



THE PARISHES OF LEDBURY AND EASTNOR

*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*



HARVEST Sunday 14th October 2018

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion
Led by The Revd Bill Mackenzie
- 9.30am Harvest Festival
*Led by The Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey
Preacher: The Revd Bill Mackenzie*
- 11.15am Eastnor Harvest Service
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Church Diary for the week ahead

Mon	15 th October	8.00pm	Ecumenical Worship, Ledbury Baptist Church
Thurs	18 th October	7-12-7	Prayers
		10.30am	Mothers Union Communion, S. Katherine's
Friday	19 th October	9.00am	Prayer Meeting, S ^t Anne's Chapel
		10.30am	Holy Communion, S ^t Katherine's Chapel

Next Sunday 21st October 2018 TWENTY- FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- 8:00am BCP Holy Communion
9.30am Parish Communion with Prayers
6.30pm BCP Evensong

If you are new here, welcome. Please fill in one of the blue welcome cards located at the end of each pew so that you can receive information about church activities. Yellow Gift Aid envelopes are available at the end of each pew and at the back of the church. There is a Hearing Loop in this Church. Gluten free wafers are available; please ask one of the Sidespeople.

Service Times and lectionary readings can be found posted in the church porch and on the church website www.ledburyparishchurch.org.uk under the 'Services' section.

Facebook – The church has a facebook page:

[fb.me/stmichaelsledbury](https://www.facebook.com/stmichaelsledbury) – take a look, like and participate

Twitter – If you use Twitter do sign-up to S. Michael's twitter account: @LedburyParish

Parish office: phone number: 01531 631531. Email: ledbury.ministry@talktalk.net

Readings for 14th October 2018:

Harvest

First Reading: Joel 2:21-27

²¹“Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice, for the LORD has done great things!

²²Fear not, you beasts 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.

²³“Be glad, O children of Zion 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 latter rain, as before.

²⁴“The threshing floors shall be full of grain; the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

²⁵I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer and the cutter, my great army, which I sent among you.

²⁶“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.

²⁷You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel and that I am the LORD your God and there is none else. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2: 1-7

¹First of all, I [Paul] urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions and thanksgivings be made for all people, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. ³This is good and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Saviour, ⁴who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

⁵For there is one God and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave Himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. ⁷For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 6: 25-33.

²⁵“Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look 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? ²⁷And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁸And why are you anxious about clothing?

Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’

³²For the Gentiles seek after all these things and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. ³³But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things will be added to you.

COLLECT

Eternal God, You crown the year with Your goodness and You give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to Your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for Your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by Your grace plant within us a reverence for all that You give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We pray for:

Our link CMS mission partners, our Leprosy Mission partners and S^t Michael and All Angels, Mtwara and S^t John the Baptist Church, Likonde.

Those who are sick:

Hilary Sharp	Steve Taylor	Doreen Summerfield
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We remember those who have died and pray for those who mourn their passing:

Sylvia Bailey	John Heslop	Michael Harper	Betty Cook
Margaret Weatherhead	Margaret Young		

Christmas Lunch: We are hoping to cook a Christmas lunch again this year for people on their own at Christmas. Last year many people helped in all sorts of ways - cooking, welcoming, transporting and of course washing up. If you would like to help in any way please speak to Bill and Maggie Mackenzie 579009. We can then have a planning meeting in the near future. Please also start thinking of people who we can invite. Thanks

The Prudential Ride London sponsored ride for Open Doors raised £2440-00. Sincerest thanks to everyone who supported me. Bill MacKenzie

Young Church with the help of others are organising the annual Community Light Party; a fun alternative to Halloween, to be held on **Wednesday 31 October 2018**, in the Church **5.00 - 7.00 pm**. Crafts and games and party food (poster below). If anyone, who I have not already spoken to, would like to help, make cakes or bring other items of party food please let me know. If you know of any families who you think would like to come, please invite them and let me know. I have fliers so please spread the word. Many thanks Jill 01531 635129

Margaret Young's funeral will take place on **Monday 29th October at 2.30pm** at S^t Michael and All Angels' Ledbury.

NOTICES

At the meeting on 26 September, the PCC unanimously agreed the following – with effect from 1 January 2019:

(8am BCP remains unchanged)

Morning services will (all) be at 10am

There will be a morning worship service on the second Sunday of the month

There will be a 6:30pm communion service on the second Sunday of the month

(this is in addition to the evening services on first and third Sundays)

Baptisms will continue to take place on the first Sunday of the month.

