



**THE PARISHES OF
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR**

*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*



**Sunday 30th August 2020
Trinity XII**

At 10am on Sunday morning
there will be a service on our website
www.ledburyparishchurch.org.uk
so we can continue to worship God,
we read scripture, praise and pray together.

Do encourage and invite people to join in

We can take part where we are.
We can join together at one time,
We can also gather
in S. Michael's church building
though in smaller numbers than pre-covid,
as we seek to care for one another
by observing social distancing and hygiene guidance

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our website www.ledburyparishchurch.org.uk,
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for updates and information
and encourage others to do so too.

NEXT SUNDAY 6th September is Trinity XIII

Readings for 30th August 2020: Trinity XII

Old Testament Reading:

Exodus 3:1 – 15

1 Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. 2 And the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. 3 And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." 4 When the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am."

5 Then He said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." 6 And He said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

7 Then the LORD said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings 8 and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites and the Jebusites.

9 And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. 10 Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt."

11 But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" 12 He said, "But I will be with you and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

13 Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you' and they ask me, 'What is His name?' what shall I say to them?"

14 God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And He said, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" 15 God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name for ever and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

New Testament Reading:

Romans 12: 9 – 21

9 Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. 10 Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honour. 11 Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. 12 Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

13 Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. 14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. 15 Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. 16 Live in harmony with one another.

Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. 17 Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honourable in the sight of all. 18 If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

19 Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord."

20 To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head."

21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 16: 21 – 28

21 From that time Jesus began to show His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes and be killed and on the third day be raised. 22 And Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, "Far be it from You, Lord! This shall never happen to You."

23 But He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

24 Then Jesus told His disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. 25 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. 26 For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul?"

27 For the Son of Man is going to come with His angels in the glory of his Father and then He will repay each person according to what he has done.

28 Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom."

COLLECT

God of constant mercy, You sent Your Son to save us and set us free: remind us of Your goodness, increase Your grace within us, so that our faith in Christ and thankfulness to You will grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of all mercy, in this eucharist You have set aside our sins and given us Your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We pray for: Our link CMS mission partners, our Leprosy Mission partners & S' Michael and All Angels, Mtwarra and S' John the Baptist Church, Likonde.

We pray for those who are sick:

Phyl Sykes	Steve Taylor	Dean Jackson	Mike Wakeford
Barbara Williams	Sheila Anthony	Kate Greenall	Miles Oliver
Don Rule	Frances Holloway	Barbara Morris	Doulla Pittarides
Pam Robinson	Chris Nicholson	Robert Walters	Phyllis Brothers

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

Florence 'Peg' Bowkett	Freda Rawle	Christopher Davies	Peter Hammersley
Vera Smith	Kathleen Moore	Ralph Rich	Jenifer Pierotti
Maise Cadler	Audrey Edge		

NOTICES

Please note: The church office is currently open on Wednesdays and Thursdays only.

The current Church of England guidance is that congregations are to wear face coverings in church.

S. Michael's church restarted Church services from Sunday 12th July.

We're looking to keep numbers to 40-50 (counting households as 1) and are keeping this under review. The church has been set up to help us maintain appropriate social distancing. Please fill in from the front rather than the back.

We will continue to provide online services and the service in church will be a 'live' version of the online service, so we all continue to worship together.

S. John's Eastnor restarted 11:15am services from 26th July.

Services will be on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Alternate pews are closed, to aid distancing. There will not be refreshments after the service. We shall see how the first few services work and review afterwards.

Today, 30th August, is Philip Holland's final service with us as our music director.

We shall be saying farewell at the end of the 10am service with much thanks and appreciation for all he's done and all he's contributed to the life of our church.

Next Sunday, 6th September is Kate Cheetham's first as our music director. We look forward to this exciting new chapter for her and for us.

CMS Coffee Morning: sadly due to current restrictions, we have decided to postpone this until next Spring.

Young Church remains suspended.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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