THE PARISHES OF
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR

Worshipping God,
Following Jesus,
Sharing His Love

SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER
ALL SAINTS' DAY

8:00am BCP Communion
Led by Revd Wiliam Simmonds

10:00am Parish Communion
Led by Revd William Simmonds

3.30 pm All Souls Service of Thanksgiving & Remembrance
Led by Rev Bill MacKenzie

SUNDAY 8th NOVEMBER
The Third Sunday before Advent
and Remembrance service

8:00am BCP Communion
Led by Revd Sarah Hillman
10.45am Parade & Service at the War Memorial
followed by
Remembrance service at approx 11.20am
Led by Revd Sarah Hillman

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.

Please provide information for our weekly pew sheet by Wednesday each week. Thank you. Please email to 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)
Prayer Is available after the 10am Service in St Anne's Chapel

Thursday 7am and midday prayers in church

Friday 10.30am Holy Communion in St Katherine's Chapel

Third Sunday Choral Evensong 5.30pm

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

NOTICES

Please send any items for the Pew sheet to churchwardens@stmichaelsledbury.org and admin@stmichaelsledbury.org.

Church work. We are having some work done on the church roof that will take around four weeks to complete. The contractor will be using a cherry picker, which they will need to park outside the Chapter House. Please note, therefore, that parking in this area will be reduced over the period of the construction work. Please also note that, if you see someone on the church roof over that period, they are probably meant to be there. The lead inside the northernmost of the two waterspouts on the west front of the church has rotted, leading to some erosion of the stonework. Scaffolding to allow for this to be repaired is already in place, and repair work will start this week.

Flower Guild. Over recent years, the Flower Guild at St Michaels has reduced in numbers. Chris Lynch, who leads the group and Gill Romanowski plan to step down at the end of this year thus leaving only 2 members. We would like to thank both Chris and Gill for their many years of quiet, devoted service. Before she goes, Chris is keen to pass on her knowledge and experience to others so that the Flower Guild can rebuild.
If you, or someone you know, would like to get involved with the flowers in church, whether in learning how to arrange flowers, providing flowers or foliage from the garden or contributing financially to the Flower Guild, please contact Chris on 07794 934 091 or email her at chris.lynch54@btinternet.com. Both men and women are welcome. There will be a meeting on 23 November at 10:30am in the Chapter House to plan the way forward.

Revd Canon Sarah Hillman's Installation Revd Canon Sarah Hillman's induction in on 3rd November.

Revd Canon Sarah Hillman's Installation - Helen I'Anson is coordinating refreshments following Sarah's service on 3rd November. If you can help in any way - providing food, setting out or serving - she would love to hear from you (speak to her or email iansonjsw@yahoo.co.uk)

Advance notice – Morning Service on 22nd November will be a joint benefice service with Eastnor to celebrate the arrival of our new Rector. The service will be at the later time of 10:30 and take place in St Michael's.

A message from Ledbury Foodbank- St Michaels has given the Foodbank a delightful amount of goods and £195.20 in cash. This is just to say thank you so much for both donations. They are so welcome. As the weather becomes cold and wet, people seek more help, as I am sure you know only too well. Your food donations have no doubt been handed out already, and the cash will go towards our ever increasing

Eastnor service- Please note the next service at Eastnor on 8th Nov starts at 10.50 for Remembrance Sunday.

WE PRAY FOR:

Our link CMS Mission partners, our Leprosy Mission partners and Hereford Diocesan Links with Tanzania.

The new Rector – Rev Canon Sarah Hillman

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.
David Hicks Tony Harris Ian James

We remember those who have died and pray for those who mourn their passing:
Andrew Broughton Mary Cooper Joyce Mason Barbara Morris Roger Jackman Jan James Elizabeth Watson

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Coffee Stop Friday 6th November. 10am - 12 noon. Come and join us for coffee, cakes, chat & company. All welcome! Invite someone new to share with them our beautiful church. Contact Sonia Bowen on 07878 173 919.

Saturday 7 November. Coffee Concert Saturday.

Friday & Saturday 6th & 7th November. The Long Trick (Market Theatre Ledbury, Nov 6th and 7th): A number of people from St Michael's are taking part in this play about the life of John Masefield. It is part of the *Masefield Matters* project which aims to raise awareness of the life and works of the poet who is Ledbury's most famous son. The play combines drama, narration, dramatic readings and music in a brisk journey through the extraordinary life of our very own Poet Laureate. Please book your tickets direct through the Market Theatre box office.

Tuesday 10th November at 7.00pm The Ledbury Deanery Diocesan Roadshow about Shared Local Ministry for Ledbury Deanery will be at St Peter's Church, Withington, Lock Road, Hereford HR1 3QE

Wednesday 18th November at 6.30pm A short reflective service to remember the last day of the Battle of the Somme.

Charity Concert Friday 20th November 7.30pm
Pavilion Rooms, Ledbury Rugby Club.
Bromyard Wind Band will present an evening of music and songs from films and musicals, including Les Misérables. Founded in Bromyard in the 1980s, the band recently celebrated its 40th anniversary and now has 42 brass, woodwind and percussion players from Herefordshire and surrounding counties—promising a fabulous concert!
Tickets are £10 from Kevin and Ruth Hewison or Three Counties Bookshop. Phone 07973 964885 or email khbandtickets@gmail.com.
Parking, bar and raffle available. All profits go to St Michaels for future building improvements.

Saturday 28th November, Advent Quiet Day The annual joint churches Advent Quiet Day will take place, hosted by Holy Trinity Church and led by Father Thomas Regan. Details nearer the time.

Friends of Ledbury Parish Church AGM: **Friends AGM** will be on **Wed 4th November at 2.30 pm** in the church. We shall have the usual business meeting and then Andrew Beech will give us an update on recent and proposed projects that the PCC has been overseeing. Tea will be provided after the event. The papers for the meeting are being sent by email to all members to save paper. There will be a few printed copies at the back of the church.

Readings for 1st November 2026: All Saints Day

A New Testament Reading from: Revelation 7: 9-17

9 After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation,
from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed
in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, 10 and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation
belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" 11 And all the angels were standing
around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces
before the throne and worshiped God, 12 saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and
thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." 13 Then one
of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have
they come?" 14 I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out
of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the
Lamb. 15 "Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. 16 They shall hunger no more,
neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. 17 For the Lamb in the
midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

A Reading from the Gospel of 1 John 3: 1-3

1 See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so
we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we
are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he
appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. 3 And everyone who thus hopes in
him purifies himself as he is pure.

A Reading from the Gospel of: Matthew 5: 1-12

[1]Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. [2]And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: [3]"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. [4] "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. [5] "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. [6] "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.[7] "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. [8] "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. [9] "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.[10] "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. [11] "Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. [12] Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.