



THE PARISHES OF LEDBURY AND EASTNOR



*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*

Sunday 8th March 2020 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion
Led by Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey
- 10.00am Morning Worship
Led by Mary Anne Keyes, Preacher Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey
- 11.15am Eastnor Parish Communion
Led by The Revd Joan Wakeling
- 6.30pm Holy Communion
Led by Revd Tony Hodder

Church Diary for the week ahead

Monday 9th March	8:00pm	Ecumenical Worship, Ledbury Baptist Church
Wednesday 11 th March	6.45pm for 7pm	Evening Prayers, S ^t Anne's Chapel
Thursday 12 th March	7, 12, 7	Prayers
Friday 13 th March	9:00am	Prayer Meeting, S ^t Anne's Chapel
	10:30am	Holy Communion, S ^t Katherine's Chapel

Next Sunday 15th March THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion
- 10.00am Parish Communion and Prayer Ministry
- 6.30pm Evensong

If you are new here, welcome. Please fill in one of the 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 can be found on the church website www.ledburyparishchurch.org.uk under the 'Services' section and are posted in the church porch..

Facebook – The church's facebook page: [fb.me/stmichaelsledbury](https://www.facebook.com/stmichaelsledbury) – Do have a look, like and participate.

Twitter – Do sign-up to S. Michael's twitter account: @LedburyParish.

Parish office: phone number: 01531 631 531.

Email: ledbury.ministry@talktalk.net

Readings for 8th March 2020: *Lent II 8 & 10am services R3: Renew*

First Reading: Colossians 3: 1 – 10

¹If then, you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. ⁵Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.

Second Reading: Psalm 51: 1 – 17

¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to Your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. ²Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin! ³For I know my transgressions and my sin is ever before me. ⁴Against You, You only, have I sinned and done what is evil in Your sight, so that You may be justified in Your words and blameless in Your judgement. ⁵Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity and in sin did my mother conceive me. ⁶Behold, You delight in truth in the inward being and You teach me wisdom in the secret heart. ⁷Purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean; wash me and I shall be whiter than snow. ⁸Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice. ⁹Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities. ¹⁰Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. ¹¹Cast me not away from your presence and take not your Holy Spirit from me. ¹²Restore to me the joy of your salvation and uphold me with a willing spirit. ¹³Then I will teach transgressors your ways and sinners will return to you. ¹⁴Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, O God of my salvation and my tongue will sing aloud of your righteousness. ¹⁵O Lord, open my lips and my mouth will declare Your praise. ¹⁶For You will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it; You will not be pleased with a burnt offering. ¹⁷The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, You will not despise.

Third Reading: Isaiah 40: 28 – 31

²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard?
The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary; His understanding is unsearchable.
²⁹He gives power to the faint and to Him who has no might He increases strength.
³⁰Even youths shall faint and be weary and young men shall fall exhausted;

³¹but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

Readings for the 6.30pm Holy Communion:

Psalms 135, Numbers 21:4-9, Luke 14:27-33

COLLECT

Almighty God, You show to those who are in error the light of Your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of faith in Christ, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, 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 see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; 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, Mtwarra and S^t John the Baptist Church, Likonde.

Those who are sick:

Phyl Sykes	Steve Taylor	Dean Jackson	Mike Wakeford
Barbara Williams	John Boyle	Kate Greenhall	Miles Oliver
Sheila Anthony			

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

Peter Attenborough	Sandra Peters	Robert Orrett	David Strutt
Helen Hadfield	Peter Adams	Patricia Holmes	

NOTICES

Young Church. today there will be Children's Worship.

12,000 opportunities to say, 'Welcome'. From **April to the end of October** this year there is every possibility that over 12,000 visitors will come to St Michaels. Would you like to be part of the Friends of Ledbury Parish Church welcoming team? Currently we cover only 40% of available two hourly welcoming 'slots'. While a regular commitment would be ideal, it is appreciated some will have more complex diary arrangements. If you are willing to help, we will do all we can to accommodate you. Please have a word with David Houghton or email him at davidhoughton955@btinternet.com

Thank you for all your financial support over the last year, through the Parish Giving Scheme, Standing Orders and Envelopes. A special thank you to Tony and Lesley Goodhall for all their work over several years as Recorder and Secretary of our Stewardship Scheme. If you want to know how much you gave, please see or call David Kirkham (our new Stewardship Recorder), If you want to give regularly to the work and maintenance of S^t Michael's or if you want to join the PGS (and if you give by envelope or SO already I suggest strongly that you should) please contact me on 01531 637227 or david.kirkham2@btinternet.com

