

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

Notices – September 2026



Services this Month

6 th September	Sunday	9.30am	Holy Communion (Baptism)	Highnam
		11.00am	Holy Communion	Tibberton
		5.00pm	Evening Prayer	Minsterworth
8 th September	Tuesday	10.30am	Coffee and Communion	Rudford
13 th September	Sunday	9.30am	Holy Communion	Rudford
		11.00am	Holy Communion	Taynton
		11.00am	The 11 o'clock	Minsterworth
		12.30pm	Baptism	Minsterworth
		5.00pm	Peaceful Prayers	Highnam
20 th September	Sunday	9.30am	Holy Communion	Minsterworth
		11.00am	Holy Communion	Highnam
		3.00pm	Forest Church Email Benefice Administrator with any questions. All welcome!	Meet at Butterfly Crescent (Highnam).
27 th September	Sunday	10.00am	Benefice Holy Communion	Taynton
		12.30pm	Baptism	Highnam
		5.00pm	Harvest Festival Evensong	Minsterworth

Baptism bookings

Rev. Heather will be in
Highnam Church to see new
baptism families on
**5th September from
10am-12noon.**

The next booking session: 03/10/26

Highnam Churchyard Community Working Group

Join us in Highnam Churchyard for our
session this month.



When? Saturday 5th September, 9.30-11.30am
Where? Highnam Church



Refreshments provided, please bring
your own gloves.



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SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Basic Course:

All PCC members, and some other role holders, must do the Church of England 'basic' safeguarding training.

When? Tuesday 8th September, 7pm

Where? Highnam School Hall

Break away from your screens, and come to this in-person training for the 'basic' safeguarding training course. The people who need to do this will be emailed closer to the time, but if you know your basic training is due, then get this date in your diary now.

This training will be run by our parish safeguarding trainer: John de Gruyther. To book a place please email Evie on highnam.churcheaol.co.uk

Spring Bulb & Plant Sale

HIGHNAM CHURCH

Saturday 5th September
10-12 & Sunday 6
September 1-4

Daffodils, Tulips,
Iris, Alliums & Crocus

Large selection
of garden
plants to bring
colour back!



Unsold items will be for sale at the plant stall
in Lassington Lane

All profits for Holy Innocents Church

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Minsterworth Church

You are warmly invited to join us at
5.00pm on Sunday 27th September

as we come together to celebrate
all things harvest.

A time to give thanks for the abundance
of the earth,
to celebrate our community,
and to enjoy the joy and beauty
of the harvest season.

Everyone is very welcome!

Minsterworth Church
5.00pm • Sunday 27th September



Forest Church!

Come and join us to celebrate the season of creation and explore nature together.

When? Sunday 20th September, 3pm

Where? Meet at Butterfly Crescent, then we will wander to Lassington Woods together.

All welcome. There will be activities suitable for everyone.



Pocket Choral Society

An acapella celebration of village life featuring comedy and original songs!

When? Saturday 19th September, doors 7pm, starts at 7.30pm.

Where? The Parish Room at Highnam Community Centre, GL2 8DG

Tickets £15 from Susanna Stewart on susystewart@outlook.com

All profits to Highnam Church

Harvest Festivals

Get the dates in your diaries for our Harvest Celebrations across the Benefice.

Sunday 27th September, 5pm – Minsterworth – Harvest Festival Evensong

Saturday 17th October, 7pm – Tibberton, Rudford and Taynton Harvest Supper held at Rudford and Highleadon Village Hall

Sunday 18th October, 11am – Highnam – Harvest Festival in the usual 11am Holy Communion Service



A prayer for new starts that you might like to use with your children or grandchildren as they prepare to return to school:

Loving God,

As September begins, bless all children and grandchildren starting school, moving up a year, or beginning something new.

Bless their backpacks – the books they will read, the work they will do, the friendships they will make, and the courage they will need.

Surround them with kindness in moments of uncertainty, joy in moments of discovery, and resilience when learning feels hard.

Bless parents, carers, teachers, and all who support them.

May this new season be filled with growth, laughter, and your gentle guidance.
Amen.



Held at Trioscape Garden Centre Cafe to support those who have been bereaved. Whether your loss is very recent or some time ago, we know there are times when it is really hard. We hope this group will offer a place where it's OK to come and be with others who 'just get it' – who know it's perfectly possible to need to laugh and cry at the same time or in turn on different days. Meetings are held regularly on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 10.15am. All are welcome.

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