



THE PARISHES OF
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR

*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*



SUNDAY 19th SEPTEMBER 2021
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

At 8.00am on Sunday
there will be a **BCP Communion service**
in our church building

At 10am on Sunday
there will be a **Parish 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.

At 6.30pm – Choral Evensong

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

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our website www.ledburyparishchurch.org.uk,
facebook page [fb.me/stmichaelsledbury](https://www.facebook.com/stmichaelsledbury)
and twitter feed [@LedburyParish](https://twitter.com/LedburyParish)
for updates and information
and encourage others to do so too.

NEXT SUNDAY 26th SEPTEMBER
PATRONAL FESTIVAL

Readings for 19th September 2021:

Trinity 16

Old Testament Reading:

Psalm 1

¹Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
²but his delight is in the law of the LORD and on His law he meditates day and night.
³He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season
and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.
⁴The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
⁵Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgement, nor sinners in the congregation
of the righteous; ⁶for the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked
will perish.

New Testament Reading:

James 3: 13 – 4: 10

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works
in the meekness of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition
in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. ¹⁵This is not the wisdom that comes
down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic.
¹⁶For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile
practice. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle,
open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. ¹⁸And a harvest
of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.
⁴¹What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions
are at war within you? ²You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot
obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do
not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.
⁴You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world
is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself
an enemy of God.
⁵Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over
the spirit that He has made to dwell in us”? ⁶But He gives more grace. Therefore it says,
“God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.”
⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.
⁸Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners
and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹Be wretched and mourn and weep.
Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom.
¹⁰Humble yourselves before the Lord and He will exalt you.

Gospel Reading:

Mark 9: 30 – 37

³⁰They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to
know, ³¹for He was teaching His disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is going to be
delivered into the hands of men and they will kill Him. And when He is killed,
after three days He will rise.”
³²But they did not understand the saying and were afraid to ask Him.
³³They came to Capernaum and when He was in the house He asked them,
“What were you discussing on the way?” ³⁴But they kept silent, for on the way they
had argued with one another about who was the greatest.

³⁵And He sat down and called the twelve and said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶And He took a child and put him in the midst of them and taking him in his arms, He said to them,
³⁷"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me and whoever receives me, receives not me but Him who sent me."

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 25th September at 2.00pm at Ledbury: Alistair Worsley and Sarah Kyle

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

Congregations are singing 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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Church Office will be closed next Tuesday 21st September. The office will be open on Wednesday and Thursday morning. If you need to speak to someone urgently, please ring either of the Churchwardens. David Houghton, Churchwarden on 01531 890696 or Julian l'Anson on 01531 634543.

Monday Fellowship, which had been meeting monthly at the Baptist Church, restarted after the long Covid break, on August 16th. Monday Fellowship has now moved to the more centrally placed, Methodist Church building, in Bye Street. The meetings are a time when we can have an hour of fellowship with one another and with the Lord, and we look at current issues affecting our lives and those of others around the world. We have members from all the churches in Ledbury and our next meeting is **tomorrow** at 3pm. A warm welcome to all.

COLLECT

Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to Your wonders, that we may serve You with reverence and know Your peace at our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty God, you have taught us through Your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love You with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; 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	
John Crossley	David Kirkham		

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	Lillian Smith	Jean Barber

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