



THE PARISHES OF LEDBURY AND EASTNOR

*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*



FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Sunday 3rd JUNE 2018

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion
Led by The Revd William Simmonds
- 10.30am Parish Communion with The Border Singers
*Led by The Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey
Preacher The Revd William Simmonds*
- 4.30pm Choral Evensong with The Border Singers
Led by The Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey

Church Diary for the week ahead

Mon	4 th June	8.00pm	Ecumenical Worship, Ledbury Baptist Church
Wed	6 th June	6.45pm	for 7pm Evening Prayer Service, S ^t Anne Chapel
Thurs	7 th June	7-12-7	Prayers (in The Choir Vestry at 7-12-7 in S ^t Anne's)
Friday	8 th June	9.00am	Prayer Meeting, S ^t Anne's Chapel
		10.30am	Holy Communion, S ^t Katherine's Chapel

Next Sunday 10th JUNE 2018

COMMUNITY SUNDAY/ SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion
- 9.30am Community Celebration Service
- 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 under the 'Services' section.

Facebook – The church has a facebook page:

[fb.me/stmichaelsledbury](https://www.facebook.com/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 3rd June 2018: *Trinity 1*

First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1–20

¹Now the young man Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision.

²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. ³The lamp of God had not yet gone out and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.

⁴Then the LORD called Samuel and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down.

⁶And the LORD called again, "Samuel!" and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again."

⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

⁸And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the young man. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down and if He calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for Your servant hears.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!"

And Samuel said, "Speak, for Your servant hears." ¹¹Then the LORD said to Samuel,

"Behold, I am about to do a thing in Israel at which the two ears of everyone who hears it will tingle. ¹²On that day I will fulfil against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³And I declare to him that I am about to punish his house for ever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be atoned for by sacrifice or offering for ever."

¹⁵Samuel lay until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD.

And Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." And he said, "Here I am." ¹⁷And Eli said, "What was it that He told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also if you hide anything from me of all that He told you." ¹⁸So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. And he said, "It is the LORD. Let Him do what seems good to Him."

¹⁹Samuel grew and the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground.

²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel was established as a prophet of the LORD.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4: 5–12

⁵What we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness", has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

⁷But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. ⁸We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies.

¹¹For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. ¹²So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Gospel Reading: Mark 2: 23 – 3: 6

²³One Sabbath [Jesus] was going through the cornfields and as they made their way, His disciples began to pluck ears of corn. ²⁴And the Pharisees said to Him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?"

²⁵And He said to them, "Have you never read what David did, when he was in need and was hungry, he and those who were with him: ²⁶how he entered the house of God, in the time of Abiathar the high priest and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat and also gave it to those who were with him?"

²⁷And he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath.

²⁸So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath."

³¹Again He entered the synagogue, and a man was there with a withered hand.

²And they watched Jesus, to see whether He would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse Him. ³He said to the man with the withered hand, "Come here."

⁴And He said to them, "Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. ⁵And He looked round at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out and his hand was restored. ⁶The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against Him, how to destroy Him.

COLLECT

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because of the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through 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

Eternal Father, we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts: may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope and make us grow in love; for the sake of 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
Revd David Price	David Kirkham		

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

Annette Fox	Bill Masefield	Paul Jones	Maureen Jones
Patricia Stroud			

NOTICES

Young Church –today the theme will **Paul's Letters 'Treasure in Clay Jars'**.

Next week there will be Children's Worship with Revd Tony Hodder.

Magazine: The June edition is now ready for collection at the back of Church, please help yourselves to a copy. Julia Warren will be editing the July/August edition of the magazine. Please send your contribution to Julia, via Sarah in the Ledbury Group Office. Email: ledbury.ministry@talktalk.net Contributions must be received by **June 13th** at the latest.

A HUGE THANK YOU – to the Committee, flower arrangers, stewards, volunteers, supporters and visitors who all who made at The Flower Festival such a success. We will let you know shortly how much money was raised.

Stewardship Sunday: Stewardship Sunday will be on **17th June** (part two will be the next Sunday **24th June**) when everyone in Stewardship will find an envelope for collection in church. This will include a letter re-launching Stewardship and a leaflet about giving. It will also include boxes of dated envelopes for those donating by that method. Anybody new who wishes to join St Michael's Stewardship scheme can find a blank form for that purpose in a holder which is always at the back of the church. Please complete the form and leave it in the G pigeon hole for the attention of the Stewardship Recorder.

Tony Goodall (Stewardship Recorder).

The rota for the second half of 2018 has now been distributed to intercessors, by email where known, otherwise in pigeon holes. Please would you check that you have received your copy. Any problems, please let Tony Goodall know (635480).

THANK YOU – David and Gwen would like to thank everyone who has sent a message, signed a card or offered help in any way during the time that David has been laid up. It is good to know that so many people are thinking of us and encouraging recovery, we thank the Lord for your love and care and look forward to being with you all again soon.

Bells. The ringers apologise for the absence of ringing for Evensong and possibly for the morning service as well as there are too many people unavailable. More ringers needed, please!

Coffee Evening at Coffee Number 1 - Friday 8th June 5.30-7.30pm Numbers have been down for the last few events and as such we may not be able to continue at the current time with current levels of support due to Coffee 1's costs not being covered by the money taken over the counter.

Please do consider supporting this next event if you wish this to continue for the future and please do consider bringing a friend with you as this is a great opportunity for non-Church people to get to know those of us who are.

The music will be relaxed and easy going at a volume that doesn't overpower people's conversation. Many thanks. Tony

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

TODAY - 10:30am and 4:30pm The Border Singers will be providing choral accompaniment to our services,

Wednesday 6th June at S^t Katherine's Hall from 10.00am-1.00pm Coffee Morning.
All very welcome.

Thursday 7th June – Mothers' Union Meeting at 2.00pm in the Market House.

Saturday 9th June – Community Day. Lots going on! Volunteers to be in church to welcome people and to participate and present some of what we do are needed. We hope to have at least two or three folk about all day. Just come along and join in. Could this be you?

Saturday 9th June – Traidcraft Sale from 10.30am to 1.00pm at 6 Orchard Rise.

Sunday 10th June – Community Celebration Service at 9:30am. Come, support and celebrate our Ledbury Community. Who could you invite and bring along?