

## THE PARISHES OF LEDBURY AND EASTNOR



Worshipping God, Following Jesus, Sharing His Love

# SUNDAY IIth AUGUST ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8am BCP Communion 10am Morning Worship

in the church building and streamed live on the website

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then available later on video

5.30pm Holy Communion

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8am BCP Communion 10am Parish Communion 5.30pm Evensong

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## **Old Testament Reading:**

**Psalm 130** 

¹Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD! ²O Lord, hear my voice! Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy! ³If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? ⁴But with You there is forgiveness, that You may be feared. ⁵I wait for the LORD, my soul waits and in His word I hope; 6my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning. <sup>7</sup>O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love and with Him is plentiful redemption. <sup>8</sup>And He will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

## New Testament Reading: Ephesians 4: 25 – 5: 2

<sup>25</sup>Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbour, for we are members one of another. <sup>26</sup>Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger <sup>27</sup>and give no opportunity to the devil. <sup>28</sup>Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labour, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. <sup>29</sup>Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup>And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup>Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamour and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. <sup>32</sup>Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. <sup>5:1</sup>Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. <sup>2</sup>And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

## **Gospel Reading: John 6: 35 & 41 – 51**

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ... <sup>41</sup>So the Jews grumbled about Him, because He said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." <sup>42</sup>They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does He now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" <sup>43</sup>Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. <sup>44</sup>No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. <sup>45</sup>It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me — <sup>46</sup>not that anyone has seen the Father except He who is from God; He has

seen the Father. <sup>47</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness and they died. 50 This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup>I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live for ever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

#### COLLECT

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord of all mercy, we Your faithful people have celebrated that one that prevents us from seeking Your true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: By Your communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We pray for: Our link CMS mission partners, our Leprosy Mission partners & St Michael and All Angels, Mtwara and St 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 David Hicks Dean Jackson Anne Baker

Thomas Heffner Andrew Hicks Stacey Ross Lucy Orchard

Adam Ross Gillian Hewin Ken Simpson

Richard Tyrell Stephen Vicarage David Gates

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

Don Rule Ted Lancett Ethel Florence Sheila Ledbury Geoffrey Douglas

Catherine Dobel Peter Houghton Violet Jenkins **Anthony Davis** 

Jo Anslow Derek Williams Gillian Mortimer Tony Davis

Janet Hughes Patricia Yorke Sandra Murphy Elizabeth Dold

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 St Katherine's Chapel.

Friends talk on Wed 14 August at 2.30pm: The Natural environment of the church. The next speaker in our Friends programme is Rory Johnson. He will be talking to us about the trees that border the churchyard. Do come if you can. Rory is probably the youngest speaker we have ever had and it will also be good to be outside for an event a gentle stroll around the churchyard! Since 2021 Rory has worked as a Meadows Adviser for a local charity called Herefordshire Meadows. The charity's aims are to conserve, restore and create flower-rich grasslands in Herefordshire by working with farmers and land managers across the county. He also co-owns and manages a commercial woodland on the edges of the Forest of Dean and is a member of the Herefordshire Division of the Royal Forestry Society.

### **LEAF Family Day 17 August STOP PRESS**

Following the success of the July Activity Day, which we had to move into church because of the awful weather forecast, we have decided that the August Fun Day will also take place in and around St Michael's Church, with the kind permission of the Rector. This has the advantage of giving us shelter in case of either rain or extreme heat. Please make sure that anyone you know who might attend is aware of the change of venue. We will need the churchyard to be clear of cars from early in the morning of Saturday 17th until after 4.30 pm.

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

For your diaries - this year's CMS garden party will be held on Saturday 24 August 10am to 12:30pm at Cath and Andrew Beech's house, the Croft, Woodleigh Road.

**Saturday 14 September:** Coffee Concert Peter Johnson organ recital - Mostly Bach at 11am with refreshments from 10.30am. Collection after the concert.

**Mobility Scooters** - if you use a mobility scooter to come to church and would like to park it under cover, you are welcome to park it in the South Aisle, against the wall.

**St Katherine's** Wed 31 July: The Rector and Churchwardens completed the surrender of the lease of St Katherine's Hall in order that a new lease can be granted by the Almshouse Charity, which owns the property, 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.

**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 <u>up to four new members</u> 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 (<a href="https://friendsofledburyparishchurch.weebly.com/">https://friendsofledburyparishchurch.weebly.com/</a>). 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.

From Revd Chris Wragg. I recently attended an excellent 'Quite Day' at Hereford Cathedral, entitled 'Roads of Hurt & Hope' based on the booklet of the same name by Andrew Mayes. The booklet is a series of reflections based on some of the 'roads' in the Bible, and stories from those who live on those same roads today. Following each reflection, there are some questions and a prayer exercise. If anyone would like to borrow a copy of this booklet, please just let me know. Chris Wragg, 07714507147, <a href="mailto:christhevic@gmail.com">christhevic@gmail.com</a>

### Heating update from Andrew Beech

The Fabric Sub-Committee have produced an update on where we have got to in replacing the defunct heating system. The paper is longer than can be included here. So it will be emailed to everyone on the circulation list. Paper copies will be placed at the back of the church.

#### There are men on the church roof!

The lining of the two valley gutters on the roof needs replacing as it is now time-expired. Subject to the vagaries of the Ledbury weather, we expect contractors to be on-site from Thursday, 8 August for a few days. Access to the church will be as normal, but parking outside the Chapter House will be restricted.