



**THE PARISHES OF
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR**



*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*

**Sunday 2nd June 2019
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

8.00am BCP Holy Communion
Led by The Revd William Simmonds

10.00am Parish Communion with Prayer Ministry
*Led by The Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey
Preacher: The Revd William Simmonds*

6.30pm Evensong
Led by The Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey

Church Diary for the week ahead

Monday 3 rd June	8:00pm	Ecumenical Worship, Ledbury Baptist Church
Thursday 6 th June	7.30pm	Archdeacon's Visitation
	7-12-7	Prayers
Friday 7 th June	9:00am	Prayer Meeting, S ^t Anne's Chapel
	10:30am	Holy Communion, S ^t Katherine's Chapel

**Next Sunday 9th June 2019
PENTECOST SUNDAY**

8.00am BCP Holy Communion
10.00am Parish Communion and Prayer Ministry
11.15am Eastnor Parish Communion
3.00pm Joint Pentecost Service (at Ledbury Community Hall)

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

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Readings for 2nd June 2019:

Seventh Sunday of Easter

First Reading:

Ezekiel 36: 24 – 28

²⁴ [Thus says the Lord God] I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. ²⁵ I will sprinkle clean water on you and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses and from all your idols I will cleanse you. ²⁶ And I will give you a new heart and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷ And I will put my Spirit within you and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. ²⁸ You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers and you shall be my people and I will be your God.

Second Reading: Acts 16: 16 – 34

¹⁶As we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners much gain by fortune-telling. ¹⁷She followed Paul and us, crying out, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." ¹⁸And this she kept doing for many days.

Paul, having become greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

¹⁹But when her owners saw that their hope of gain was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the rulers. ²⁰And when they had brought them to the magistrates, they said, "These men are Jews and they are disturbing our city. ²¹They advocate customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to accept or practise." ²²The crowd joined in attacking them and the magistrates tore the garments off them and gave orders to beat them with rods. ²³And when they had inflicted many blows upon them, they threw them into prison, ordering the jailer to keep them safely. ²⁴Having received this order, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks.

²⁵About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God and the prisoners were listening to them ²⁶and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's bonds were unfastened. ²⁷When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." ²⁹And the jailer called for lights and rushed in and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas.

³⁰Then he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" ³¹And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved, you and your household."

³²And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house.

³³And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; and he was baptised at once, he and all his family. ³⁴Then he brought them up into his house and set food before them. And he rejoiced along with his entire household that he had believed in God.

Gospel Reading: John 17: 20 – 26

²⁰“I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one, just as You, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

²²The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, ²³in them and You in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.

²⁴Father, I desire that they also, whom You have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that You have given me because You loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵O righteous Father, even though the world does not know You, I know you and these know that You have sent me. ²⁶I made known to them Your name and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which You have loved me may be in them and I in them.”

COLLECT

O God the King of glory, You have exalted Your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to Your kingdom in heaven: we implore You, leave us not comfortless, but send Your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, 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 God, giver of love and power, Your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of His kingdom: confirm us in this mission and help us to live the good news we proclaim; 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:

Phyl Sykes	Steve Taylor	Dean Jackson	Mike Wakeford
Diana Veasey	Don Rule	Ken Simpson	

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

John Phillips	Yvonne Paten	Michael Ing
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NOTICES

Tower Lights are sponsored this week by Phyllis Brothers.

Young Church – today the theme will be ‘

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 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.

Intercessions. The rota for the second half of 2019 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).

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

TODAY at 4.30pm - The next Talking Jesus Course session in St Katherine’s Hall. For further information either talk to or contact David Houghton – davidhoughton955@btinternet.com

Tuesday 4th June from 10.00am Contemplative Prayer. Sessions will be in St. Katherine’s Chapel on the first and third Tuesday of each month.

Wednesday 29th May – Coffee Morning at S^t Katherine’s Hall from 9.30am to 1.00pm. Everyone is very welcome.

Thursday 6th June 7:30pm Archdeacon’s visitation & swearing in of churchwardens

Friday 7th June 10am - 12noon: Coffee Stop in the Chapter House. Come and enjoy company and chat, together with refreshment. We are always pleased to see you.

Saturday 8th June – Community Day. There will be a prayer tent from 10am to 2pm outside The Masters House and S^t Katherine’s Hall. Strawberries and cream will be served in the Church from 10.30am to 2.00pm.

Saturday 8th June from 7.30pm in S^t Michael’s – Hereford Gilbert and Sullivan Society present a 1940’s Tribute Concert. With songs popularised by Dame Vera Lynn and the Andrews Sisters, some Gilbert and Sullivan and some music from one of the earliest technicolor films, The Wizard of Oz, on its 80th anniversary. Why not join us for a trip down memory lane. Tickets on the door £10. Or email lucywalden49@gmail.com to reserve your tickets.

Sunday 9th June at 3pm Joint Pentecost Service, an ecumenical celebration at Ledbury Community Hall, Lawnside. Following the service there will be a bring and share meal together. Please do bring food to share with others as we celebrate together.

Wednesday 12th June from 12noon Ladies who Lunch at the Radway Bridge Garden Centre on the Hereford/Worcester Road. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of Church.

Friday 14th June from 5.00pm – 7.00pm Coffee evening at Coffee 1. We look forward to sharing a great evening of friendship and music together.

Sunday 16th June - Stewardship Sunday 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 marked for the attention of the Stewardship Recorder. *Tony Goodall (Stewardship Recorder).*

Monday 17th June at 12noon Organ Recital by John Wilderspin (from Pershore) Davies, organist at St Matthias, Malvern Link.

Wednesday 19th June from 10am-12noon Coffee Morning at 4 Jubilee Close, Ledbury to raise funds for church Flower Guild. There will be tea, coffee, delicious homemade cakes. Also plants, cakes and cards for sale and a raffle! If you would like to come please phone Gill Romanowski on 01531-636309

Thursday 20th June at 7.30pm in S^t Anne’s Chapel – ‘Postcards From Paul’ talks continue. The talk will be on 1 Corinthians.

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