



THE PARISHES OF  
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR



*Worshipping God,  
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*

**SUNDAY 22<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**  
**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

8am BCP Communion  
10am Parish Communion

in the church building and streamed live on the website  
[www.stmichaelsledbury.org](http://www.stmichaelsledbury.org)  
then available later on video

**SUNDAY 29<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**  
**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

8am BCP Communion  
10am Parish Communion (Patronal Festival)

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Do have a look, like, follow and participate.  
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Readings for 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2024:

*Trinity 17*

**Old Testament Reading: Psalm 1**

<sup>1</sup>Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;  
<sup>2</sup>but his delight is in the law of the LORD and on His law he meditates day and night.  
<sup>3</sup>He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.  
<sup>4</sup>The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.  
<sup>5</sup>Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgement, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; <sup>6</sup>for the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

**New Testament Reading: James 3: 13 – 4: 10**

<sup>13</sup>Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. <sup>14</sup>But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. <sup>15</sup>This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic.  
<sup>16</sup>For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. <sup>17</sup>But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. <sup>18</sup>And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.  
<sup>4</sup><sup>1</sup>What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? <sup>2</sup>You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. <sup>3</sup>You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.  
<sup>4</sup>You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.  
<sup>5</sup>Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over the spirit that He has made to dwell in us”? <sup>6</sup>But He gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.”  
<sup>7</sup>Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.  
<sup>8</sup>Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup>Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom.  
<sup>10</sup>Humble yourselves before the Lord and He will exalt you.

**Gospel Reading: Mark 9: 30 – 37**

<sup>30</sup>They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to know, <sup>31</sup>for He was teaching His disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men and they will kill Him. And when He is killed, after three days He will rise.” <sup>32</sup>But they did not understand the saying and were afraid to ask Him.  
<sup>33</sup>They came to Capernaum and when He was in the house He asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?” <sup>34</sup>But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup>And He sat down and called

the twelve and said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." <sup>36</sup>And He took a child and put him in the midst of them and taking him in His arms, He said to them, <sup>37</sup>"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me and whoever receives me, receives not me but Him who sent me."

#### COLLECT

Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to Your wonders, that we may serve You with reverence and know Your peace at our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty God, you have taught us through Your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love You with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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](mailto:annielindon@gmail.com) and to (cc) [rector@stmichaelsledbury.org](mailto: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 ecumenical prayers in church.**

**Friday 10.30am Holy Communion in St Katherine's Chapel.**

**Monday 23 September to Friday 27 September, 12 to 12:30pm** in St Annes - a series of prayer and meditation sessions for harvest

Monday 23rd - Creation Care

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> - Food Security

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> - Farmers Crisis

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> - Stewardship

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> - Thanksgiving

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September 7:00 to 9:00 in the Market House Cafe - Man Chat** an informal time for men to eat a meal and talk together. Feel free to bring a friend. Contact David Houghton [davidhoughton955@btinternet.com](mailto:davidhoughton955@btinternet.com) for more details

**Friday 27 September 10.30 - 1pm, Macmillan Coffee Morning.** St Katherine's Hall. Please make cakes. Sausage rolls or biscuits, let's make plenty of money for Macmillan. Contact Sue Simpson 07742 060 443 with offers of cakes and or help on the day.

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October** Bring and share ecumenical supper at St Katherine's

The churchwardens reminded us of the debt we owe to **volunteers in the church**. They also said that additional volunteers are needed in a number of areas of the church's work. There is a letter at the back of the church for you to pick up listing some of the areas where we need extra help. Please pick up a copy and think and pray about whether you are able to help.

**Friends of Ledbury Parish Church:** the last event on this year's programme before the AGM is Hymns with a Hinterland on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 2:30 pm. Kate Cheetham and Tim Keyes will be looking at and then inviting you to sing with us, six well known hymns on the theme of trial and consolation

This years AGM will now take place on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 2:30 pm in the church. Our speaker will be Stephen Challenger, secretary of the Diocesan Advisory Committee. We have worked a lot with him and he has been very helpful to us. He will be well worth hearing as there is not a lot he does not know about churches in the diocese. He is also a musician and bellringer. There will be a cream tea after the meeting - donations towards Friends funds invited.

The first event of next year's programme will be Burns night Supper on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January in St Katherines Hall. Time Keyes is looking for a team of people to plan the event - let him know if you would like to join. Tickets on sale from the afternoon of the AGM

Just a reminder the Friends Committee is in urgent need of new members, Contact Tim Keyes (07577 7201540 for more information

**Real Advent Calendars** This year LEAF will again be donating Real Advent Calendars to both Ledbury and Eastnor Primary Schools. Each class will also receive a booklet with the real story of Christmas. In this way our churches together are able to ensure that each child hears about the birth of Jesus and gets a small gift showing we care about them. Mary Anne Keyes will be ordering calendars by the case. If you would like any for yourself or family please let Mary Anne know by 30<sup>th</sup> September ([maryannekeyes@leafledbury.com](mailto:maryannekeyes@leafledbury.com)) Calendars bought as part of the bulk order cost £4.95

You are warmly invited to join the Kintsugi Hope Emotional Wellbeing Course. A 12 week journey to explore how to maintain a positive mental and emotional wellbeing in the challenging times we are living in. The free wellbeing group is a safe and supporting space. The next 12 week evening course is due to begin on **17 September 2024, 7.00 – 8.30pm** at Ledbury Baptist Church in the Homend, Ledbury. For details tel 07841 048296 or email: [alibennett@leafledbury.com](mailto:alibennett@leafledbury.com)

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

**We pray for:** Our link CMS mission partners, our Leprosy Mission partners & S<sup>t</sup> Michael and All Angels, Mtwara and S<sup>t</sup> 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
Anne Baker	Lucy Orchard	David Wood Robinson	James Smith

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

Ted Lancett	Violet Jenkins	Derek Williams	Patricia Yorke
Ethel Florence	Anthony Davis	Gillian Mortimer	Sandra Murphy
Sheila Ledbury	David Kirkham	Tony Davis	Elizabeth Dold
Geoffrey Douglas	Tony Wargent		

David Wood Robinson is now in Ross-on - Wye Community Hospital. There will be a card at the back of the church for everyone to sign as it will be David's 96th birthday on 28th September.

Tony Wargent's funeral will be on 4<sup>th</sup> October at 11:15 at Hereford Crematorium