Tower Lights – are sponsored this week by Keith Francis.

Young Church: today there is Children's Worship and the children will be involved in the Harvest Service. Next week the theme will be Power Games.

Prisons Week 14th-20th October: Today marks the beginning of Prisons Week, the national annual week of prayer for our prisons. Copies of the prayer leaflet, 'Boldly Go', will be distributed to all those attending our services today. Please take your copy home with you to use in prayers through the week and as a reminder of the needs of these troubled communities in the months ahead.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 15th October 6:15pm – Eastnor PCC

Tuesday 16th October – Coffee Morning at S^t Katherine's Hall 10am to 1pm.

Wednesday 17th October at 2.30pm – The Friends of Ledbury Parish Church AGM. Following the usual business there will be an illustrated talk by Mr Gareth Davies on **The Coming of the Railways and the role of Railway Chaplains**. The meeting will conclude with refreshments.

Thursday 18th October 7:30pm – **Third Thursday Talk**: William Hopkinson will be exploring **The Development Of Doctrine** in S. Anne's Chapel. This is the final talk in this our first series and we are looking at having another series of talks next year. Please let William Simmonds or Keith Hilton-Turvey have any suggestions and ideas you have that we might include.

Friday 19th October - Coffee Evening at Coffee 1 from 5.30pm to 7.30pm.

PLEASE NOTE that this is the 3rd Friday of the month (rather than the 2nd) due to staffing problems in Coffee 1 due to the October Fair. Please do come along for a lovely relaxed social evening with friends.

Saturday 3rd November at 7.30pm – Michael Lunts "Tickling the Ivories at Market Theatre. Book early - Sell out last year. Tickets £15 including glass of wine. All proceeds to Friends of Community Action Ledbury Ring & Ride.

Sunday 4th November 3:00pm All Souls Service followed by refreshments. If you would like a loved one remembered by name in the service, please *print* their name on the sheet at the back of church.

Friday 9th November – Coffee morning from 10am to 12noon to raise funds for the purchase of a new colour copier for the church office The current machine is well past it's sell by date and it is difficult to prepare attractive documents on it. It will be great improvement to be able to prepare quality documents quickly. If you are unable to come but wish to contribute, please contact John Lindeck (phone 01532 631329, Email JohnLindeck@gmail.com). Thank you to all those who have already agreed to contribute. I would be grateful if they could let me have their contribution in due course.

Sunday 11th November – 100th Anniversary of the Armistice. 8:00 BCP Holy Communion. 10:40 at the War Memorial. 11:15am Remembrance Service. 6:30pm Holy Communion. There will be no 9:30am service.

Tuesday 13th November - Launch of "A bell to remember" appeal: this will be at 6.00 pm in Church It will be a reception with refreshments and a presentation about our plans to restore and augment the bells. Please tell everyone you know. If you can offer help with greeting / making simple savoury "nibbles" please contact Tim Keyes (01531 579021).

Sunday 18th November 4.00pm – A meeting at the Burgage Hall to prepare for Advent by discussing the songs of S^t Luke's Gospel.

Saturday 24th November - Men's Breakfast in the Seven Stars Hotel in the Homend at 9.15 for 9.30. Price £8. The speaker will be Tim Keyes. If you plan to come, could you sign the notice at the back of church so that we know how many to cater for? Looking forward to seeing you.

Sunday 6th December 6:30pm Light Up A Life

Wednesday 12th December – Christmas Lunch at Three Shires Garden Centre. For more information see Sue Simpson.

St Michael and All Angels Parish Church Community Light Party



Wednesday 31 October 5.00–7.00 pm
Parish Church Ledbury

- Come and enjoy our Light Party a fun alternative to Halloween.
- Crafts and games - including lantern making, treasure hunt, pass the pumpkin, doughnuts on strings, apple bobbing, pumpkin relay, and lots, lots more.
- Party food included.
- Wear bright colours, no Halloween costumes please.
- All welcome, all children must be accompanied by an adult and places need to be booked. Free of Charge.
- We look forward to meeting you and having a fun time.

Contact Jill on 01531 635129 or 07531 311991.