Churches Together in Harborough

Newsletter September 2024

Please pass on this information to your church in any appropriate way. Please check our website for any updates. **https://www.harboroughchurches.org.uk/**

Torch Thanksgiving Service - Tuesday 3rd September, 2pm

Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, and bless His name. Psalm 100:4

You are warmly invited to our Thanksgiving Service on Tuesday 3rd September, here at Torch House. Torch's Thanksgiving Day is a special day in our annual calendar at Torch when, centred around an act of worship, we are able to showcase another year of Torch's ministry as its financial year nears closure. We are also able to share our hopes and plans for the year ahead. It has a key purpose to thank God for his faithfulness and inform and underpin through prayer all that we do.

This year we are hoping that many people will be able to come and visit us at Torch House to renew friendships and make new ones. Staff will be on hand from all departments to be able to share their latest work and ministries.

The Thanksgiving Service will take place at 2pm and will also be broadcast on Zoom, YouTube and Facebook.

Whether you have visited Torch House before or not we look forward to welcoming you online or in person.

To access via YouTube go onto our 'Torch Trust on Video' channel.

We look forward to having you join us.

The Great Big Green Week

Harborough Climate Action Invites you to a talk by Dr Emmie Williamson 'Climate Psychology' Wednesday 4th September Methodist Church @7.30pm Northampton Rd, LE16 9HE

Celebrating Creationtide and Fairtrade Fortnight.

From Canon Brian Davis Chair of Eco Churches Together

I would like to remind you all that **Creationtide** is almost on us in September and many churches in the town choose to mark this with special services that are eco-themed. This year (and for future years) September is also the time for **Fairtrade Fortnight** (9th – 22nd) because it has moved from February to September to celebrate 30 years of Fairtrade in the UK, so we hope many churches will focus on that too. We are all aware that it's the people in the countries that have done the least towards climate change who are paying the heaviest price in terms of floods, droughts, crops failures etc, so the more we can do to help farmers in these countries the better. For ideas and resources go to fairtrade.org.uk/get-involved/current-campaigns/fairtrade-fortnight/ and also to our own town Fairtrade website: fairtrademarketharborough.org.uk/

St Mary's Church Husbands Bosworth.

The World of Stained Glass. Aidan Mcrae Tompson is a world renowned stained glass artist and restorer with many significant commissions. He will talk about his craft and his vocation as a church artist. Thursday 5th September. Venue St Mary's Church at 7pm, finishing with refreshments. Donations welcome.

Bower House

You are invited to attend the Harborough Christian Counselling Service (The Bower House) AGM and Service of Thanksgiving (celebrating 25 years) on Thursday 19th September at Harborough Methodist Church.
The AGM starts at 6pm (arrival for tea and coffee from 5:30pm) with the Thanksgiving Service at 6:45pm. Light Refreshments will be served from 7:30-9pm.
For catering purposes, it would be helpful to know if you are planning to attend. Please RSVP by FRIDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER, either by email at: officeadmin@bowerhousecounselling.org or by telephoning (01858) 469257
We look forward to seeing you there.

From Rev Christopher Brown. I have asked my good friend Rev Dr Derek Tidball to come to Harborough this autumn and lead the Baptist Church in four evenings on Biblical Holiness, and I would like to invite all the churches in Harborough to join us.

Derek is a theologian, former Principal of the London School of Theology, an international speaker and author of numerous books, including the excellent "Holiness" (Bible Speaks Today, IVP). In these four evenings Derek will lead

us through Biblical holiness, and is **an excellent opportunity to hear from a leading voice in this important area of life and faith**. At the moment I am planning to host this at the Baptist Church, here at the dates and times.

- Wednesday 18th September, 7:30pm
- Wednesday 25th September, 7:30pm
- Wednesday 2nd October, 7:30pm
- Wednesday 9th October, 7:30pm

- **This is a free event, but booking is essential via admin@mhbaptistchurch.org.** Can I please ask that you share the attached flyer with your churches and encourage then to come along? This would also be a great event for us ministers if you can make it.

Every blessing,

Christopher.

Leicestershire Faiths Forum

Attached please find a flyer about the forthcoming Leicestershire Faiths Forum at County Hall on Thursday 19 September, 5 till 8pm.

The speaker will be the Right Reverend Saju Muthulaly, Bishop of Loughborough.

We will also have a presentation by the Culture Leicestershire Team on the “Sikh Herstories” exhibition, currently running at Bosworth Battlefield Heritage Centre.

The occasion will start in the Members’ Lounge, where there will be displays of relevant County Council services and light refreshments will be served along with the opportunity for conversation among friends, old and new.

I’d be grateful if you would share this flyer with your own network – pass it on to your friends, family, colleagues and community members. Feel free to print out the flyer and post it on your noticeboard at your centre or place of worship.

