



THE PARISHES OF LEDBURY AND EASTNOR

*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*



SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Sunday 16th September 2018

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion
Led by The Revd James Stewart
- 9.30am Parish Communion with Prayer Ministry
Led by The Revd William Simmonds
- 6.30pm Evensong
Led by Mary Anne Keyes

Church Diary for the week ahead

Mon	17 th September	8.00pm	Ecumenical Worship, Ledbury Baptist Church
Thurs	20 th September	7-12-7	Prayers
		10.30am	Mothers' Union Corporate Communion, S ^t Katherine's Chapel
Friday	21st September	9.00am	Prayer Meeting, S ^t Anne's Chapel
		10.30am	Holy Communion, S ^t Katherine's Chapel

Next Sunday 23rd September 2018 SEVENTEENTH 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 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

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Readings for 16th September 2018:

Trinity 16

First Reading: Psalm 19: 1 – 10

¹The heavens declare the glory of God and the sky above proclaims His handiwork.
²Day to day pours out speech and night to night reveals knowledge.
³There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard.
⁴Their voice goes out through all the earth and their words to the end of the world.
 In them He has set a tent for the sun, ⁵which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.
⁶Its rising is from the end of the heavens and its circuit to the end of them and there is nothing hidden from its heat.
⁷The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;
 the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;
⁸the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;
 the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;
⁹the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever;
 the rules of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.
¹⁰More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;
 sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.

Second Reading: James 3: 1 – 12

¹Not many of you should become teachers, brethren, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For we all stumble in many ways. And if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body.
³If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. ⁴Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.
 How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life and set on fire by hell.
⁷For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, ⁸but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless our Lord and Father and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

Gospel Reading: Mark 8: 27 – 38

²⁷Jesus went on with His disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on the way He asked His disciples, "Who do people say that I am?"
²⁸And they told Him, "John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets."
²⁹And He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered Him, "You are the Christ." ³⁰And He strictly charged them to tell no one about Him.

³¹And He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed and after three days rise again. ³²He said this plainly. And Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and seeing His disciples, He rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

³⁴And calling the crowd to Him with His disciples, He said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me."

³⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it.

³⁶For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?

³⁷For what can a man give in return for his soul? ³⁸or whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."

Readings for Evensong are:

Psalm 119: 73-88

Exodus 18: 13-26

Matthew 7: 1-14

COLLECT

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; 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	Steve Taylor	Doreen Summerfield
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We remember those who have died and pray for those who mourn their passing:

Judy Westcott	Jim King	Michael Clueit	Barrie Jones
Ivor Stephens	Jenny Masefield	Sylvia Bailey	

NOTICES

Tower Lights – are sponsored this week in loving memory of Sheila and Alec Luard by their daughters, Elizabeth Symmons, Felicity Luard and Pheobe Ingram.

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

Magazine: The September edition of the magazine is now available at the back of the church, please help yourselves to a copy. The editors for the October edition are Andrew and Cath Beech. Please send them your contributions by **September 23rd at the latest.** Andrew and Cath's email address is beech100@virginmedia.com

FOOD BANK: We receive generous donations of goods at both the Co-op and Tesco trolleys. Our collector from Tesco has unfortunately broken her wrist and although a volunteer has come forward, we would like to share this role. It involves emptying the trolley into bags, bringing them to St. Katherine's and delivering upstairs for sorting. Goods could be collected on **Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning for delivery at 9am on Wednesday morning.** If you can help please ring Liz Wreford on 01531 – 633643.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 17th September – Organ Recital at 12.30pm by David Chandler.

Wednesday 19th September – Coffee Morning at S^t Katherine's Hall **10am to 1.00pm**

Thursday 20th September, 7:30pm St. Anne's Chapel. Fourth in the monthly series of talks on **Church Doctrine.** This talk looking at **Atonement.** Speaker William Simmonds.

Saturday 22nd September - Men's Breakfast at **9.15am for 9.30am** at the Seven Stars restaurant in the Homend. Price £8. The speaker will be Joe Chipper. Those who come to these events find them enjoyable and valuable in deepening their faith. If you haven't been, why not give it a go? If you have come, why not invite a friend to come too? If you are proposing to come, please sign the sheet at the back of church so that we get rough numbers for catering.

Wednesday 26th September Ledbury PCC. Prayer at **7pm, meeting at 7:30pm**

Friday 28th September 7.30pm Quiz Night at Eastnor Castle. Please reserve a table for your team of 4 by calling Beverly Jones 01531 636378. Thank you very much for your support.

Saturday 29th September 10am Lesson readers' training and refresher morning in church. If you read lessons, please come along for a training and encouraging session so we can all improve our reading and our experience as listeners.

Saturday 29th September – David Wood-Robinson's 90th Birthday Celebration, at the Burgage Hall from **3pm to 5pm.**

Sunday 30th September 9:30am Patronal Festival Service

Sunday 30th September 3:30pm Community Civic Celebration

Saturday 6th October – Tea Dance from 3.30pm to 6.30pm in S^t Katherine's Hall.

Friday 12th October Sausage and mash Quiz night. More details in September magazine.

Saturday 13th October in the morning: Meeting to discuss our Christian response, welcome, invitation and outreach to the new housing developments.

Wednesday 17th October – The AGM of The Friends of Ledbury Parish Church take place at **2.30pm.** Following the usual business there will be an illustrated talk by Mr Gareth Davies on **The Coming of the Railways and the role of Railway Chaplains.** The meeting will conclude with refreshments.

Wednesday 12th December – Christmas Lunch at Three Shires Garden Centre. For more information see Sue Simpson.