Road Abbots Leigh BS8 3RT	Certificate of lawfulness for use of land which historically formed part of residential curtilage of Tree Tops.	Object: The land in question was never curtilage and the parking was never used for the enjoyment used as hardstanding/parking incidental to the enjoyment of the Tree Tops dwelling house.	Registered
25/P/2595/ FUL	Bristol and Clifton Golf Club Land West of Weir Lane Failand	Proposed academy golf facility and creation of irrigation ponds	Object: The importation of 326,135 tonnes of fill resulting in an average of one 8 wheeler lorry movement every six minutes on Weir Lane.	Registered. Further information requested.

Parish Councillors

Simon Talbot-Ponsonby (Chair) Planning, Village Hall, Old School Field, Skittle Alley

Kamala Das (Vice-chair) Highways, Cycle Network, Verges

Ros Delany Community Groups, Civic Society Liaison, Link Contributions, Village Green, Abbots Leigh Charities

Jenna Ho Marris (also North Somerset Councillor) Liaison with District Council, Recycling and Rubbish (including litter pick), Community Innovation

Martin Walker Finance, Abbots Pool, Public Footpaths, Website

Nic Rice Clerk to the Council who works out of the Resource Centre in Pill. Secretariat, Insurance, Police Coordination, Village Orderly

If you have a concern or query, contact the relevant councillor via email.

The Parish website is now abbotsleighparish.gov.uk and parish email addresses are now:

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Contact the Parish Clerk on parishclerk@abbotsleighparish.gov.uk or phone 01275 374442



Message from Pill Ward Councillor Jenna Ho Marris

Emergency planning

I hope you have had a restful summer amidst the extraordinary heat and wildfires. The Met Office confirmed the driest July since records started in 1836 and it is looking like the hottest summer on record too.

We are lucky that Leigh Woods, Ashton Court and local fields were spared, and that Pill fire station and others are close by. I have written to Avon Fire & Rescue Service to ask how we can support the new challenges they are facing, especially since Government has put pressure on Avon Fire Authority to cut budgets. We have 250 fewer firefighters in Avon compared with 2010, or 10,000 fewer across the country. One thing I have learned is that local services are never a given - be ready to put up a fight!

We know that extreme weather caused by carbon emissions heating up the planet is here to stay and getting worse. There is something called the Community Risk Register which you can download from the Avon and Somerset Police website. The biggest threat to the whole area is, in fact, flooding, with all the knock-on effects such as power cuts and infrastructure going down. Are we prepared?

While emergency services and the council are among first tier responders it seems odd that town and parish councils are not listed. During Covid, neighbours looking out for each other did so much to keep people safe and well. So I am pleased that in autumn, NSC is inviting parish councils to join the emergency planning process. ALPC will work out a plan with the community and I hope you will take part.

Making the most of Neighbourhood Health

Neighbourhood Health is another Department of Health and Social Care policy. I chair North Somerset's Health and Wellbeing Board, which now has until March 2027 to finalise a Neighbourhood Health plan. Neighbourhood Health is about healthy neighbourhoods. Residents need good access to healthcare like GPs, nursing, A&E, but it is interesting that up to 80% of health outcomes relate to socio-economic factors like jobs, housing and environmental pollution/ hazards. It has not been easy to get some partners to take part - such as the police! So we will take the plan to them. Please get in touch if you have thoughts about Neighbourhood Health.

Get in touch If you need to contact me please email jenna.homarris@n-somerset.gov.uk or jenna@abbotsleighparish.gov.uk or call 07385 010 137 (leave a message). I am now back attending Pill Repair Café which is every second Saturday of the month, 10:30-12:30, please come and say hello.

Village Agent For Abbots Leigh & Leigh Woods

Janet Tyler is the new Village Agent for Abbots Leigh and Leigh Woods.

Janet's role is to connect people living in rural areas with advice and support services that help them maintain independent living. She provides a friendly, free and confidential service for anyone aged 50 and over.

She can help on issues such as: living at home; care and support services; details of local social groups and activities. Call 07985 017655 or email janet@wern.org.uk.

Abbots Pool Working Party

We have had a very productive couple of working parties. The focus has been clearing paths of summer growth, cutting back the stinging nettles and reclaiming some of the overgrown paths, bridleway and driveway.

