



THE PARISHES OF LEDBURY AND EASTNOR

*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Sunday 22nd April 2018

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion
Led by The Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey
Preacher: Brian Bowers
- 9.30am Parish Communion with Prayer Ministry
Led by The Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey
Preacher: Brian Bowers
- 11.15am Eastnor Parish Communion
Led by The Revd Joan Wakeling
- 4.00pm The 4 o'clock Service
Led by The Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey

Church Diary for the week ahead

Monday	23rd April	8.00pm	Ecumenical Worship, Ledbury Baptist Church
Weds	25th April	6.45pm for 7pm	Evening Prayer Service, S ^t Anne Chapel
Thurs	26th April	7-12-7	Prayers (in The Choir Vestry at 7-12-7 in S ^t Anne's)
Friday	27th April	9.00am	Prayer Meeting, S ^t Anne's Chapel
		10.30am	Holy Communion, S ^t Katherine's Chapel

Next Sunday 29th April 2018 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion
- 9.30am Parish Communion with Prayer Ministry
- 6.30pm BCP 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.

Facebook – The church has a facebook page:

[fb.me/stmichaelsledbury](https://www.facebook.com/fb.me/stmichaelsledbury) – take a look, like and participate

Twitter – If you use Twitter do sign-up to S. Michael's twitter account: @LedburyParish

Parish office: phone number: 01531 631531. **Email:** ledbury.ministry@talktalk.net

Readings for 22nd April 2018: *Easter 4* *The Lord's Prayer: 3*

First Reading: **Exodus 15: 1 – 4, 13 – 15 & 21 – 22**

¹They set out from Elim and all the congregation of the people of Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt. ²And the whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness ³and the people of Israel said to them, "Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. ⁵On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily." ...

¹³In the morning dew lay around the camp. ¹⁴And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground.

¹⁵When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat." ...

²¹Morning by morning they gathered it, each as much as he could eat; but when the sun grew hot, it melted. ²²On the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread.

Second Reading: **John 6: 25 – 35 & 47 – 51a**

²⁵When [the crowds] found [Jesus] on the other side of the sea, they said to Him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves.

²⁷Do not labour for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on Him God the Father has set His seal."

²⁸Then they said to Him, "What must we do, to be doing the works of God?"

²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He has sent." ³⁰So they said to Him, "Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform? ³¹Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'"

³²Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven.

³³For the bread of God is He who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

³⁴They said to Him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.

⁴⁷Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life.

⁴⁹Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven.

Gospel Reading: Luke 11: 1 – 4

¹Jesus was praying in a certain place and when He finished, one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." ²And He said to them,

"When you pray, say:

"Father, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come.

³Give us each day our daily bread

⁴and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us.

And lead us not into temptation."

COLLECT

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in Him from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where He reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Merciful Father, You gave Your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in His love for us to lay down His life and rise again: keep us always under His protection and give us grace to follow in His steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We pray for:

) Our link CMS mission partners, our Leprosy Mission partners and S^t Michael and All Angels, Mtwara and S^t John the Baptist Church, Likonde.

Those who are sick:

Dean Jackson	Revd Hugh Wakeling	Steve Taylor	Monnica Hussey
Father Jackan	Christabel Panter	John Sutton	
Waweru (Mtwara)			

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

Frederick Firkens	Margaret Langley
-------------------	------------------

NOTICES

Tower Lights are sponsored this week by Elaine Toyer/ Sue and David Entwistle.

Young Church – today theme will be 'Jesus The Good Shepherd'.

The theme next week will be 'God is Love'

Wanted: a high chair for coffee mornings at S^t Katherine's. If you have a spare high chair in good condition, please contact Sue Simpson. 01531 632989

Flower Festival May 25th -28th. Any offers of help for this event will be gratefully received--particularly offers of cakes and scones, help serving, waiting tables or washing up. I shall be at a table at the back of church for the next few Sundays if you can offer help in any way. I will then prepare rotas of availability. Thank you , Maggie Mackenzie. 579009

Would you like to discuss and explore any Questions you may have regarding Sunday readings, the Bible or your faith? Please come to an Outreach Meeting between 7pm and 9.00pm at The Lion Pub, Bye Street on Tuesday evenings. All very welcome.

Ruth Wragg has been ensuring that there is transport to the monthly Coffee Stop in the Chapter House for those who require it - currently only two persons - but, since she is leaving Ledbury, requires someone else to take on this small task, which takes about half an hour a month. She has a list of willing drivers. Please telephone her to volunteer: 01531 670196 or 07964 544483.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 23rd April – S^t George's Day Organ Recital from 12.30pm with four organists.

Wednesday 25th April – Coffee Morning from 10am to 1pm at S^t Katherine's Hall.

Friday 27th April – Eastnor Church Quiz at 7.30pm at Eastnor Cricket Club. There will be a quiz evening to raise funds for church restoration. Tickets are free but donations will be solicited on the night. All contributions will be used for repairs. Bar facilities available and Bar facilities available and there will be a raffle. 4 people per table. To reserve a table contact Joan Wakeling (633188) or Bev Jones (636378). Please come and join us.

Sunday 6th May – Newcomers' Tea, 4.00 – 5.30 pm. Anyone who is 'new' to the church is invited to get to know a few more people over tea, cake and chat in the Chapter House. If you know of anyone you feel should be invited please let me know. I would be grateful for offers of cakes, and of help with welcoming and serving on the day please. **Mary Anne Keyes** 01531579021 makeyes25@hotmail.com

Wednesday 9th May – Ladies who Lunch from 12 noon at the Nest. Further details from Sue Simpson on 632989.

Saturday 19th May – Men's Breakfast. . The next breakfast will be held on Saturday 19th May at 9.15am at the Seven Stars Restaurant in the Homend. Price £8. The speaker will be Tony Hodder. We very much hope you will be able to be there. If you can could you please sign the sheet at the back of church so that we for how many we are catering?

Saturday 2nd June – Church Away Day at Tarrington Village Hall:
9.30am to setup, tea & coffee from 10.00am, opening worship at 10.15am,
event ending at 2pm