## **Diary**

Mon 14th Oct 9.00am Morning Prayer Zoom

Thur 17th Oct 9.00am Wild Wanderings Highnam Academy

10.00am Rudford Retreats Rudford

Sat 19th Oct 10.00am Bulb Planting Event Highnam Church

#### **Sunday 20th October**

9.30am Holy Communion—Harvest Minsterworth Church
11.00am Holy Communion - Harvest Highnam Church
12.30pm Wedding and Baptism booking meeting at Highnam church

5.00pm Family Huddle Highnam Academy

In aid of Highnam Church

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Church'.



# The United Benefice of Highnam, Tibberton with Rudford and Taynton and the Parish of Minsterworth

# Sunday 13th October

# Twentieth Sunday after Trinity



#### A very warm welcome to our services

If you are visiting or worshipping with us for the first time, we do hope that you will enjoy the service.

Please introduce yourself to the clergy and the worship team.

#### Sunday 13th October - Today's Services

9.30am Holy Communion Tibberton11.00am Holy Communion—Harvest Taynton

11.00am The 11 O Clock Minsterworth

#### Bible Readings—Tibberton

Amos 5.6-7,10-15 Hebrews 4.12-end Mark 10.17-31

#### Bible Readings—Taynton

Joel 2.21-27 1 Timothy 2.1-7 Matthew 6.25-33

#### Collect

God, our light and our salvation:
illuminate our lives,
that we may see your goodness in the
land of the living,
and looking on your beauty
may be changed into the likeness of
Jesus Christ our Lord.



# <u>Looking Forward—Harvest in the Benefice</u>

Harvest will be celebrated at a number of services and events across the benefice this year.

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October 9.30am at Taynton—Harvest Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October 9.30am at Minsterworth —Harvest 11.00am at Highnam –Harvest

This year we will be collecting for the Lords Larder based in Newent. Please bring donations to the service. A list of items they are accepting this year is below.

#### **Tinned Food**

 Potatoes/Carrots/Peas, Tomatoes/Sweet-corn,Baked beans/ Beans, Spaghetti/Ravioli/Macaroni, Soup,Ham, Corned beef/ Luncheon meat, Mince/Steak/Meat products,Tuna/Salmon, Sardines/Pilchards,Rice pudding/Sponge pudding, Fruit, Custard/ Condensed milk.

#### **Packet Foods**

- ♦ Rice/Pasta, Noodles, Soup, Instant mashCereals, Biscuits, Crisps. Toiletries
- ♦ Soap/Shampoo, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Disposable razors. Beverages/Jars
- ◆ Tea bags/Instant coffee, Hot chocolate, Sugar, UHT milk, Powdered milk,Fruit juice, Squash,Jam, Marmite,Pasta sauces.



Saturday the 19th, 10am—1pm

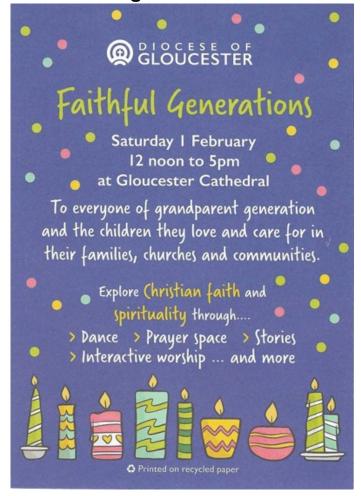
Bird Box Building at Highnam Church - £10

No experience needed and all equipment will be provided.

+ FOOD BANK +

Free refreshments. We hope to see you, everyone welcome

#### Save the Date—Sewing Seeds for the next Generation



Congratulations to Lucie who was confirmed at St Pauls, Shurdington at the weekend

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Christmas Choir has started rehearsals again.
Highnam Church Every Thursday 7.00pm. Everyone welcome, no experience needed.

# **Bible Readings—Taynton (Harvest)**

#### Joel 2.21-27

Do not fear, O soil;
be glad and rejoice,
for the Lord has done great things!
Do not fear, you animals of the field,
for the pastures of the wilderness are green;
the tree bears its fruit,
the fig tree and vine give their full yield.

O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before.

The threshing-floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you.

You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other.

And my people shall never again

#### 1 Timothy 2.1-7

be put to shame.

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,

Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all

—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

#### Matthew 6.25-33

'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, "What will we eat?" or "What will we drink?" or "What will we wear?" For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

## **Bible Readings—Tibberton**

#### Amos 5.6-7,10-15

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you,
just as you have said.
Hate evil and love good,
and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

#### Hebrews 4.12-end

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need

#### Mark 10.17-31

As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, 'Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: "You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother." 'He said to him, 'Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.' Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, 'You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!' And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, 'Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.' They were greatly astounded and said to one another, 'Then who can be saved?' Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.'

Peter began to say to him, 'Look, we have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.'.