



**THE PARISHES OF
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR**



*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*

**SUNDAY 27th OCTOBER
BIBLE SUNDAY**
clocks go back an hour at 2am

8am BCP Communion
10am Parish Communion

in the church building and streamed live on the website
www.stmichaelsledbury.org
then available later on video

**SUNDAY 3rd NOVEMBER
ALL SAINTS DAY**

8am BCP Communion
10am Parish Communion
4:30pm Rosemary & Remembrance All Souls Service

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Readings for 27th October 2024:

Bible Sunday

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 55: 1 – 11

¹ “Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good and delight yourselves in rich food. ³ Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. ⁴ Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵ Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for He has glorified you. ⁶ “Seek the LORD while He may be found; call upon Him while He is near; ⁷ let the wicked forsake his way and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that He may have compassion on him and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon. ⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. ⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. ¹⁰ “For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, ¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

New Testament Reading:

Hebrews 7: 23 – 28

²³ The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, ²⁴ but [Jesus] holds His priesthood permanently, because He continues for ever. ²⁵ Consequently, He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them. ²⁶ For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷ He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for His own sins and then for those of the people, since He did this once for all when He offered up Himself. ²⁸ For the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever.

Gospel Reading:

John 5: 36b – 47

[Jesus said to them] ³⁶...The works that the Father has given me to accomplish, the very works that I am doing, bear witness about me that the Father has sent me. ³⁷And the Father who sent me has Himself borne witness about me. His voice you have never heard, His form you have never seen ³⁸and you do not have His word abiding in you, for you do not believe the one whom He has sent. ³⁹You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me, ⁴⁰yet you refuse to come to me that you may have life. ⁴¹I do not receive glory from people. ⁴²But I know that you do not have the love of God within you. ⁴³I have come in my Father's name and you do not receive me. If another comes in his own name, you will receive him. ⁴⁴How can you believe, when you receive glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the only God? ⁴⁵Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father. There is one who accuses you: Moses, on whom you have set your hope. ⁴⁶For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me. ⁴⁷But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe my words?"

COLLECT

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience and the comfort of Your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which You have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of all grace, Your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew Your people with Your heavenly grace and in all our weakness sustain us by Your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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 **Pewsheets**. Thank You

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

LEDBURY

Services

8am Sunday BCP Communion in St Katherine's Chapel

10am Sunday morning services held in church

Thursday 7am and midday prayers in church.

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

EASTNOR

Services on the second and fourth Sundays of the month at 11.15am.

Special or additional services or events for November

8 Nov School remembrance service in the playground

10 Nov Remembrance Sunday, we will meet at **10.50am** by the memorial in the church.

18 Nov the Service will be at **11am** at **Bircham's Grange.**

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

Additional volunteers would be very welcome to support the following **LEAF Family Fun events**. Support is needed in various areas, including setting up and clearing away, preparing for and running craft activities and games, cake making etc. If you would like to help please contact either Jill Jupp or Mary Anne Keyes, in Church or via jill_jupp@hotmail.co.uk or maryannekeyes@leafledbury.com.

) **LEAF Light Party (Alternative Halloween) Thursday 31 October 2024**
3.00 – 5.15pm, St Michael and All Angels Parish Church

) **LEAF Advent Party Sunday 1 December 2024 2.30 – 5.00pm**,
Ledbury Community Hall, Lawnside Road, Ledbury

Thank you in advance for any help that can be offered.

Coffee Stop. There will be no Coffee Stop **Friday 1 November.**

Friday 1 November 2pm in the church, there will be a **Service of Thanksgiving for James Smith.**

Praying Litter Pickers Saturday 2 November 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

Real Advent Calendars. This year LEAF will again be donating Real Advent Calendars to both Ledbury and Eastnor Primary schools, so that all the children have the opportunity to join in the fun of opening doors (and eating good quality Fairtrade chocolate!) in the 'countdown' to Christmas. 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 also gets a small gift showing that we care about them.

Wednesday 11 December at 12:30 Christmas Lunch at the Hop Pocket 2 courses plus tea or coffee and mince pie £20. There are 30 places available. Please see Sue Simpson for more information and Wendy HT to pay your money.

I want to give you good advance warning of the first event of next year's programme: A **Burns Night Supper** on **Saturday 25 January** in St Katherine's Hall. I need a team of people to help plan and put on this event. Let me know if you would like to be on the team. Tickets will be on sale from the afternoon of the AGM onwards. This will be our third Burns Night Supper. They have proved to be great fun.

we are looking for a volunteer to make some tartan bunting for us. We have the material. Now we need the expertise. Can you help? We are also in need of team to help run the event. Might you be able to help? Please contact Tim Keyes (07577 720154 or thkeyes28@hotmail.com).

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.

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	Sue Simpson	David Gates
Anne Baker	Lucy Orchard	Terry Dold	Rodney Jarrett

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

Ethel Florence	Violet Jenkins	Gillian Mortimer	Sandra Murphy
Sheila Ledbury	Anthony Davis	Tony Davis	Elizabeth Dold
Geoffrey Douglas	David Kirkham	James Smith	Tony Wargent
Philip Gray			