



**THE PARISHES OF
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR**

*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*

**Sunday 5th May 2019
Third Sunday of Easter**



8.00am BCP Holy Communion
Led by The Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey

10.00am Baptism and Parish Communion
Led by The Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey

6.30pm Evensong
Led by The Revd Tony Hodder

Church Diary for the week ahead

Wednesday 8 th May	6.45pm for 7pm	Evening Prayer Worship Service
Thursday 9 th May	7-12-7	Prayers
Friday 10 th May	9:00am	Prayer Meeting, S ^t Anne's Chapel
	10:30am	Holy Communion, S ^t Katherine's Chapel

**Next Sunday 12th May 2019
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

8.00am BCP Holy Communion
10.00am Morning Worship
11.15am Eastnor Parish Communion
6.30pm Holy Communion

If you are new here, welcome. 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 5th May 2019:

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First Reading:

Zephaniah 3: 14 – 20

Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel!

Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem!

¹⁵The LORD has taken away the judgements against you; He has cleared away your enemies. The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall never again fear evil.

¹⁶On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:

“Fear not, O Zion; let not your hands grow weak.

¹⁷The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save;

He will rejoice over you with gladness; He will quiet you by His love;

He will exult over you with loud singing.

¹⁸I will gather those of you who mourn for the festival,

so that you will no longer suffer reproach.

¹⁹Behold, at that time I will deal with all your oppressors.

And I will save the lame and gather the outcast and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth.

²⁰At that time I will bring you in, at the time when I gather you together;

for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes,” says the LORD.

Second Reading: Acts 9: 1 – 19

¹Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.

³Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, “Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?” ⁵And he said, “Who are you, Lord?” And He said, “I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶But rise and enter the city and you will be told what you are to do.”

⁷The men who were travelling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. ⁸Saul rose from the ground and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹And for three days he was without sight and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias.

The Lord said to him in a vision, “Ananias.” And he said, “Here I am, Lord.”

¹¹And the Lord said to him, “Rise and go to the street called Straight and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying ¹²and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.”

¹³But Ananias answered, “Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. ¹⁴And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name.”

¹⁵But the Lord said to him, “Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. ¹⁶For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.”

¹⁷So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, “Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.”

¹⁸And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptised; ¹⁹and taking food, he was strengthened.

Gospel Reading: John 21: 1 – 19

¹Jesus revealed Himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias and He revealed Himself in this way:

²Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two others of his disciples were together. ³Simon Peter said to them, “I am going fishing.” They said to him, “We will go with you.” They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, “Children, do you have any fish?” They answered Him, “No.” ⁶He said to them, “Cast the net on the right side of the boat and you will find some.” So they cast it and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish.

⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work and threw himself into the sea. ⁸The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.”

¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn.

¹²Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.”

Now none of the disciples dared ask Him, “Who are you?” They knew it was the Lord.

¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them and so with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after He was raised from the dead.

¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter,

“Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?”

He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” He said to him, “Feed my lambs.”

¹⁶He said to him a second time, “Simon, son of John, do you love me?”

He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” He said to him, “Tend my sheep.”

¹⁷He said to him the third time, “Simon, son of John, do you love me?”

Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, “Do you love me?” and he said to Him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.”

Jesus said to him, “Feed my sheep.

¹⁸Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go.”

¹⁹(This He said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.)

And after saying this [Jesus] said to him, “Follow me.”

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.**

Readings for 5th May 2019: *Third Sunday of Easter* **BAPTISM**

First Reading: Isaiah 43: 1 – 18

¹But now says the LORD,

He who created you, O Jacob, He who formed you, O Israel:

“Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;

and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned and the flame shall not consume you.

³For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4: 1 – 6

¹I ... urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called,

²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love,

³eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

⁴There is one body and one Spirit — just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call — ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 28: 16 – 20

¹⁶The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them.

¹⁷And when they saw Him they worshipped Him, but some doubted.

¹⁸Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to obey all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

We pray for:

J 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:

Phyl Sykes	Steve Taylor	Dean Jackson	Mike Wakeford
Diana Veasey	Chrissie Chipper		

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

Susan Farrell	Beryl Darlington	Michael Hampton	Joan Humphries
John Phillips	Yvonne Paten		

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 7th May from 10.00am Contemplative Prayer. Sessions will be in St. Katherine's Chapel on the first and third Tuesday of each month starting in May.

Wednesday 8th May – Coffee Morning at S^t Katherine's Hall from 9.30am to 1.00pm. Everyone is very welcome.

Friday 10th May from 5.00pm – 7.00pm Coffee evening at Coffee 1. We look forward to sharing a great evening of friendship and music together.

Saturday 18th May from 9.15am for 9.30am – Men's Breakfast at the Seven Stars restaurant on the Homend. Cost £8. The speaker will be Revd. Hugh Wakeling. Please sign if you hope to come so that we can give some idea of how many to cater for. Thank you.

Monday 20th May at 12noon Organ Recital by Graham Davies, organist at St Matthias, Malvern Link.

Thursday 30th May at 7.30pm Deanery Ascension Day Service

Saturday 29th June 10am - 2pm Church Away Day, Lady Emily Community Hall, Tarrington.

NOTICES

Young Church – the theme is Fish and Forgiveness.

Quiet Hour every Tuesday morning between 10.30am-11.30am. A member of Pastoral Care team is available for private conversation in the church.

Our bank has recently become stricter about accepting cheques. So if you are paying a cheque to the church please put '**PCC of Ledbury**' (and nothing else) as the payee. If the cheque is for a specific purpose such as tower sponsorship or the bells fund, please write this on the back. If you are willing and able to use electronic banking please do so.

Flower Arranging Classes. The classes will be held in the Market Theatre foyer, and the cost will be £6.00 per session, £36.00 for all six sessions. The classes are for beginners. The dates are: **May 16th, 23rd, and 30th, June 13th and 27th and July 11th. From 1.30pm to 4.00pm.** Open to all church members.

Please contact Gill Romanowski on 01531-636309 for more details and to book a place.

A big thank you to everyone who hosted, attended and supported the Mtwara Lent Lunches. The sum raised was £1001.00.

Dear Friends - A note of thanks for all the prayers, greetings, flowers, music, reading materials, calls, emails, cards and visits I have received during my current 6 weeks lack of mobility... every one so much appreciated. On Wednesday next week, if all goes well, I shall have plaster swapped for boot and be able to take part weight on my mending foot/ankle. So my, boot and crutches may join in our various activities again from time to time. My biggest thanks go to God for His eternal healing presence of grace and love, and then to Peter for his continuing unselfish support of me.

As I sit peacefully, reading and reflecting on all that we do, my prayers are with us all as we seek to live and share our faith.

Love and Blessings. Diana Veasey