There has been a lot going on at the pool this summer. In the first heat wave, the oxygen levels in the pool dropped, causing many fish to die. Thanks to Warren, Chris and the wildlife group for manning the pump. Infuriatingly the pump was promptly stolen but thanks to the parish council we have a new one. There are plans for another solution (**see page 7**).

NSC has replaced the picnic table over the wooden bridge, which was graffitied the very next day, however we did manage to clean most of it off.

A van was set alight which the fire brigade attended and thankfully there was no major damage to the reserve in this very dry weather. We swept up tiny pieces of glass as much as we could. As I am sure you have all read, glass has been the cause of some of the wildfire that the world is experiencing.

Next working party is **Sunday, September 13**, 10am-noon. Meet at the car park.

If you would like to join the working party, please pop along or send me a message on 07989514048 and I will add you to the WhatsApp group.

Jo Chiverton



ABBOTS POOL CELEBRATION

On Saturday, October 3, an exhibition will be held in the Village Hall 10am-4pm. There will be displays showing Abbots Pool developing over the last 20 years. In 2006 the pool gained a Heritage Lottery Grant for £28,500, the following year it was awarded its first Green Flag and then for every year since. The volunteers and Wildlife Group have improved the pool area during these two decades, resulting in the beautiful place we all enjoy.



ABBOTS LEIGH WI



At the meeting on Tuesday, September 8, Andy Stowe will give a talk about 'Interesting items at auctions'.

We will also meet on Tuesday, October 13, when our guest speaker Roger Mellors will give us a virtual tour of the Botanic Gardens.

We did not meet in August but members enjoyed an outing to meet and greet the alpacas at Bell Farm, Pensford (pictured above) followed by a delicious cream tea.

Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month, 7.30pm in Abbots Leigh Village Hall. Visitors are always very welcome.

Louise Wall louiseaw@aol.com





CLIFTON SUSPENSION BRIDGE

Heritage Open Days: The Unexpected Investors

Visitors will be able to explore insights into the lives of local investors who helped fund the completion of the bridge in the 1860s, when the Bridge Museum holds Heritage Open Days on September 12 and 13.

Visit the museum between 11am and 2pm to learn from the Archive Team about the families, work and lives of the small investors. View original cash books and explore the growing database of names involved with the building of the bridge.

Dr Laura Hilton, Visitor Experience Manager

Residents Summer Party

The Leigh Woods Summer Party in June was a very well attended event in the grounds of St Mary's Church. The weather was lovely and the barbecue went well with delicious food and home-made marinades as well as wines and beer served by the fantastic team of volunteers led by Leigh Woods Resident Group. Face painting, a children's quiz plus a gathering of lots of lovely neighbours made for a very convivial event.

Bristol Real Tennis Club

The new season starts in September at the Real Tennis Club on Clifton College playing fields. If you want to have a go call the pros, Zak and Ben. It's fun, interesting and within walking distance. Call 0117 973 3444 or see online at www.bristolrealtenniscub.com

Leigh Woods local history

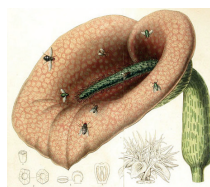
The Dead Horse Arums

Ah, summer - that time of year when a certain corner of Leigh Woods starts smelling of... rotten flesh?

Walter Melville Wills built Bracken Hill House in 1886 and, along with Burwalls House near the bridge, the family gave the property and its grounds to the University of Bristol. From 1959 to the early 2000s, it was the site of the university's botanical garden (now in Stoke Bishop). One legacy of this era lives on at Woodleigh on North Road. In 2003, a dead horse arum (*H. muscivorus*) appeared and flowered. This is a large and dramatic flower not native to the UK. It lures flies by mimicking the smell of carrion.

They were not seen again for 16 years, until a group was spotted at the base of a laurel hedge. University staff told me the arums had almost certainly come from the Bracken Hill site as they had cultivated specimens there before it closed. Before 2003 Woodleigh had a gardener from the university and it was believed the seeds had made their way to the house from compost at Bracken Hill. I potted some of these specimens back in 2021 and they have been flowering since 2024.

