



THE PARISHES OF
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR



*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*

SUNDAY 7th June
FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8am BCP Communion
Led by Rev'd Preb. Dr Chris Moore

10.00am Parish Communion
Led by Rev'd Preb. Dr Chris Moore

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

SUNDAY 14th June
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8am BCP Communion
Led by Rev'd Bill MacKenzie
Preacher MaryAnne Keyes

10.00am Morning Worship
Led by the Second Sunday Team

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 pewsheets 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.

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

We have some redundant sound equipment to dispose of. This is currently in a black metal cabinet in Trinity. If anyone can help with taking it to the dump, please could they speak to one of the wardens.

Sonia Bowen has kindly agreed to take on the role of Volunteer Coordinator. Please contact Sonia if you would like to know how to get more involved in church. There are lots of ways we can offer our time and talents - everyone has something to give! You can email Sonia at sonia.a.bowen@gmail.com or call her on 07878 173919.

There are several **home study groups** in Ledbury and surrounding areas; these mainly take place in the evenings. The study group leaders would welcome new members. **If you are interested in joining one please speak to Richard Nightingale, r.nightingale437@btinternet.com.**

We have a new key safe in the priests vestry and the code has changed. If you need the new code please ask one of the wardens. To reduce clutter, the priests vestry safe now only contains the most frequently used keys. Other keys, unlabelled keys and spare labels are in the key safe in the disabled loo. Again, please ask the wardens if you need the code for this safe.

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

Those involved in the process of selecting the next Rector.

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.

Andrew Broughton Stephen Vicarage Terry Dodd Peter Tattersall David Hicks

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

Sandra Thomas Ann Roberts Louis Lock Bryan Turner Richard Green Barbara Price Ann Blandford Barbara Meikle Alison Williams Colin MacKenzie Barbara Morris Roger Jackman Jan James Elizabeth Watson

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday Talks 2026. Thursday 18 June, 7.30pm, Burbage Hall. The Making of a Church, The Cathedral's Role as a Mother Church, led by the Very Rev'd Sarah Brown, Dean of Hereford Cathedral. You are invited to join, there will be questions after the discussions. Tea and Coffee will be provided.

Coffee Concerts Saturday 27 June, Saturday 25 July, Saturday 8 August, Saturday 29 August, Saturday 19 September Saturday 3 October and Saturday 7 November

Little Marcle Church is hosting a **Flower Festival** from **3rd - 5th July 10am - 4pm**, in aid of roof repairs and internal decoration. Entry £5 (under 16s free). 'Art in Flowers' will include over 20 floral displays inspired by popular painters as well as a number of decorative arrangements. Pupils from Much Marcle School will also be exhibiting a plant and flower based

project. Refreshments will be available. There is on-site parking for up to 30 cars. All members of our Flower Guild are participating, so please come along and support them. Thank you. Chris Lynch, Flower Guild Coordinator

Friends of Ledbury Parish Church Events:

Hymns and Pimms

This summer social event for The Friends of Ledbury Parish Church has been put forward to Wednesday July 15th at 6.00. **PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE.** Do come to the church and join us for a good sing along, a glass or two of Pimms and strawberries and cream. If there is a particular hymn that you would like us all to sing, please contact Tim Keyes (thkeyes28@hotmail.com). Entry £5.00.

Readings for 7th June 2026:

Trinity I

Old Testament Reading:

Genesis 12: 1 – 9

¹Now the Lord said to Abraham, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ²And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonours you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

⁴So Abraham went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abraham was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. ⁵And Abraham took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother’s son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan. When they came to the land of Canaan, ⁶Abraham passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. ⁷The the lord appeared to Abraham and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. ⁸From there he moved to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. And there he built an altar to the Lord and called upon the name of the Lord. ⁹And Abraham journeyed on, still going toward the Negeb.

New Testament Reading:

Romans 4: 13 – 24

¹³For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression. ¹⁶That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring — not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, ¹⁷as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations” — in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.” ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹fully convinced that God was able to do what He had promised. ²²That is why his faith was “counted to him as righteousness”. ²³But the words “it was counted to him” were not written for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in Him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, ²⁵who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 9: 9 - 23

⁹ As Jesus passed on from there, He saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth and He said to him, “Follow me.” And he rose and followed him. ¹⁰ And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and His disciples. ¹¹ And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to His disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹² But when [Jesus] heard it, He said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³ Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy and not sacrifice.’ For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.” ¹⁴ Then the disciples of John came to Him, saying, “Why do we and the Pharisees fast, but Your disciples do not fast?” ¹⁵ And Jesus said to them, “Can the wedding guests mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them? The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them and then they will fast. ¹⁶ No one puts a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, for the patch tears away from the garment and a worse tear is made. ¹⁷ Neither is new wine put into old wineskins. If it is, the skins burst and the wine is spilled and the skins are destroyed. But new wine is put into fresh wineskins and so both are preserved.” ¹⁸ While He was saying these things to them, behold, a ruler came in and knelt before Him, saying, “My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her and she will live.” ¹⁹ And Jesus rose and followed him, with His disciples. ²⁰ And behold, a woman who had suffered from a discharge of blood for twelve years came up behind Him and touched the fringe of His garment, ²¹ for she said to herself, “If I only touch His garment, I will be made well.” ²² Jesus turned and seeing her He said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And instantly the woman was made well. ²³ And when Jesus came to the ruler’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion,

COLLECT

God of truth, help us to keep Your law of love and to walk in ways of wisdom, that we may find true life in Jesus Christ Your Son.

Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal Father, we thank You for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts: may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope and make us grow in love; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.