



**THE PARISHES OF
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR**



*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*

**SUNDAY 30th MARCH
MOTHERING SUNDAY**

CLOCKS GO FORWARD AN HOUR AT 2am

**From this Sunday
all services are again being held in the main body of the church**

8am BCP Communion

10.00am Morning Worship

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

**SUNDAY 6th APRIL
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

8am BCP Communion

10.00am Baptism with Parish Communion

Church office: phone number: 01531 631 531.
Email: ledbury.ministry@talktalk.net
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 30th March 2025:

Mothering Sunday

Old Testament Reading:

Psalms 127

¹Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labour in vain.

Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchman stays awake in vain.

²It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil;
for He gives to His beloved sleep.

³Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb a reward.

⁴Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth.

⁵Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them!

He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.

New Testament Reading:

Colossians 3: 12 – 17

¹²Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved,

compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience,

¹³bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another,
forgiving each other. As the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴And above all

these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵Let the peace of
Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.

¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another
in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness
in your hearts to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name
of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

Gospel Reading:

Luke 2: 33 – 35

³³ [Jesus'] father and His mother marvelled at what was said about Him.

³⁴ And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary His mother, "Behold, this child is appointed for
the fall and rising of many in Israel and for a sign that is opposed ³⁵ (and a sword will pierce
through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed."

COLLECT

Merciful Lord, absolve Your people from their
offences, that through Your bountiful
goodness we may all be delivered from
the chains of those sins which by our frailty
we have committed; grant this, heavenly
Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed
Lord and Saviour, who is alive and reigns with
You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever.

Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God whose blessed Son our Saviour
gave His back to the smiters and did not hide
His face from shame: give us grace to endure
the sufferings of this present time with sure
confidence in the glory that shall be revealed;
through 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 us know.

Lucy Orchard	Andrew Hicks	Gillian Hewin	Stephen Vicarage
Annee Kettle	Stacey Ross	David Gates	Terry Dold
Elizabeth Watson	Vanessa Skelton	Sue Holland	Barbara Price

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 Loveridge	Eileen Haynes	Martin Glover	John Robinson

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 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 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

Home and Sick Communion – If you are sick or housebound and would like to receive home communion, please let either Keith (07796 585 407) or Val Houghton (val.houghton1@btinternet.com) know.

Coffee Stop Friday 4th April 10am - 12 noon. Coffee stop - an informal time 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.

Friday 4th April Lent Lunch 12noon to 2pm in St Katherine's Hall
Host Mrs Elaine Toyer phone 01531 634 354. Donations to Christian Aid

Praying Litter Pickers 11am Saturday 5th April. We will meet at the Recreation Car Park and pray together and collect litter in the recreation grounds. At 12.30 pm we will go to The New Market Café for warmth and refreshments, anyone who would like to join us for coffee and chat are welcome. We will each pay for our own refreshments

The Flower Guild is once again offering to purchase lilies and palms for loved ones at Easter and place a name scroll on the Memorial table in St Anne's. Request forms will be available on the table at the North Door entrance from Ash Wednesday 7th March. **The closing date for requests is 10th April.** If you have any queries please contact Chris Lynch on 01531 670 037 or email chris.lynch54@btinternet.com

Thursday 10 April at 7pm in church: we will be holding our 2025 APCM

Palm Sunday 13 April at 6pm in church: A Come and Sing service based on Fauré's Requiem.

There will be a memorial service for **John Sutton** in church on **Wednesday 23 April at 11am.**

Friday 25th April 2025, 7.00 pm Quiz Night and supper. St Katherine's Hall. Teams of 6 (max). We can allocate you to a team on arrival if you have not made any other arrangements. *Bring your own drink. Tickets £12.00 must be purchased in advance.* (thkeyes28@hotmail.com / 07577 720 154)

A full programme of events has been planned by the **Friends of Ledbury Parish Church.** Events are open to members and non-members except the Summer Social. Full details are available at the back of the church, by email, thkeyes28@hotmail.com, or on the church website.

Prayer Chain We are trying to find out whether a prayer chain, which could be used to send out specific and urgent prayer request would help us in praying and caring for each other. There is a sheet at the back of the church explaining how a prayer chain would work - please pick up a copy and let the wardens or Keith know if you think it would be a good idea.