

UPPER THAMES NEWS

15 May 2026

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Sunday 17 May - Easter 7

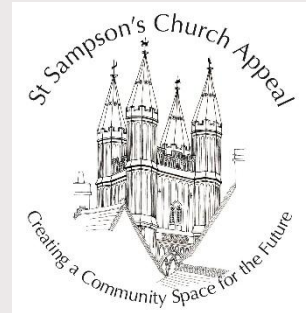
- St Sampson's
 - 8am Holy Communion followed by breakfast
 - 10am Morning Worship - **Christian Aid service** with Cricklade United Church - *with the music group*
 - 6.30pm Evensong
- Holy Cross
 - 10am Around the Table
 - 6pm Evensong
- St John the Baptist
 - 10am Holy Communion
- Readings:
 - [Acts 1:6-14](#)
 - [John 17:1-11](#)



Concert on Saturday 27 June 5pm at St Sampson's

This concert comes at the end of our Come & Sing day. Both are in aid of the St Sampson's Church Appeal.

Tickets are also available on the door. Please join us.



Beautiful choral music with instrumental accompaniment in the atmospheric setting of St Sampson's Church.

RUTTER'S REQUIEM

PLUS FAURÉ'S CANTIQUE DE JEAN RACINE

*Directed by Mark Lee, Director of Music
at Bristol Cathedral*

27th June 2026 at 5pm
St Sampson's Church, Cricklade

Tickets available from
Ticketsource
or scan the QR code



£12 (to include a glass
of wine/soft drink)

Reminders:

Christian Apps, Podcasts, Programmes, etc.

Do you have a favourite (or several favourite) apps, websites, TV or radio programmes you regularly tune into that grow, feed or otherwise enhance your Christian life? If so, the St



Sampson's church wardens would love to hear from you, no matter which of our Upper Thames churches you attend.

They are in the process of combining and updating our existing information into a list that can be circulated around the group and shared amongst ourselves and with visitors to our churches, which they would very much like to reflect our collective Christian habits.

Please speak to Adina or Ruth, or email Adina at janda.grace447@outlook.com or Ruth at ruthderham@outlook.com.

Thank you!

Filling Station Thursday 21 May

Dear Friends, our next Filling Station session is next Thursday. Please can we ask for your continued support and generosity, for this worthwhile cause. Food for the evening of 21 May is the main priority. We would be grateful to receive offers of the following:

- loaves of sandwiches
- individually wrapped biscuits
- oranges and bananas
- small bottles/ cartons of fruit juice and water

In addition, toilet rolls and tins with ring-pulls are welcomed, because these are offered to those who are homeless or sofa surfing.

Barbara and I look forward to seeing you on the 21 May, when you drop donations off at 5 Abingdon Court Farm, between 9am and 1.30pm. (Please note shortened opening hours, on this occasion!). We hope you will be able to pop in for a cup of tea and a chat. Your friendship and the fellowship we enjoy together, is a valued part of this endeavour.

All good wishes, Ruth & Barbara 🙏

St Sampson's Tower Tours - first one next Saturday 23 May

Cakes needed for refreshments. Please sign form in St Sampson's if you are able to provide any or contact Sharon Smith 751375

sharonsmith54@hotmail.com



St Sampson's Church
Tower Open
Saturday
23 May, 6 June, 5 Sept
2pm-4pm

Enjoy the wonderful views of
Cricklade and beyond

Please make a donation in aid of the refurbishment
Drinks and cakes available.

Note: weather dependent. There are 120 steps.
Proper shoes required. Minimum age: 8.

Malmesbury & District Foodbank

Click on the **link** above for a pdf with more information on where you can drop off food in Cricklade, Ashton Keynes and Latton. Click on the **logo** for the Foodbank homepage.



May services

- **Sunday 24 May - Pentecost**
 - St Sampson's
 - 10am Upper Thames Worship Together Holy Communion with prayers for healing
 - Holy Cross
 - 8.30am Holy Communion

- **Sunday 31 May**
 - 10am Worship Together at All Saints, Leigh

Morning Prayers

- **Monday Morning Prayers at 9am on Zoom - 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
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77713838432?pwd=AzDJt5p8Rs3WxmbjI3sSFVEEMFpAuF.1>
Meeting ID: [777 1383 8432](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77713838432?pwd=AzDJt5p8Rs3WxmbjI3sSFVEEMFpAuF.1)
Passcode: 1FLvt0

- **Thursday Morning Prayers in the Lady Chapel in 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 and we meet at 8.30am to enjoy coffee and the Iona Community's 'Wee Worship Book', and finish by 9.30am.

Church opening times

- **St Sampson's:** every day, 9am – 3pm
- **Holy Cross:** Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 10am - 4pm
- **St John the Baptist Latton:** Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, 10am - 4pm

What3Words locations for our churches *(for use on the What3Words app)*

- St Sampson's: unopposed.remotest.raft
- Holy Cross (entrance to car park): ideals.conga.flushes
- St John the Baptist: roadways.handwriting.trample
- All Saints: powers.party.zinc
- Waterhay (Old Chancel): leaky.refrained.marketing



St Sampson's, Cricklade

Holy Cross, Ashton Keynes

St John the Baptist, Latton

All Saints, Leigh

Parish Office, Jenner Hall, Bath Road, Cricklade, Wiltshire, SN6 6AX

Usual office opening hours:

9.30am - 12pm

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

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