



**THE PARISHES OF
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR**



*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*

**SUNDAY 16th JUNE
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

8am BCP Communion

10am Parish Communion

in the church building and streamed live on the website

www.stmichaelsledbury.org

then available later on video

5.30pm Choral Evensong

**SUNDAY 23rd JUNE
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

8am BCP Communion

10am Parish Communion

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Facebook – The church's facebook page: fb.me/stmichaelsledbury –
Do have a look, like, follow and participate.

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Readings for 16th June 2024:

Third Sunday after Trinity

Old Testament Reading:

Psalm 20

¹May the LORD answer you in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect you! ²May He send you help from the sanctuary and give you support from Zion! ³May He remember all your offerings and regard with favour your burnt sacrifices! ⁴May He grant you your heart's desire and fulfil all your plans! ⁵May we shout for joy over your salvation and in the name of our God set up our banners! May the LORD fulfil all your petitions! ⁶Now I know that the LORD saves His anointed; He will answer him from His holy heaven with the saving might of His right hand. ⁷Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the LORD our God. ⁸They collapse and fall, but we rise and stand upright. ⁹O LORD, save the king! May He answer us when we call.

Gospel Reading:

Mark 4:26 – 34

²⁶[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. ²⁷He sleeps and rises night and day and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. ²⁸The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come." ³⁰And He said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? ³¹It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, ³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." ³³With many such parables He spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. ³⁴He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to His own disciples He explained everything.

New Testament Reading:

2 Corinthians 5: 6 – 17

⁶We are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, ⁷for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸Yes, we are of good courage and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please Him. ¹⁰For we must all appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil. ¹¹Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade others. But what we are is known to God and I hope it is known also to your conscience. ¹²We are not commending

ourselves to you again but giving you cause to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast about outward appearance and not about what is in the heart. ¹³For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. ¹⁴For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; ¹⁵and He died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for Him who for their sake died and was raised. ¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard Him thus no longer. ¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold! The new has come.

COLLECT

God our saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power; hold us fast to Your promises of peace won for us by Your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us Your glory as far as we can grasp it and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon You without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen

We pray for: Our link CMS mission partners, our Leprosy Mission partners & S^t Michael and All Angels, Mtwara and S^t John the Baptist Church, Likonde and Father Jackan.

We pray for those who are sick: we have amended the list below, but if you know of anyone who should still be included, please let the office know.

Pam Robinson	Thomas Heffner	Stacey Ross	Jenny Barber Iley
David Hicks	Terry Dold	Elsbeth Barber	Gillian Hewin Iley
Dean Jackson	Andrew Hicks	Adam Ross	Ian James
Stephen Vicarage			

We remember those who have died and pray for those who mourn their passing:

Done Rule	Catherine Dobel	Jo Anslow	Janet Hughes
Ted Lancett	Peter Houghton	Derek Williams	Patricia Yorke
Ethel Florence	Violet Jenkins	Gillian Mortimer	Sandra Murphy

Please provide information for our weekly pewsheets by Wednesday each week to allow finalisation and printing to take place on Thursdays. Thank you. Please email your requests to Annie Lindon annielindon@gmail.com and to (cc) rector@stmichaelsledbury.org. Please begin your subject line with *Pewsheets*. Thank You

Parking. On Sundays is for Blue Badge holders only. The town car parks are free on Sundays.

Services

Thursday 7am and midday prayers in church.

Friday 10.30am Holy Communion in S^t Katherine’s Chapel.

Thursday 20 June, 7.30pm Looking at liturgy with Very Rev’d Nick Bury former Dean of Gloucester Cathedral is giving a talk about Church. Burbage Hall Church Lane.

Sunday 30th June 7pm in the church: **choral concert by the Fontana Choir** from Czechoslovakia in conjunction with the Hills Singers. Come and support our visiting guests!

Prayer walk Saturday 6 July 2024 Meet at the church North porch at 2.30pm, followed by Picnic in the Rectory Gardens 4pm. Bring your own picnic and Chair.

POETRY in SONG, Saturday July 6th at 7.30pm a concert of poems set to music, by British composers and poets, will be presented by Ledbury Choral Society in Saint Michael and All Angels Church. This event is part of the Ledbury Poetry Festival and tickets, £15, are available from the Poetry Festival Office and on the door. The concert will finish at approximately 9.15pm. Wine and soft drinks will be on sale in the interval.

Saturday 13 July 9:30am – 1:00pm Bishop’s Training Day in S. Michael’s Details and agenda for the event are on the [Eventbrite page](#), where you can sign up. There will be 3 seminars each one running twice.

- generosity (this is required by the diocese)
- a Bible overview
- spiritual practices/how Scripture works out in daily life

LEAF Family Days: 20 July & 17 August

This summer **LEAF** will again be providing activity days on the Recreation Ground free of charge and include food, crafts, games and sports for families and children in Ledbury. We rely entirely on volunteers, in advance for cake making and craft preparation, on the day for helping with activities and stewarding, and throughout for prayer support. If you are able to offer I would be delighted to hear from you: it's really important that we know as early as possible who will be available. Please contact Mary Anne Keyes on maryannekeyes@leafledbury.com or phone 07962323454.

Friends of Ledbury Parish Church Committee: Our committee is in urgent need of new members if we are to continue to play an active role in church life. We need up to four new members as soon as possible. Please consider if this might be you. The role is rewarding and not onerous but it is also very important to the church. There is a job description which will be emailed to all those who receive emails about church activities and which can also be found on The Friends website (<https://friendsofledburyparishchurch.weebly.com/>). Contact Tim Keyes (07577 720154) for further information.