The event is free to attend, but space is limited. To book your seat, please email me at this County Council address: george.ballentyne@leics.gov.uk

I hope that you’ll be able to share this invitation – and, all things being well – come along yourself.

Regards

George

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The next newsletter will be issued in October. Please send any information to Maureen Douglas at maureen.e.douglas@btinternet.com Please note that your contribution may be reduced or edited according to the space available. We are unable to reproduce posters.

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ATTEND THE HARBROUGH CHRISTIAN COUNSELLING SERVICE (THE BOWER HOUSE)

AGM

AND THANKSGIVING SERVICE FOR ...



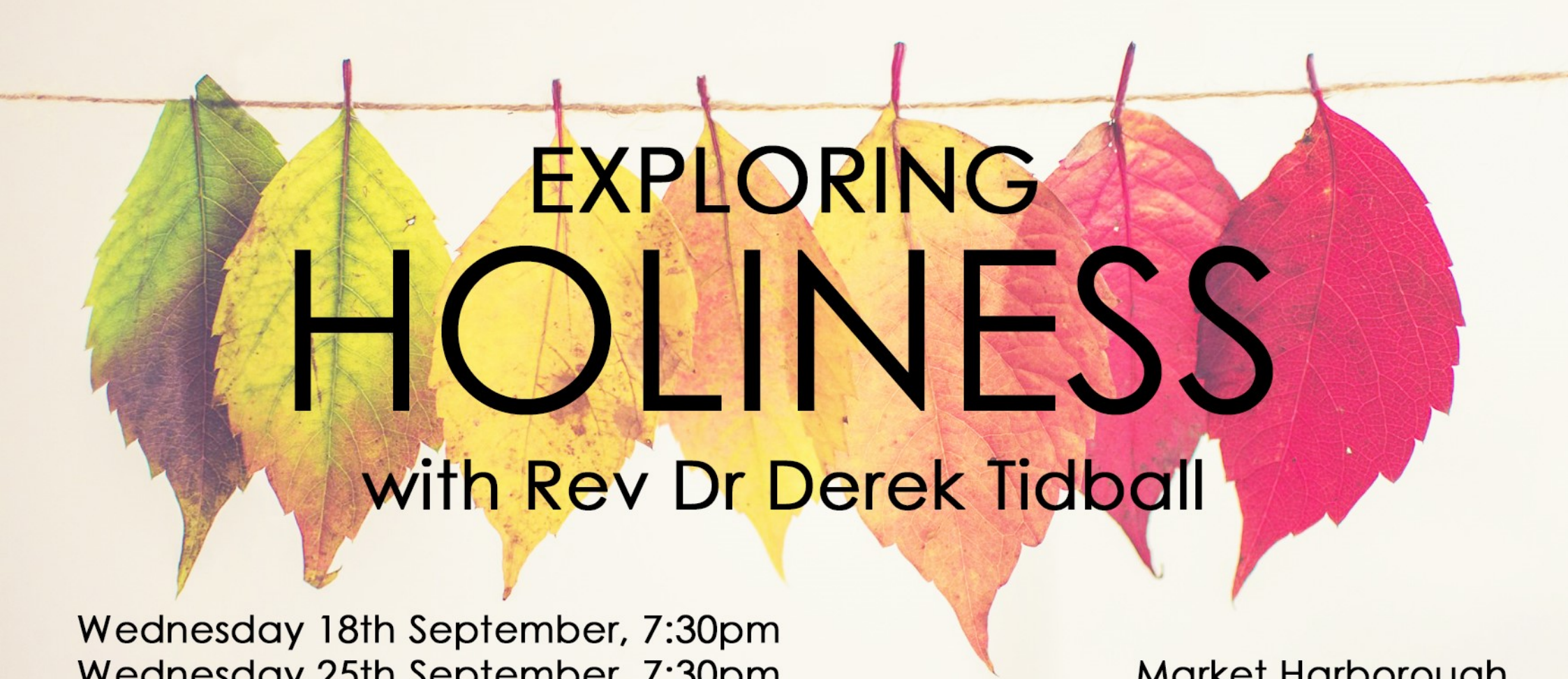
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At Harborough Methodist Church
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Leicestershire County Council

Leicestershire Faiths Forum

Bringing together people from faith communities across Leicestershire to promote greater awareness and understanding of the role of religion or belief in the life of the county.

Please join us for a night of networking, refreshments and community

Thursday 19 September 2024

Sparkenhoe Meeting Room, County Hall

5:00 - 8:00 pm



Featuring Rt Reverend Saju Muthulaly, Bishop of Loughborough as our speaker



Plus a presentation on the Sikh Herstories Exhibition by the Culture Leicestershire Team

Culture Leicestershire
Heritage, Libraries, Collections and Learning

Bosworth
Battlefield Heritage Centre and Country Park

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