



THE PARISHES OF
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR

*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*



Sunday 15th August 2021
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

At 8am on Sunday
there will be a BCP Communion service
in our church building

At 10am on Sunday
there will be a Communion service in our church building
streamed live on our website
www.ledburyparishchurch.org.uk
so we can continue to worship God,
reading scripture, praising and praying together.

Do encourage and invite people to join in
in person and online.

Please visit
our website www.ledburyparishchurch.org.uk,
facebook page fb.me/stmichaelsledbury
and twitter feed @LedburyParish
for updates and information
and encourage others to do so too.

NEXT SUNDAY 22nd August 2021
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

LEAF - Locally Encouraging All to Flourish

**FREE FAMILY
FUN DAY**
Saturday 21st August

12.30 til 4.30pm

at St Michael's Church
Games & Sports Treasure Hunt
Arts & Crafts Nature Play

Bring a picnic BBQ

Loads of Fun!
ALL WELCOME!



All children must be accompanied
by a responsible adult.

Organised by all the Ledbury Churches

More information email makeyes25@hotmail.com

Readings for 15th August 2021: *Mary, Mother of Jesus (Blessed virgin Mary)*

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 61: 10 – 11

¹⁰ I will greatly rejoice in the LORD; my soul shall exult in my God,

for He has clothed me with the garments of salvation;

He has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

¹¹ For as the earth brings forth its sprouts and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to sprout up before all the nations.

New Testament Reading: Galatians 4: 4 – 7

⁴ When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶ And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷ So you are no longer a slave, but a son and if a son, then an heir through God.

Gospel Reading: Luke 1: 46 – 55

⁴⁶ Mary said,

"My soul magnifies the Lord ⁴⁷ and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,

⁴⁸ for He has looked on the humble estate of His servant.

For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed;

⁴⁹ for He who is mighty has done great things for me and holy is His name.

⁵⁰ And His mercy is for those who fear Him from generation to generation.

⁵¹ He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts;

⁵² He has brought down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of humble estate;

⁵³ He has filled the hungry with good things and the rich he has sent away empty.

⁵⁴ He has helped His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy,

⁵⁵ as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his offspring for ever."

COLLECT

Almighty God, who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed virgin Mary and chose her to be the mother of Your Son: grant that we who are redeemed by His blood may share with her in the glory of Your eternal kingdom; 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

God most high, whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh: we thank You that in this sacrament of our redemption You visit us with Your Holy Spirit and overshadow us by Your power; strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience and so bring forth the fruits of holiness through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

We pray for those who are sick:

Michael Jarrett	Frances Holloway	Dean Jackson	Mike Wakeford
Pam Robinson	Chris Nicholson	Robert Walters	Miles Oliver
Kate Greenall	Thomas Heffner	Richard Tyrrell	Harry Hemming
Elizabeth Crossley	Sheila Anthony	Mike Bainton	

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

Ann Gladwin	Eileen Sandford	Nellie James	Ann Drew
Ursula Orrett	Dick Taylor		

NOTICES

We continue to have four rows of pews at the back set out for those who need or wish to keep social distancing.

We will continue to offer hand sanitiser and plan to be supportive of those who continue to need to take covid-care.

A part of our covid-care for one another, we shall continue to have paper and book free services, with the liturgy projected, as has been our practice throughout covid-times.

Congregational singing is allowed, so do sing if you wish.

Forthcoming weddings:

Saturday 21st August 1pm at Eastnor: Christopher Platt and Jenny Borthorpe-Booth

Saturday 28th August 1.30pm at Eastnor: James Tookey and Georgia Potter

Thursday 7am and midday prayers will be in person, in church.

Congregations are allowed to sing again!

I am planning to start a community choir to help lead the singing at the St. Michael's 10am service on the first Sunday of every month and hope you might be interested in coming to sing. It would involve a 9.15am rehearsal in the church, no sight reading ability necessary - although great if you can! - just an ear for a tune and a love of making music with others.

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Following the very successful family activity day on 24th July (thank you to the many who supported it) **LEAF are holding another similar event on 21st August in and around St Michael's. Starting at 12.30** (bring a picnic lunch) and ending around 4.30 there will be crafts, nature play, games and treasure hunts suitable for families with primary aged children, and a free BBQ tea. Volunteers are needed to help with all activities and also with providing cakes. If you can help, or for more details, please contact Mary Anne Keyes on makesyes25@hotmail.com or 07962 323 454.

Our heartfelt thanks to all who have continued their contributions to the church through the PGS, Standing Orders, Envelopes etc. you have really enabled us to survive the pandemic. Along with many others, our reserves are severely depleted and anything you can do to help restoring them will be much appreciated.

The envelopes scheme is running again. For those who use them, envelopes are on the table by the pigeon holes at the back of the church. Some donors may find that their number has changed because so many people have joined the Parish Giving Scheme; If you would consider changing, please have a word with me and I will let you have details of how to give through the PGS.

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Please visit our website www.ledburyparishchurch.org.uk

Facebook – The church's facebook page: fb.me/stmichaelsledbury –

Do have a look, like, follow and participate.

Twitter – Do sign-up to S. Michael's twitter account: [@LedburyParish](https://twitter.com/LedburyParish)