



THE PARISHES OF LEDBURY AND EASTNOR

*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*



Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday 10th September 2017

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion
(Led by *The Revd Michael Gallagher*)
- 9.30am Parish Communion with Prayer Ministry
(Led by: *The Revd Michael Gallagher*)
- 11.15am Eastnor Parish Communion
(Led by: *The 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' Anne's Chapel at the end of the service.

Church Diary for the week ahead

Mon	11 th September	8.00pm	Ecumenical Worship at Pool Barn
Weds	13 th September	6.45pm for 7pm	Evening Prayer Service, S' Anne Chapel
Thurs	14 th September	7-12-7	Prayers (in The Choir Vestry at 7 & 7, 12 in S' Anne's)
Fri	15 th September	9.00am	Prayer Meeting, S' Anne's Chapel
		10.30am	Holy Communion, S' Katherine's Chapel

Next Sunday 17th September 2017 Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion
- 9.30am Parish Communion with Prayer Ministry
- 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 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 10th September 2017: *Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity*

First Reading: **Ezekiel 33.7-11**

So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. 8 If I say to the wicked, 'O wicked ones, you shall surely die,' and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand.

9 But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life. 10 Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: 'Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?' 11 Say to them, As I live, says the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Second Reading: **Romans 13.8-14**

8 Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. 9 The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'

10 Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

11 Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; 12 the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; 13 let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. 14 Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Gospel Reading: **Matthew 18.15-20**

15 'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. 16 But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses.

17 If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. 18 Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. 19 Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. 20 For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

COLLECT

Almighty God, You call Your Church to bear witness that You were in Christ reconciling the world to Yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of Your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to You; through Him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God our creator, You feed Your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

NOTICES

Tower Lights: are sponsored by Joyce and Julien Potter

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

A message from Veronica Land's family: Many thanks to all at St Michael's for the kind messages, support and prayers shared with us and Veronica over the last few months. We are so grateful for all the help we received with Veronica's thanksgiving service; the church family really pulled together to help us through a difficult time and to give Veronica a very special send off.

Children and Families Worker

PLEASE ALL PRAY A COUPLE OF TIMES A DAY AS FOLLOWS: Week 5

Jesus, who taught us that many are called but few are chosen, please

* oversee the shortlisting for this post, and ensure that the task group continue prayerfully to discern your will throughout this appointment process;

* give peace to any candidates rejected, and give strength and an invigorated sense of purpose to any who are selected for interview;

* prepare the interviewing team to work well together in your love, as they meet to finalise their interview technique;

* continue to help all of us prepare to contribute our support to this new post at St Michael's. Thank you, Lord.

Diana Veasey on behalf of the planning group.

The Worship Review and Development Group convened by the Rector has started work. It draws its members from different parts of our church. Currently, we are seeking to improve our understanding of the views and aspirations of all the congregation. To that end we shall ask everyone attending to complete a short and simple survey. Please do fill that in before you leave church. In particular, please let us know what aspects of current practice help or hinder you in your Christian discipleship. There will be further opportunities in the early autumn for everyone to contribute ideas.

GROUPS @ St MICHAELS: Are you a member of a group at St Michael's? Whether you are or not, we want to find out your views on groups, be they house groups or other small groups. Please help us by filling in the questionnaire enclosed in this Pew Sheet; ask David Kirkham for a larger copy if the print is too small for you to read. It won't take more than a few minutes and what you think will tell us if we need more groups and help us to create groups that meet our needs.

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

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

Saturday 23rd 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 24th 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 8th 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 8th October. Please contact Judy Street on 01531-635404 or e-mail nigel.j.street@gmail.com for more details and a sponsor form.

Wednesday 11th October at 2.30pm Friends of Ledbury Parish Church – Annual

General Meeting. After the business of the meeting Tim Keyes will be talking/ demonstrating bell ringing under the title Ringing the Changes: the loudest secret of St. Michael's. Tea, coffee and cakes will then be served in the Chapter House – all welcome

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.