Ashley Coates, author of Know Bristol: A Compendium of 365 Bristolian Facts



Nature Notes

Veterans are vital for wildlife

When walking through Leigh Woods you've probably noticed the ancient and veteran trees, whose large trunks may be hollowed out or have large rot holes and cavities, ferns and lichens growing up the trunk and deadwood branches in the crown.

There were 390 live veteran trees mapped in the National Trust part of the woods in 2017, many of which are found in the historic wood pasture where the cattle graze, as well as the ancient woodland. The wood pasture was part of the Ashton Court Estate, holding one of the largest populations of veteran trees in the South West. Both the pasture and the estate are designated Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI), partly for the rare deadwood invertebrates found in these old trees. About 300 of the ancient and veteran trees are old oak pollards, as well as some lime trees, ash, a rare wild service tree, several field maples, a beech, a common whitebeam and two yews including the well known 'yew in the wall'.

The veteran trees are irreplaceable ecological keystone structures, as the microhabitats such as rot holes support a great diversity of wildlife including rare species of fungi, lichens, mosses, invertebrates, bats and birds. The National Trust works hard to protect these trees, carefully placing some logs or dead hedging around the root plate to prevent damage and thinning the younger, taller trees which can shade out the veterans. They also identify successor veteran trees to ensure there are replacements going forward.

As September arrives, we'll start to see how the dry spell has shaped this year's acorn crop. Oaks naturally have 'mast years' with bumper harvests, followed by lighter years as part of their seasonal cycle, but the weather can affect the yield. The end of summer also brings the first conkers, with prickly horse chestnut cases splitting to reveal their shiny brown seeds loved by young and old! Comma and red admiral butterflies will be feeding on overripe blackberries, while dormice busily stock up for their winter hibernation. Birds will be feasting on berries in the woodlands too, and young robins and wrens can be heard calling loudly from the bushes, whilst other birds are beginning their annual migrations to warmer climes. As autumn moves in, we can enjoy the array of reds, browns and yellows as the leaves begin to turn on all the trees - including the mighty veterans.

Beatrice Comins, Biodiversity Engagement Officer Bristol Zoological Society

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Get in touch: For general information email: leighwoodsrg@gmail.com
Facebook: 'Leigh Woods Residents Group' Website: www.leighwoods.org



Leigh Woods National Trust News

By late August it was already looking autumnal in the woods. The heat and lack of rain have had a big impact, and the NT is adjusting its plans going forward. We have done some judicious management of brambles and brush to ensure popular trails remain open but want to leave as many blackberries and other fruit for birds as possible. The first berries ripened early, but the later ones didn't develop at all so there will be slim pickings to see wildlife into autumn and through winter.

The six cattle roaming the site since late July look very much at home. They have been exploring Nightingale Valley, which is cooler and greener than elsewhere.

The Balloon Fiesta didn't create any serious littering issues in the woods, though the available litter and dog poo bins filled quickly and there was a bit of delay in the council emptying theirs. There was evidence of a disposable barbecue being used (well before the recent ban) but overall, there were fewer signs of fire activity than in previous years. Fires of any kind are prohibited in the bye-laws for Leigh Woods and - given the obvious current high risks - most have been heeding the warnings.

The bird surveys in July and August saw fewer species and lower numbers than earlier in the year. We hope that this is because the birds were saving energy and keeping as cool as possible, so were difficult to see or even hear, rather than anything more worrying. On the positive side a spotted flycatcher was heard at several locations in July. This bird is more usually associated with the Côte d'Azur, so if anyone actually saw one, we would like confirmation.

The peregrines did nest and raise their five chicks on the Leigh Woods side of the Gorge this year. They all fledged successfully and one even got itself ringed.

Haydn Davies, NT Volunteer



Hamnet

When: Wednesday, September 23

Where: St Mary's Church, Leigh Woods

Time: Doors open at 6.45pm. Film starts at 7.30pm. A complimentary glass of wine or soft drink included in your ticket price.

Tickets: New season tickets for 2026-2027 available for £40 or £6 cash each showing payable on the door. Please have correct change if possible.

In late 16th Century England, Agnes, a healer sensitive to the world around her, builds a home with William, a local tutor and aspiring playwright. This film tells the powerful story of love and loss that inspired the creation of Hamlet. Brilliant cast and a wonderful Oscar-winning performance by Jessie Buckley.

