



THE PARISHES OF
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR



*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*

**SUNDAY 12th APRIL 2026
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

8am BCP Communion Led by Rev'd William Simmonds

10am Morning Worship Led by The Second Sunday Team

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

**SUNDAY 19th APRIL 2026
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**8am BCP Communion
Led by Rev'd Hugh Wakeling**

**10am Parish Communion
Baptism and Confirmation Led by Bishop Richard**

**5.30 Choral Evensong
Led By Rev'd James Stewart**

Church office: phone number: 01531 631 531.

Email: admin@stmichaelsledbury.org

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

Please provide information for our weekly pewsheet by Wednesday each week. Thank you. Please email to Annie Lindon annielindon@gmail.com and to (cc) churchwardens@stmichaelsledbury.org and admin@stmichaelsledbury.org

Sunday parking is for Blue Badge holders only. Town car parks free on Sundays.

Pastoral Care. The Pastoral Team consists of: Sue Cooper, Sue Simpson, Richard Nightingale and Val Houghton. If you have any Pastoral issues, or help is needed then please contact Val Houghton. (val.houghton1@btinternet.com).

Prayer Chain. Please let Val or one of the wardens know if you would like to receive prayer chain messages If you have a request for prayer please use the same contacts.

Repairs and maintenance queries should be directed to Andrew Beech.

SERVICES

LEDBURY Services

8am Sunday BCP Communion

10am Sunday Parish Communion (2nd Sunday Morning Worship)

Thursday 7am and midday prayers in church

Friday 10.30am Holy Communion in S^t Katherine's Chapel

Third Sunday Choral Evensong 5.30pm

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

NOTICES

Vanessa Skelton has kindly agreed to take on **producing the intercessions rota**. This is a very important ministry within the church, if you feel you would like to join the rota contact her by email vanessawilen@hotmail.com

Rev'd Michael Gallagher has agreed to hold a session to help those compile prayers should they wish to join the team who say prayers on Sundays. Contact Vanessa above for further details.

On behalf of the Flower Guild, a huge thank you to everyone who supported the Lily sponsorship this year. Despite a slow start, we raised more than previous years. We hope you all enjoy the Easter arrangements. There is a memorial scroll in St Anne's listing donors and those remembered. Chris Lynch, Flower Guild Co-ordinator.

We pray for:

Our link CMS Mission partners, our Leprosy Mission partners and St Michael and All Angels, Mtwara and St 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.

Elizabeth Watson Andrew Broughton Stephen Vicarage Terry Dodd
Peter Tattersall Christabel Panter David Hicks

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

Jean Gabb Olive Bramley Jean Hosegood Val Hale Glenda Dixon
Sandra Thomas Ann Roberts Louis Lock Bryan Turner Richard Green Barbara Price Ann Blandford Barbara Meikle Alison Williams Colin MacKenzie Barbara Morris

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Man Chat Thursday 16 April 7 – 9pm at the Market House Café, Ledbury. This will be an informal time together, eating a meal and talking together about things we enjoy doing. Feel free to invite a friend to come with you. As an indicator the meal costs £15 per head (including sweet) and a donation on the evening will be welcome. Please feel free to bring your own bottle of refreshments and please let me know if you have any special dietary requirements. Please RSVP to David Houghton, davidhoughton955@btinternet.com or 01531 890696

Coffee Concerts Saturday 18 April, Saturday 9 & 30 May, Saturday 27 June, Saturday 25 July, Saturday 29 August, Saturday 19 September Saturday 3 October and Saturday 7 November

Please note that the **Annual Parochial Church Meeting** has been postponed to **Wednesday 27 May**. This replaces the previous date of 15 April. The Charity Commission have informed us that, because of the size of the generous bequest from Stuart Heaton, the church will need a full audit of its accounts this year. The time this will take necessitates a postponement of the APCM.

Thursday talks Thursdays 14 May, 18 June, 16 July, 17 September and 15 October, 7:30 to 9:00pm in the Burgage Hall.

Readings for 12th April 2026: *Second Sunday of Easter*

Gospel Reading: John 20: 19 – 31

¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."
²⁰When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.
²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you."
²²And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld."
²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the mark of the nails and place my finger into the mark of the nails and place my hand into His side, I will never believe."
²⁶Eight days later, [Jesus'] disciples were inside again and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands; and put out your hand and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe."
²⁸Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."
³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God and that by believing you may have life in His name.

Second Reading: Acts 2:14a & 22 – 32

^{14a}Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed [the people]: ²²"Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves know — ²³this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men.
²⁴God raised Him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for Him to be held by it.
²⁵For David says concerning Him, "I saw the Lord always before me, for He is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;
²⁶therefore my heart was glad and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope."²⁷For You will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let Your Holy One see corruption. ²⁸You have made known to me the paths of life; You will make me full of gladness with your presence.' ²⁹"Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Being, therefore a prophet and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that He would set one of his descendants on his throne, ³¹he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did His flesh see corruption. ³²This Jesus God raised up and of that we all are witnesses.

Third Reading: 1 Peter 1: 3 – 9

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷so that the tested genuineness of your faith — more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire — may be found to result in praise and glory and honour at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ⁸Though you have not seen Him, you love Him. Though you do not now see Him, you believe in Him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, ⁹obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.