'Real' Easter Eggs' Akin to the 'real' advent calendars, these eggs are made of Fairly traded chocolate and have materials with them telling the Easter Story. If you would like to order please contact Mary Anne Keyes on 07962 323454 or makeyes25@hotmail.com

Tower Clearance. Work begins imminently on the tower and bells. There are a few items not related to the bells which have been stored for a long time in the bottom of the tower but can no longer be accommodated there. It would be helpful to know whether all these are required. If you think something might be stored there for which you have a use, please let us know as soon as possible. As it will be a construction site, there will be **NO ACCESS** to the base of the tower after this weekend unless escorted by someone authorised by the PCC. For reasons of security and to avoid cluttering up the church, it would also be extremely helpful if anyone has a small amount of room in a garage or similar in which a few items (packed into a couple of boxes) could be safely stored. Transport can be arranged! *Please contact Peter and Ann Tattersall (01531 632021)*

Easter Lilies. The Flower Guild will be arranging lilies for Easter in Church. If you would like to donate a lily in memory of someone departed, please complete one of the Easter Lilies forms at the back of the church **by Friday^{3rd} April**. Cost is £3 a lily and a list of all those being remembered will be placed on the memorial table in St Anne's Chapel. For further information, contact Judy Street 01531-635404

March Magazine is now available at the back of Church. Please help yourselves to a copy. If you feel moved to distribute the magazine to friends/ neighbours around the town, please let Helen l'Anson know where. It would be really helpful to know where the magazine is being distributed.

At the end of the morning service Philip will play the overture Egmont by Beethoven.

After evening communion Philip will play a march from Egmont by Beethoven.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 10th March – Mtwara Lent Lunch from 12noon to 2pm at the home of Mrs Cherry Bentley-Taylor, Mainwarings, Much Marcle. Telephone 660261

Wednesday 11th March - Coffee Morning at S^t Katherine's Hall from 9.30am to 1.00pm. Everyone is very welcome. The Chapel will be open for prayers.

Friday 13th March - 'The 'Eastnor Church Discovery Trail' has its launch at 2.30pm in the church with members of the school and school parents, the fund raising team and hopefully, the press present. Refreshments will be available. Come along & try it out.

Friday 13th March – The story of Lancing College Chapel at 7pm in the Master's House. Lancing Chapel is comparable to the great French Gothic Cathedrals and contains the biggest Rose Window in the UK. This illustrated talk, given by Ian Beer, CBE who was Head Master there from 1969 to 1981, will span the period 1868, when the Foundation Stone was laid, to 2020 when the Chapel will finally be completed. Tickets £6 are available from the Library.

Monday 16th March at 12noon – Organ Recital by Robert Milan.

Tuesday 17th March from 10.00am. Contemplative Prayer. Sessions take place in St. Katherine's Chapel on the **first and third Tuesday of each month.**

Friday 20th March – Mtwara Lent Lunch from 12noon to 2pm at the home of Graham and Anne Blandford, New House Farm, Putley. Telephone 670274

Wednesday 25th March Coffee Morning at S^t Katherine's Hall from 9.30am to 1.00pm. Everyone is very welcome. The Chapel will be open for prayers.

Thursday 26th March – Mtwara Deanery Lent Lunch at S^t Katherine's Hall from 12noon to 2pm. For more details please contact Ann Tombs. Telephone 632668.

Saturday 28th March - Men's Breakfast. 9.15am for 9.30am at the Seven Stars restaurant on the Homend. Cost £8. The speaker will be from the Hereford branch of Gideons who place bibles in schools, hospitals etc. Please sign if you hope to come so that we can give some idea of how many to cater for. Thank you

Saturday 28th March from 10.30am to 1.30pm Seed Swap & Plant Sale in the Chapter House. Do you: Order too many seeds/always have seeds left over/collect your own seeds/grow too many seedlings/like trying new varieties on the cheap? How about bringing your spare seeds and seedlings and enjoying some chat and refreshments as well as picking up some bargains. Refreshments available to purchase (tea, coffee and cake or home-made soup and bread). Also produce if available. Further information from Mary Anne Keyes 01531 579021 or 07962 323454. Please tell your friends

Sunday 29th 2am Clocks go forward an hour!

Friday 3rd April 10am - 12noon: Coffee Stop in the Chapter House. Please drop in. It would be good to see you.

Friday 3rd April – Mtwara Lent Lunch from 12noon to 2pm at the home of Mrs Freda Helme. 1 The Ryders. Church Road, Ashperton. Telephone 670586