Churches Together in Harborough

Newsletter April 2026

Please pass on this information to your church in any appropriate way. Please check our website for any updates.

Easter Live On The Square

Good Friday 3rd April 11.00AM-12.30PM. Gospel Choir, Stories of Faith, Children's activities, Face painting, Street Drama, Hot Drinks, Pizza Truck.

Please encourage family, friends and neighbours to come along and be part of the Event and to pray for the weather and for a good outreach to the unchurched.

See Attachment for time of the Sunday Services.

Congregational church

2nd April, evening Passover meal. Please contact Rev Roo MacRae if you are interested in coming along. mhccroo@gmail.com
April, Good Friday service at 10.00 prior to the Good Friday service on the square.
26 April, Prayer and Praise evening at 6.00

Torch Trust

You are invited to our monthly coffee morning every third Thursday of each month, at Torch House from 10:30am – 12:30pm. Our next coffee morning will be on Thursday **16th April 2026.**
Do come along for tea, coffee and cake. At around 11:30 we'll have a time of worship and prayer.
There's no need to book, just turn up, please invite your friends and you will be assured of a very warm welcome!
We do hope that you will be able to join us on **16th April.**

Bower House

It doesn't seem possible it is April 2026 already, the first few months have flown by. Towards the end of 2025 we had to close applications for students, in March we were able to reopen and have had a wave of student enquiries about placement opportunities at the Bower House. We like to invite students into the Bower House to have a look around and get a 'feel' for the house, so we have several house visits booked in now. This is an exciting time for both the house and students as

they take the next step towards their qualification, and it is exciting for us as we are part of their journey.

We have a wonderful team of dedicated volunteers both support workers and counsellors, if you are a qualified counsellor or someone with a few hours to spare weekly and would like to be part of our team, please do contact us.

Away Day

Our team 'Away day' is due to take place on April 25th, and this year it is properly 'Away' from Market Harborough this year. (Well, a little down the road!) This year it will be something a little different - more of a 'retreat day' – at Brampton Ash Church with a couple of guest speakers and a longish lunch in between, so plenty of time to connect and catch-up!

House Prayer

Over the past little while we have also had the pleasure of being able to have fortnightly prayer meetings in the house. Our next house prayer will be on Tuesday April 7th at 2pm. If you would like to join us, it would be great to see you! If you are unable to make it in person, please join with us to focus on our clients, the team and the work of the Bower House in prayer that day.

Finally, we are so grateful for the support that you all afford us and thank you for the way you continue to undergird the work, both financially and in prayer.

Every Blessing,
Cara and Loraine.

FAIRTRADE & HARBOROUGH ECO CHURCHES

A family-friendly nature trail and lots of stalls related to the natural world will be the attractions at an event to celebrate the changing seasons called WAKE UP TO SPRING! Taking place on the afternoon of Saturday April 18th from 2 to 4pm in St Nicholas Church Hall, Little Bowden, Market Harborough, there will be plenty of stalls and visiting 'experts' to give advice on everything from beekeeping and tree planting to home composting. And, of course, there will be home-made refreshments!
WAKE UP TO SPRING! is organised by the eco group of St Nicholas and St Hugh churches.

The Harborough Eco Churches group meet at 7pm (please note the earlier time!) at the Methodist Church on Friday April 24th. Is your church represented? We share encouragement about how to make our church buildings, our church activities and our congregations more aware of how to protect the wonderful planet that God has gifted us. All welcome!
More details on the poster. Enquiries:

Lin Ball linb@creativepages.co.uk

Harborough Climate Action.
Wednesday 8th April 2026, is our next very interesting talk by Dr Robert Gibbison, chemist and manager at Ashland, giving an insight into the design and manufacture of Lithium Ion batteries and their use in energy storage systems in our homes and businesses.

If you can send this poster or these details on to your own friends and networks, that would be very helpful. Thank you.

The Cube Youth Club.

The Cube – Spring Newsletter 2026

Events and Activities at The Cube, Symington Recreation Ground

Youth Café
Every Tuesday during term time from 3.30 to 5pm
After school drop-in youth-café for young people in year groups 7-11
A space where young people can come and hang out, with refreshments available, get a head start on homework, explore The Cube and chat to our youth workers.

Easter Eggstravaganza
Thursday 2 April from 2 to 4pm
Treasure hunt, sensory play, crafts, refreshments
2 & under £3.50
Child 3 – 12 £7
Adult 13+ £2
All proceeds will go towards supporting the young people of Market Harborough to thrive

First aid awareness session at Market Harborough Methodist Church would like to open it up to all of the churches in Market Harborough.
It is all part of community engagement initiatives to give people the confidence and skills to be able to act in an emergency
Many thanks for your consideration in this matter.
Joyce Shorley. Co Network lead of Welland Valley St John Ambulance .

“ Five ways to save a life”

Do you have the confidence to save someone’s life?
Would you like to learn 5 easy techniques to do this?

