



THE PARISHES OF LEDBURY AND EASTNOR

*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*



SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Sunday 15th July 2018

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion
Led by The Very Revd Nick Bury
- 9.30am Parish Communion with Prayer Ministry
Led by The Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey
Preacher Richard Jones
- 6.30pm Evensong
Led by Mary Anne Keyes
Preacher The Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey

Church Diary for the week ahead

Mon	16 th July	8.00pm	Ecumenical Worship, Ledbury Baptist Church
Thurs	19 th July	7-12-7	Prayers
		10.30am	Mothers' Union Corporate Communion, S ^t Katherine's Chapel
Friday	20 th July	9.00am	Prayer Meeting, S ^t Anne's Chapel
		10.30am	Holy Communion, S ^t Katherine's Chapel

Next Sunday 22nd July 2018 MARY MAGDALEN

- 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 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](https://twitter.com/LedburyParish)

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Readings for 15th July 2018: *Trinity 7*

First Reading: **Psalm 24**

¹The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein,
²for He has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.
³Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in His holy place?
⁴He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.
⁵He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
⁶Such is the generation of those who seek Him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.
⁷Lift up your heads, O gates!
And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
⁸Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!
⁹Lift up your heads, O gates!
And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
¹⁰Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts; He is the King of glory!

Second Reading: **Ephesians 1: 3 – 14**

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴even as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before Him. In love ⁵He predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of His will, ⁶to the praise of His glorious grace, with which He has blessed us in the Beloved. ⁷In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, ⁸which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight ⁹making known to us the mystery of His will, according to His purpose, which He set forth in Christ ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in Him, things in heaven and things on earth.
¹¹In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, ¹²so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of His glory. ¹³In Him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation and believed in Him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of His glory.

Gospel Reading: **Mark 6: 14 – 29**

¹⁴King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some said, "John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in him."
¹⁵But others said, "He is Elijah." And others said, "He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." ¹⁶But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." ¹⁷For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her.
¹⁸For John had been saying to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife."
¹⁹And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death. But she could not, ²⁰for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man and he kept him safe. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed and yet he heard him gladly.

²¹But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. ²²For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests. And the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish and I will give it to you." ²³And he vowed to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom." ²⁴And she went out and said to her mother, "For what should I ask?" And she said, "The head of John the Baptist." ²⁵And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter."

²⁶And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her. ²⁷And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison ²⁸and brought his head on a platter, gave it to the girl and the girl gave it to her mother.

²⁹When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

COLLECT

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of Your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness and of Your great mercy keep us in the same; 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

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving Himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of His death and passion that, in His saving cup, we may share His glory and be made perfect in His love; for He is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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 Steve Taylor

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

Annette Fox	Bill Masefield	Paul Jones	Maureen Jones
Patricia Stroud	Jeffrey Davies	Rosemary Thick	Brian Clutterbuck

Help needed with washing/clear up between 1.30pm and 2.00pm on Wednesday afternoons. Please contact Sue Simpson on 632989 if you are able to help.

Help wanted to move a lady who uses the Food Bank from Ledbury to Ross-on-Wye. Further details from Liz Wreford on 633643. Thank you.

Old pillows (synthetic not feather) and **old plain pillowslips** are needed for a craft activity at Noah's camp. If you can help please contact Mary Anne Keyes on makeyes25@hotmail.com or 07962323454.

The PCC produced a Consent Form enabling this church to hold contact information for the congregation and other people associated with it. **It is important that everyone signs one of these forms.** There are forms at the back of church, or they can be obtained from Richard Thursby, Diana Veasey or Peter Veasey. **If you haven't filled in a form already, please fill one in. Thanks.** Please return your completed form in a sealed envelope marked Richard in the "T" Pigeon Hole at the back of the church or give it to Richard, Diana or Peter.

Revd David Price has now moved from the Nursing Home in town to Birchams Grange at Eastnor. We are very grateful for all who have visited him and trust some will be able to continue.

Open Doors – Reaching out to the Persecuted Church: On **Sunday 29th July** Bill MacKenzie, along with 25,000 others, is cycling in the Prudential Ride London. It's a 100 mile course starting at Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park passing many famous London sites along the Thames, which it crosses 3 times, before a jaunt into the Surrey countryside.

Open Doors is a tremendous organisation that works alongside refugees and in hostile areas where indigenous Christians face grave persecution – often from neighbours or terrorist organisations.

Bill would be very grateful if you could sponsor him on behalf of the work **Open Doors** does for persecuted Christians worldwide. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the Church if you feel you could support **Open Doors**.

NOTICES

Young Church – today the theme will be **Bible Fun** Games, quiz and outdoor activities, accompanied by 'picnic'. **This is the last Young Church before we break for the summer and we will restart on Sunday 9 September.**

Thanks to all those who prepare, provide and support Young Church. Have a great and restful summer.

Tower Lights – are sponsored this week by Fran Bradley.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 18th July – Coffee Morning at S^t Katherine's Hall from 10am to 1.00pm. All very welcome.

Thursday 19th July. The Very Revd Nick Bury is giving an illustrated talk at the Master's House on Great Art in Medieval Hospitals. Throughout Europe in the Middle Ages a number of hospitals were established such as St Katherine's in Ledbury, some of which commissioned great art works. In this talk Nick will reveal the best of these works and how it was thought that they would help heal or comfort the sick. **7.00pm - 8.00pm** Tickets £6 available from the Master's House.

Saturday 21st July – Men's Breakfast from 9.15 for 9.30am the Seven Stars restaurant in the Homend. Price £8. The speaker will be Simon Cameron from the Catholic Church telling how he became a Christian. All welcome. It would be helpful if you could sign the list at the back of church.

THE 21ST CENTURY CHRISTIAN

Members of the small groups at St Michaels invite everyone to come to a meeting at **4.30pm on 22nd July** in the **Burgage Hall**. David Gates will introduce a study-discussion on living as a Christian today. This topic ought to increase our awareness of the love of God and His provision for our development both as individual believers and as Church. Tea will be provided. **Do you need to bring anything?** No, with the exception of a mind ready for what I hope will be a stimulating afternoon. There will be questions and the opportunity to comment, which will be opportunities for learning.

Sunday 29th July at 9.30am - Parish Communion "Worshipping the Lord in Song".

Sunday 5th August at 10.30am – Bishop Richard will be coming.

Sunday 19th August – Cream Tea in the Rectory garden 3.30pm. Do come and bring your friends to a purely social afternoon. All you need is a deckchair and a sunhat hopefully! More details nearer the time, just put the date in your diaries.