



# THE PARISHES OF LEDBURY AND EASTNOR

*Worshipping God,  
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*



## Fifth Sunday of Easter Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2017

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion  
(Led by *The Revd Tony Hodder*)
- 9.30am Parish Communion with Prayer Ministry  
(Led by *The Revd James Stewart*  
*Preacher Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey*)
- 11.15am Eastnor Parish Communion  
(Led by *Revd Joan Wakeling*)

We welcome everyone visiting us in Ledbury this week. The 9.30am service includes Prayer Ministry. If you would like to receive this ministry of the Church for yourself, or on behalf of someone else, please come to S<sup>t</sup> Anne's Chapel at the end of the service.

### Church Diary for the week ahead

Mon	15 <sup>th</sup> May	8pm-9.30pm	Ecumenical prayer and praise, Pool Barn, Priors Court, Staplow
Thurs	18 <sup>th</sup> May	7-12-7	Prayers (in The Choir Vestry at 7 & 7, 12 in S <sup>t</sup> Anne's)
Fri	19 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am	Prayer Meeting, S <sup>t</sup> Anne's Chapel
		10.30am	Holy Communion, Harling Court

### Next Sunday 21st May – Sixth Sunday of Easter

- 8.00am Holy Communion BCP
- 9.30am Parish Communion  
with Reader Licensing and LMDG Commissioning
- 6.30pm Evensong

If you are new here, please fill in one of the blue welcome cards located at the end of each pew so that you can receive information about church activities. Yellow Gift Aid envelopes are available at the end of each pew and at the back of the church. There is a Hearing Loop in this Church. Gluten free wafers are available; please ask one of the Sidespeople.

**Service Times and lectionary readings** can be found posted in the church porch and on the church website [www.ledburyparishchurch.org.uk](http://www.ledburyparishchurch.org.uk) under the 'Services' section.

**Twitter** – If you use Twitter do sign-up to S. Michael's twitter account: [@LedburyParish](https://twitter.com/LedburyParish)

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Readings for 14<sup>th</sup> May 2017: *Fifth Sunday of Easter*

### First Reading: Psalm 31: 1 – 5

- <sup>1</sup>In You, LORD, I have taken refuge;  
let me never be put to shame; deliver me in Your righteousness.
- <sup>2</sup>Turn your ear to me, come quickly to my rescue;  
be my rock of refuge, a strong fortress to save me.
- <sup>3</sup>Since You are my rock and my fortress, for the sake of Your name lead and guide me.
- <sup>4</sup>Keep me free from the trap that is set for me, for You are my refuge.
- <sup>5</sup>Into Your hands I commit my spirit; deliver me, LORD, my faithful God.

### Second Reading: 1 Peter 2: 1 – 10

- <sup>1</sup>Put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander.
- <sup>2</sup>Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation — <sup>3</sup>if indeed, you have tasted that the Lord is good.
- <sup>4</sup>As you come to Him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, <sup>5</sup>you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.
- <sup>6</sup>For it says in Scripture: "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious and whoever believes in Him will not be put to shame."
- <sup>7</sup>So the honour is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone"
- <sup>8</sup>and "A stone of stumbling and a rock of offence."  
They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.
- <sup>9</sup>But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for His own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvellous light. <sup>10</sup>Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

### Gospel Reading: John 14: 1 – 14

- [Jesus said:] <sup>1</sup>"Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me.
- <sup>2</sup>In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup>And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. <sup>4</sup>And you know the way to where I am going."
- <sup>5</sup>Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup>If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know Him and have seen Him."
- <sup>8</sup>Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father and it is enough for us."
- <sup>9</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"
- <sup>10</sup>Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does His works. <sup>11</sup>Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.

<sup>12</sup>“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father.

<sup>13</sup>Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

<sup>14</sup>If you ask me for anything in my name, I will do it.

### COLLECT

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in His way, to rejoice in His truth and to share His risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

#### We pray for:

- Our link CMS mission partners, our Leprosy Mission partners Victor & Mary Parisipogula, and S<sup>t</sup> Michael and All Angels, Mtwara and S<sup>t</sup> John the Baptist Church, Likonde.

#### Those who are sick:

Stan Tooby	Dean Jackson	Rodney Harrison	Sheila Anthony
Ann Tindall	John Tate	Gwen Kirkham	Susan Cosker

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

Herbert Ford	Charles Taylor	Eric Pringle	Amy Rix
Hilary Starkey	Lionel Thomas		

## NOTICES

**Young Church:** today there will be Children's Worship with Revd Tony Hodder.

**May 14-20.** This 60th year of Christian Aid Week, the need is as great as ever for disaster relief and the plight of refugees. Please take an envelope, and return to the church collection plate, if you are not visited by a collector at home.  
ALL IN AID OF CHRISTIAN AID.

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May (TODAY):** at 6.30 pm Christian Aid service at the Methodist Church. All very welcome.

**Christian Aid Coffee Morning on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May** at S<sup>t</sup> Katherine's Hall from 10.00am-12.00pm. Please come along and bring a cake.

**COME FOR A CUPPA on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May** from 2pm – 4pm at 10 Biddulph Way. There will be a bring and buy staff for Christian Aid.

**Cake and Coffee** in S<sup>t</sup> Katherine's Hall will be on **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May** from **10.30am to 2pm.** Proceeds to S<sup>t</sup> Michael's. Further details from Sue Simpson 632989.

**Magazine.** May's edition is now available. If you have friends who you feel might appreciate a copy, please take a spare copy from the back of church and give it to them.

**Church Mission Society:** have a look at the CMS noticeboard for a letter from the Ingleby's and information on our new CMS partners.

**Intercessions.** The rota for July to December 2017 will be prepared shortly. There is always room for additional folk who would like to contribute to our regular Sunday worship in this way. If there is anybody not currently on the rota who would like to be included in future, please speak to Tony Goodall, or contact him on 635480 or gtonygoodall@aol.com.

The second FREE Ledbury **CAP Money Course** will be held on two consecutive **Saturdays, 22nd and 29th July** from **3.30 to 5.30pm**, this time in **The Chapter House**. If you, or someone you know, would like to discover this proven formula for managing money to prevent getting into debt, please register that interest at ledbury.ministry@talktalk.net, or by telephoning Ruth on 01531 670196. There will be no exam to pass but at completion of the course you will be delighted to discover that the CAP system is simple and effective; a small investment of time for peace of mind.

**Thank you** all for the many caring messages. Blessings,Gwen.

### Dates for your Diary

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 7:30pm** – **S<sup>t</sup> Katherine's Hall Church Meeting** to pray, discuss and explore our dreams for its future uses. *What would you love to see happening at S. Katherine's? What would you come up with if money was no object?* Your ideas and suggestions are wanted. Do come and listen, speak, pray and share.

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 7:30pm** – **Ledbury Pastoral Scheme Completion celebration service with Bishop Richard.** Cider, Hop and Ledbury & Eastnor and anyone else who'd like to join us will gather at S. Michael's, looking forward to God blessing us in this new chapter of His people in this area.

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June 10am until 3pm** – **Ledbury Community Day.**  
Volunteers for coffee/refreshments needed. Please contact Sue Simpson 632989.

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 9:30am Community Celebration Service,** following on from the community day, it's an opportunity to invite and bring friends and others.

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 7:30pm** – **S<sup>t</sup> Katherine's Hall Community Meeting**