

All Saints Church Awbridge September 2025



*Jesus said "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat."
Matt 14 v 16*



After some glorious summer weather and some timeout for holidays we are now looking forward to some special celebrations in September. The first being a new contemporary worship service being held at our church for the whole Romsey Deanery, this will be on Sunday 14 September at 6 30 pm everyone is most welcome to come along and join in.

We continue our social events with a special BBQ and Jazz Evening on Saturday 20 September, at the village hall, with live music from Second Wind, a local saxophone quartet and licensed bar (see separate invite for details). Bookings for tickets, £15 pp with James Alexander 07785 724531 email: jdalexander350@gmail.com by Sat 13 September.

We continue our celebrations with the fruits of the season, at our harvest festival, to bless all the good gifts we receive from those who work in agriculture, horticulture and the many other businesses associated with our foodstuffs, from all over the world. Our Family Harvest Festival will be on Sunday 28 September at 9 30 am so do come and enjoy all the harvest gifts and decorations. We are collecting foodstuffs for Southampton City Mission so please bring those with you. The Basics Banks, we support, are run by Southampton City Mission, the food is distributed by volunteers, at food banks, run by church communities, in Southampton, for those referred to them by official agencies: Please see the list below which prioritises the items most needed. <https://southamptoncitymission.co.uk/get-involved/how-to-donate#shopping-list>

Currently they are really short of tinned meats (hot), small jars of coffee, sugar (small bags), rice, noodles (pkts), custard, jams & spreads, UHT milk and tins of veg, fruit, tomatoes, fish, rice pudding & macaroni cheese, also nappies (sizes 4,5&6+) and toiletries. Smaller packets of most items are best for re-distribution.

Eco-tip for September: This is the Season of Creation which is dedicated to God, as the creator and sustainer of all life. During this period of the church calendar, many churches celebrate Harvest, thanking God for His provision through the land and food that is grown. It's a time when churches and congregations are called to pay special attention to the responsibility of humanity for the Earth and for all that lives upon it, and to pray for our world. Explore A Rocha UK's season of creation resources at: arocha.org.uk/what-we-do/season-of-creation.

Services and Events in September

Sunday 7 September	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 14 September	9.00 am	Family Breakfast Service in Awbridge Village Hall
	6.30 pm	Contemporary Worship
Saturday 20 September	7.00 pm	BBQ & Jazz Evening at Awbridge Village Hall
Sunday 21 September	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 28 September	9.30 am	Harvest Festival with gifts for So'ton City Mission

Future Events

Saturday 11 October	Sponsored Walk - Clarendon Way from Broughton to Winchester
Sunday 2 November	Bishop of Winchester dedicating our new organ
Saturday 15 November	Quiz Evening at Abridge Village Hall

Other Activities

Coffee Hub	Every Tuesday from 9.15 am – 11.30 am in the church rooms
Prayer Meeting	Before Coffee Hub on Tuesday 2 September from 9.00 am
House Group	Tuesdays 9 & 23 September 7.00 for 7.30 pm, venue TBA Please contact Fred Tucker - 07740 027007
Craft & Chat	Fridays 12 & 26 Sept from 10.30 am – 12.30 pm in Awbridge Village Hall Committee Room Please contact Sue Franklin - 01794 322185
Lunch Club	Wednesdays 10 & 24 September from 12 noon in the church rooms Please contact Sarah Keith - 01794 340707
The Ark Toddler Group	Fridays during term time from 9.30 am to 11.00 am in Awbridge Village Hall Please contact Lynda Tucker - 07884 492314

Useful Church contacts

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