If So, Welland Valley St John Ambulance Network are holding an informal drop-in session in the Market Harborough Methodist Church youth wing on **Saturday 25th April between 10AM and 4PM .**
Tea, Coffee and light refreshments will be available for a donation towards the work of Welland Valley St John.

We look forward to meeting you.
For further information, please contact joyce.shorley@sja.org.uk

Jubilee Foodbank Market Harborough

As I write, the store is looking healthy but, as ever, will soon have quite a few items missing. Please use the Bankthefood app, our website, Facebook or Instagram to keep up-to-date with shortages. We appreciate your support as 2025 was our busiest year and there seems to be no decrease so far.
You may be interested in reading the following report which gives an insight into poverty and the cost of living within the UK: https://www.jrf.org.uk/cost-of-living
Please contact jubileefoodbankmh@gmail.com if you have any questions about referring or donating.
Many thanks,
Liz Mills, Chair Jubilee Foodbank Market Harborough
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We are grateful for your donations. Thank you for your support.

To support our store team, please ensure donated food is in date and unopened. Thank you.
@jubileefoodbankmh
www.jubileefoodbankmh.uk
Registered Charity Number: 1202589
Homelessness Information
Please let us know if you would like an emergency homeless food parcel at your church (or if your current parcel is
out of date): jubileefoodbankmh@gmail.com
Harborough District Council and homelessness emergency out of hours contact number outside office hours is 01858 828282
After the announcement it will ask you to hold-on the call and you will be automatically transferred to our out of hours service.
Streetlink
Raise an alert with Streetlink whenever you are aware of a homeless person. (Call 999 if the person is in immediate danger, needs medical assistance, is under 18 or is with someone who is under 18.) https://thestreetlink.org.uk/start

The next newsletter will be issued in May Please send any inforation 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.

WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU ON EASTER SUNDAY HERE:

CHURCH OF ENGLAND ST DIONYSIUS	HIGH STREET	8AM & 11AM	TRADITIONAL SAID EUCHARIST / ALL-AGE EUCHARIST
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ST HUGH	NORTHAMPTON RD/GRANVILLE ST	6:00AM	GREETING THE DAWN WITH EASTER FIRE
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ST PETER & ST PAUL	DINGLEY ROAD, GREAT BOWDEN	10:30AM	ALL-AGE CELEBRATION
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH	BOWDEN LANE	10:30AM	EASTER CELEBRATION FOR EVERYONE
HARBOROUGH COMMUNITY CHURCH	121 BATH STREET	09:00AM & 11:00AM	WITH CHILDREN'S PROGRAMME AT BOTH SERVICES
LIVING ROCK CHURCH MARKET HARBOROUGH	MEADOWDALE SCHOOL	10:30AM	EASTER FAMILY CELEBRATION FOR ALL AGES
MARKET HARBOROUGH BAPTIST CHURCH	25 COVENTRY ROAD	10:00AM	ALL-AGE SERVICE
MARKET HARBOROUGH METHODIST CHURCH	NORTHAMPTON ROAD	10:30AM	EASTER FAMILY SERVICE
OUR LADY OF VICTORIES CATHOLIC CHURCH	1 FAIRFIELD ROAD	10:00AM	MASS

Wake up to Spring!

Includes a family friendly nature trail

Celebrate the arrival of Spring on

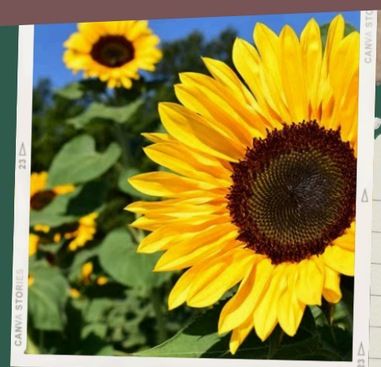
Saturday 18th April 2026

2 - 4pm

St Nicholas Church Hall Little Bowden

Entry:Adults £1 Children free

SEED SWOP



Bring some seed to swop or pick some Heritage seed up.

LOCAL BEEKEEPER



KIDS SEED PLANTING TABLE



Garden hand tool sharpening from £5 per item





MASTER COMPOSTER

Not tried composting as you don't know how?

Speak with someone who does

Harborough Woodland

EVEN MORE INTERESTING THINGS TO SEE

HOMEMADE CAKES AND REFRESHMENTS ON SALE

HARBOROUGH CLIMATE ACTION



FREE

ENERGY STORAGE ENABLING SUSTAINABLE ACTION

Wednesday 8th April 2026, 19.30 - 21.00

Dr Robert Gibbison, Chemist and General Manager at Ashland

Octagonal Hall, Our Lady of Victories, LE16 9QQ

Free Admission

An insight into the design and manufacture of Lithium Ion Batteries and their use in energy storage systems in electric cars, our homes and businesses.

harborough climate action

net zero for our future