



## THE PARISHES OF LEDBURY AND EASTNOR

*Worshipping God,  
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*



### Twelfth Sunday after Trinity Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2017

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion  
(Led by The Revd Tony Hodder)
- 10.30am Holy Communion  
(Led by: The Revd Tony Hodder  
Guest Speaker: Trevor Grant  
from The Leprosy Mission)
- 6.30pm Evensong  
(Led by Brian Bowers)

We welcome everyone visiting us in Ledbury this week. The 10.30am 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	4 <sup>th</sup> September	8.00pm	Ecumenical Worship at Pool Barn
Thurs	7 <sup>th</sup> September	7-12-7	Prayers (in The Choir Vestry at 7 & 7, 12 in S <sup>t</sup> Anne's)
Fri	8 <sup>th</sup> September	9.00am	Prayer Meeting, S <sup>t</sup> Anne's Chapel
		10.30am	Holy Communion, S <sup>t</sup> Katherine's Chapel

### Next Sunday 10th September 2017 Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion
- 9.30am Parish Communion with Prayer Ministry
- 11.15am Eastnor Parish Communion

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 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2017: *Twelfth Sunday after Trinity*

#### First Reading: Romans 12.9-21

9 Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; 10 love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. 11 Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. 12 Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. 13 Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. 14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. 15 Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. 16 Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. 17 Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. 18 If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. 19 Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' 20 No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' 21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

#### Gospel Reading: Matthew 16.21-28

21 From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. 22 And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' 23 But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' 24 Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 25 For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. 26 For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? 27 For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. 28 Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

#### COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ your Son our 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

God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**We pray for:**

- Our link CMS mission partners, our Leprosy Mission partners Victor & Mary Parisipogula, and St Michael and All Angels, Mtwara and St John the Baptist Church, Likonde.

**Those who are sick:**

Dean Jackson                      Sheila Anthony                      Ann Tindall                      Lois Pratt

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

Geoffrey Fletcher                      William Scott                      Stan Tooby                      Veronica Land

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 10.30am – 1.00pm Macmillan Coffee Morning** at St Katherine's Hall. Further details from Sue Simpson 632989.

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September – Men's Breakfast.** The next men's breakfast will be held in the Seven Stars restaurant at 9.15am. . Price £8. We would love to see you and if you can come, please sign the sheet at the back of the church so we get some idea of how many to cater for. The speaker will be John Lindeck.

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September – S. Michael's Patronal Festival. Bring and Share lunch.** This will also be 'badge Sunday, when you will be invited to wear a badge with your name on it. Book the day and event in your diary.

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October – Sponsored Dog Walk**

Perry Street (English Setter) invites his dog friends to join him on a walk to raise money for next year's Flower Festival at St Michael's Church. The walk will start at the Market House at 2pm on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October. Please contact Judy Street on 01531-635404 or e-mail nigel.j.street@gmail.com for more details and a sponsor form.

**Saturdays, 14th and 21st October** from 3.30 - 5.30pm. This church will be running the next **(Christians Against Poverty) CAP Money Management** course in The Chapter House. *All* are welcome to participate in this excellent, free course to learn more about how to manage finances in the modern world to ensure that present outgoings are provided for and future ones planned for. It does not matter whether your income is meagre or generous, it will be of benefit to you. To find out more or to register contact: ledbury.ministry@talktalk.net or telephone Ruth Wragg on 01531 670196.

**Magazine.** The September 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. Please note that articles for the October magazine should be sent to Ian Beer. Ian's email address is: ankerdine1@btinternet.com

**Thank you to all** who attended and donated at the Church Mission Society coffee morning last month which raised the grand sum of £860.00.

**Bells** - The ringers apologise for the lack of bells for the morning service but there are too many people away or otherwise unavailable. There should be ringing for evensong as people can be drawn in from other churches.

**Children and Families Worker**

PLEASE PRAY DAILY AS FOLLOWS: Week 4

Almighty God

You have told us to be still, and know that you are God.

\* Be very present with us this week.

\* Keep us still in your presence as we hold up our children and their families to you for your care.

\* Guide our thinking as we consider how we shall work personally, and together with others at St Michael's, and ecumenically, for the nurture of our children and families... Be they big ways or small.

\* Please call to your service here, a worker who will respond to our advertisement and be right person to share, support and extend our vision.

Thank you, Lord.

Diana Veasey on behalf of the planning group.

**The Worship Review and Development Group** was convened by the Rector and draws its members from different parts of our church. We are seeking to clarify our present patterns of worship and discover those aspects which help or hinder people in their Christian discipleship. There will be opportunities in the early autumn for everyone to contribute ideas.'

**TODAY at 2.00 pm**, There will be a **Service of Remembrance for Merchant Navy Day**, by the War Memorial. All merchant navy personnel, their families, descendants and member of the public are invited to attend. Councillor Jean Simpson, at Ledbury Town Council, 01531 632306, can be contacted for more information.

**On Sunday 8th October 4 - 5.30 pm** there will be a '**Newcomers' tea**'; a chance for anyone relatively new to the congregation to come and meet some regulars and find out what goes on in our church. I am sending out invitations but if you haven't received one and would like to come, please let me know. Offers of cakes and sandwiches, as well as of people able to come on the day to add to our welcome, would be gratefully received. Mary Anne Keyes Telephone: 07962 323 454 Email: [makeyes25@hotmail.com](mailto:makeyes25@hotmail.com)

**NOTICES**

**Tower Lights:** are sponsored by David and Eileen Wall.

## Reading for the 10.30am Service

Matthew 25:31-41

<sup>31</sup> “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. <sup>32</sup> All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup> He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

<sup>34</sup> “Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. <sup>35</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, <sup>36</sup> I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’

<sup>37</sup> “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?’ <sup>38</sup> When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? <sup>39</sup> When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’

<sup>40</sup> “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

<sup>41</sup> “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. <sup>42</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, <sup>43</sup> I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.’

<sup>44</sup> “They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?’

<sup>45</sup> “He will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.’

<sup>46</sup> “Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”