Stars: Jessie Buckley, Paul Mescal, Emily Watson, Jacobi Jupe. Director: Chloe Zhao
BBFC rating 12A UK2025 125 mins

All films shown with sub-titles. For information contact angelaprobryn@gmail.com.

You are welcome to invite friends and neighbours.



ABBOTS LEIGH CIVIC SOCIETY

A big hello to the village and a warm welcome to all newcomers to the village – here are some highlights of what's ahead in Abbots Leigh:



Thursday, September 24: A Village Golf Day with a cup to win, longest drive and closest to the pin awards, followed by something to eat at the Bristol and Clifton Golf Club. Drinks at The George afterwards for players and supporters. Please contact Nick Wallum for more details.

Thursday, November 5: Preparations will soon be under way for the Village Bonfire Night and Fireworks Display. This is a fantastic village event and one of the highlights of the year. There will be fireworks, hotdogs, a sweets stall and a well-stocked bar for all to come together and enjoy the evening.

If you would like to help on the evening or set-up beforehand or be part of the clear-up team, please get in touch with any member of the ALCS team or email abbotsleighcivicsociety@gmail.com – volunteering is apparently very good for your health! See you in September!

Henry, Eleni, Neil, Rosie, Jon, Adri and Rachael
(Abbots Leigh Civic Society Committee)

TEA TIME SPECIAL

Monday, September 21, at St Mary's Leigh Woods, 2.30pm: Kate Groves will talk about the work of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. £2.50 to include tea and cakes. All welcome. Please do come along.

Are you free on a Monday afternoon? Come for a chat, a cup of tea and delicious cake. We meet in the vestry at St Mary's Church, Leigh Woods, at 2.30pm on the third Monday of each month.
alanshellard@gmail.com



ST MARY'S CHURCH GARDENING

The next gardening session at St Mary's Church, Leigh Woods, will take place on Saturday, September 19 (NOT September 12) from 10am until noon. Come and help to keep the churchyard looking good. Please bring gloves (and tools if you have them). All ages welcome.

WEST OF ENGLAND HERB GROUP

Tuesday, September 22, at 7.30pm, Abbots Leigh Village Hall.
'Herbs for Winter Wellness' - Sarah-Jane Cobley will talk about herbs that can support our well-being and immunity. All welcome. Visitors £7 per meeting.

MOBILE LIBRARY

Coming visits by the Mobile Library:

Sept 10 & 24 (Thursdays): Leigh Woods, Church Road, 1.30-2pm;
Abbots Leigh, Church Road, 2.10-3.10pm.

October 8 & 22, November 5 & 19, December 3 & 17

Please note stops and timings may be subject to change.

For more information call 01275 888 864 or email mobile.library@n-somerset.gov.uk.

Visit www.librarieswest.org.uk or the LibrariesWest App.



Church services

	CHURCH	SERVICE	READERS	READINGS
6 Sept	Trinity 14	Green		
9.30am	Holy Trinity	Family Worship	Nicky Walker	Matt. 18: 15-20
10.30am	Holy Trinity	Parish Communion	Annabel Watkinson	Rom. 13: 8-end
			Nick Ball	Matt. 18: 15-20
13 Sept	Trinity 15	Green		
10.30am	St Mary's	Parish Communion	Ginny Owen	Rom. 14: 1-12
			Gill Millar	Matt. 18: 21-35
20 Sept	Trinity 16	Green		
10.30am	Holy Trinity	Family Communion	Talbot family	Matt. 20: 1-16
27 Sept	Trinity 17	Green		
10.30am	St Mary's	Parish Communion	Phillippa Scriven	Phil. 2: 1-13
			Peter Innocent	Matt. 21: 23-32
6.30pm	St Mary's	Taizé	TBA	TBA
4 Oct	Trinity 18	Green		
9.00am	Holy Trinity	BCP Communion	TBA	TBA
10.30am	Holy Trinity	Harvest Thanksgiving	Vicky Dominey	Luke 12: 16-30

Bell ringing

A full peal will be rung at Holy Trinity, on Friday, September 18, from just after 5pm. As part of a progression of peals taking place across Bristol in August and September,



we will be welcoming Bristol Bell Ringers, who are hoping to ring 147 methods in one peal at six different bell towers.

A full peal can last up to three hours, and demands great endurance and technical skill. Please get in touch if you'd like to know more.

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