



**THE PARISHES OF
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR**



*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*

**SUNDAY 19th JANUARY
SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY**

8.00am BCP Communion

10.00am Parish Communion

Services in the church building and streamed live on the website

www.stmichaelsledbury.org

then available later on video

5.30pm Evensong

**SUNDAY 26th JANUARY
THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY**

8am BCP Communion

10.00am **Christian Unity Service
at Ledbury Baptist Church**

Church office: phone number: 01531 631 531.

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our website is: www.stmichaelsledbury.org

Facebook – The church’s facebook page: fb.me/stmichaelsledbury –

Do have a look, like, follow and participate.

X (Twitter) – Do sign-up to S. Michael’s twitter account: ‘*St Michael’s Ledbury*’ @LedburyParish

Readings for 19th January 2025:

Epiphany 2

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 62: 1 – 5

¹ For Zion's sake I will not keep silent and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness and her salvation as a burning torch.² The nations shall see your righteousness and all the kings your glory and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give.³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.⁴ You shall no more be termed Forsaken and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you and your land shall be married.⁵ For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your sons marry you and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

New Testament Reading:

1 Corinthians 12: 1 – 11

¹ Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be uninformed. ² You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. ³ Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says “Jesus is accursed!” and no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except in the Holy Spirit. ⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as He wills.

Gospel Reading:

John 2: 1 – 11

¹ On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus also was invited to the wedding with His disciples. ³ When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to Him, “They have no wine.” ⁴ And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what does this have to do with me?”

My hour has not yet come.”⁵ His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever He tells you.”⁶ Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons.⁷ Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim.⁸ And He said to them, “Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast.” So they took it.⁹ When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom¹⁰ and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now.”¹¹ This, the first of His signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee and manifested His glory. And His disciples believed in Him.

COLLECT

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to Your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of glory, You nourish us with Your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with Your Holy Spirit that through us the light of Your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

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.

David Hicks	Thomas Heffner	Adam Ross	Stephen Vicarage
Dean Jackson	Andrew Hicks	Gillian Hewin	David Gates
Lucy Orchard	Stacey Ross	Sue Simpson	Terry Dold
Annee Kettle	Sally Harling		

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

Geoffrey Douglas	David Kirkham	James Smith	Tony Wargent
Philip Gray	John Tyler	John Holland	Sheila Jones
Rodney Jarrett	Margaret Westwood	Richard Gladwin	Doreen Selwyn
Elizabeth Crossley	Gwen Kirkham	Judy Street	Hilary Sharpe
Jim Large	Richard Tyrell	Pam Robinson	John Sutton
Jim Loverage	Elizabeth Haynes		

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.

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 S^t Katherine’s Chapel.

EASTNOR

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

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

Christmas lunch 2024. Thank you to everyone who helped make this year’s lunch such a happy day. Thanks to those who gave financial donations, those who gave food and wine donations, those who drove guests to the lunch, those who picked up food from The Feathers and the Talbot and shopped. Thank you to those who cooked for the day, and on the day, and all who gave their time and hard work to make guests welcome and cared for. We fed 30 guests and about 15 helpers and all went home with mince pies and Christmas cake. It’s a lovely happy event to be involved in. One gentleman has already said "See you next year"

Man Chat. The next Man Chat will be at The Market House Cafe, Ledbury on **Thursday 23 January 2025 at 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm.** This will once again be an informal time for men to eat a meal together and talk about things they enjoy doing as well as things that concern them. Full details are shown on the poster in the church porch, or have a word with David Houghton.

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 are on sale. This will be our third Burns Night Supper. They have proved to be great fun.

Coffee Stop Friday 7 February 10am - 12 noon. Come and join us for coffee, cakes, chat & company. All welcome! Invite someone new to share with them our beautiful church. For more information Contact Sonia Bowen on 07878 173 919.

Ledbury Lent. Come and join us preparing for Easter **EVERYONE WELCOME Sign up by 21 February.** Lent groups begin in the week beginning Monday 24 February and continue weekly through Lent.

Group Options:

-) **Monday**, 19:30 Lavender Cott, Bridge St, Peter and Diana Veasey
-) **Tuesday** 14:30 Methodist Church, Gillian Chowns
-) **Wednesday** 19:30 28 Pound Meadow, Joan Wakeling
-) **Thursday** 14:30 28 Pound Meadow, Hugh Wakeling
-) **Saturday** 10:30 Most Holy Trinity Hall, Mary Rossiter and Susi James

To book a place on the series of meetings for Ledbury Lent, select your options and whether these are your first or second choice, then contact Joan by email, revdjwakeling@gmail.com or phone 01531 6331883. Leave your own contact email and phone number, state your first and second choice of group, keep a note for yourself of your choices and when groups are finalised your group leader will contact you to confirm your place and any other details.