



THE PARISHES OF LEDBURY AND EASTNOR



*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*

SUNDAY 21ST JULY EIGHTH 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 28TH JULY NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8am BCP Communion
10am Parish Communion

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Do have a look, like, follow and participate.
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Readings for 21st July 2024:

Trinity 8

Old Testament Reading:

Psalm 89: 20 – 37

²⁰ I have found David, my servant; with my holy oil I have anointed him, ²¹ so that my hand shall be established with him; my arm also shall strengthen him. ²² The enemy shall not outwit him; the wicked shall not humble him. ²³ I will crush his foes before him and strike down those who hate him. ²⁴ My faithfulness and my steadfast love shall be with him and in my name shall his horn be exalted. ²⁵ I will set his hand on the sea and his right hand on the rivers. ²⁶ He shall cry to me, ‘You are my Father, my God, and the Rock of my salvation.’ ²⁷ And I will make him the firstborn, the highest of the kings of the earth. ²⁸ My steadfast love I will keep for him for ever and my covenant will stand firm for him. ²⁹ I will establish his offspring for ever and his throne as the days of the heavens. ³⁰ If his children forsake my law and do not walk according to my rules, ³¹ if they violate my statutes and do not keep my commandments, ³² then I will punish their transgression with the rod and their iniquity with stripes, ³³ but I will not remove from him my steadfast love or be false to my faithfulness. ³⁴ I will not violate my covenant or alter the word that went forth from my lips. ³⁵ Once for all I have sworn by my holiness; I will not lie to David. ³⁶ His offspring shall endure for ever, his throne as long as the sun before me. ³⁷ Like the moon it shall be established for ever, a faithful witness in the skies.”

New Testament Reading:

Ephesians 2: 11 – 22

¹¹ Remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the uncircumcision” by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands — ¹² remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For He Himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in His flesh the dividing wall of hostility ¹⁵ by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that He might create in Himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace ¹⁶ and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. ¹⁷ And He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸ For through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone, ¹ in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. ²² In Him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

Gospel Reading:

Mark 6: 30 – 34 & 53 – 56

³⁰ The apostles returned to Jesus and told Him all that they had done and taught. ³¹ And He said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while.” For many were coming and going and they had no leisure even to eat. ³² And they went away in the boat to a desolate place by themselves. ³³ Now many saw them going and recognised them and they ran there on foot from all the towns and got there ahead of them. ³⁴ When [Jesus] went ashore He saw a great crowd and He had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And He began to teach them many things.

... [after feeding the 5000 and sending the disciples ahead in the boat, Jesus joined them in the night during a storm which He stilled] ...

⁵³ When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored to the shore. ⁵⁴ And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognised [Jesus] ⁵⁵ and ran about the whole region and began to bring the sick people on their beds to wherever they heard He was. ⁵⁶ And wherever He came, in villages, cities, or countryside, they laid the sick in the market-places and implored Him that they might touch even the fringe of His garment. And as many as touched it were made well.

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(Lord) Father God, Your Son left the riches of heaven and became poor for our sake: when we prosper save us from pride, when we are needy save us from despair, that we may trust in You alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard Your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung Your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of Your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with Your body be refreshed with the fullness of Your life; glory to You for ever. **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	Adam Ross	Richard Tyrell
David Hicks	Andrew Hicks	Gillian Hewin	Stephen Vicarage
Dean Jackson	Stacey Ross	Ken Simpson	David Gates

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

Don Rule	Catherine Dobel	Jo Anslow	Janet Hughes
Ted Lancett	Peter Houghton	Derek Williams	Patricia Yorke
Ethel Florence	Violet Jenkins	Gillian Mortimer	Sandra Murphy
Sheila Ledbury	Anthony Davis		

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.

The PCC have applied for a faculty to make more space available at the east end of the nave during concerts etc. Shorter pews will replace those in the first two rows, so that the shorter pews can be moved aside during events and returned to their place during normal worship. Details can be found in the porch and on the noticeboard at the back of the church.

Please note: Queries and suggestions about repairs and maintenance should be directed to Andrew Beech. Thanks.

We will shortly be surrendering the lease on St Katherines Hall so that a new lease can be granted to LEAF. Most of the contents of the hall are being passed to LEAF - if you have any personal items in the Hall please could you remove them. Secondly, if you have a key to the Hall please could you let one of the Wardens know - we will need to return all keys to the Landlords.

Please provide information for our weekly pewsheet 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 *Pewsheet*. 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.

Saturday 27th July: Coffee Concert Keith Hernshaw organ recital at **11am** with refreshments from 10.30am

Thursday 1st August The Last Supper: Leonardo de Vinci in the Master's House. The Very Revd. Nick Bury is giving an illustrated talk on The Last Supper. Tickets £6, only available after 1st July from Ledbury Books and Maps, 20 High Street. Tel 01531 633 226 (owing to restrictions in the Master's House there are only 40 seats available)

Friday 2nd August, 10am Coffee Stop An informal time for coffee, cakes, chat & company. For more information Contact Sonia Bowen either by phone 07878 173919 or email sonia.a.bowen@gmail.com

Praying Litter Pickers Saturday 3rd August meet at **11 am** on the Recreation Ground in the car park area. We pick up litter and pray over the ground for about 1.5 hours. Then go back to St. Michael's church at 12.30 pm for bacon butties and tea and coffee and chat. All welcome.

Pray-ers, Bakers, Helpers needed!

This next LEAF Family Day is on **17 August**. 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 and we are so grateful for all those who have helped in the past. This year we are expecting even more families to come and enjoy the free activities and food, so we need more helpers! If you have any spare time or energy, please let Mary Anne Keyes know. maryannekeyes@leafledbury.com or phone **07962323454**

Saturday 23rd August , 10 am to 12:30: this year's CMS garden party will be held at Cath and Andrew Beeches house, the Croft, Woodleigh Road.