



THE PARISHES OF
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR



*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*

SUNDAY 6th MARCH 2022
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

At 8:00am

**we shall have a BCP Communion service
in our church building**

At 10:00am

**we shall have a Holy Communion Service
in our church building**

and streamed live on our website

www.ledburyparishchurch.org.uk

then available later on video

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

NEXT SUNDAY 13th MARCH 2022
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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The Church Office is open on Tuesday, Wednesday 9am to 4pm
and Thursday 9am to 1pm.

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)

Readings for 6th March 2022:

Lent 1

First Reading:

Deuteronomy 26: 1 – 11

¹“When you come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you for an inheritance and have taken possession of it and live in it, ²you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that the LORD your God is giving you and you shall put it in a basket and you shall go to the place that the LORD your God will choose, to make His name to dwell there. ³And you shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, ‘I declare today to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our fathers to give us.’ ⁴Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the LORD your God.

⁵“And you shall make response before the LORD your God, ‘A wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. ⁶And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labour. ⁷Then we cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers and the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil and our oppression. ⁸And the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders. ⁹And He brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which You, O LORD, have given me.’

And you shall set it down before the LORD your God and worship before the LORD your God. ¹¹And you shall rejoice in all the good that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house, you and the Levite and the sojourner who is among you.

Second Reading:

Romans 10: 8 – 15

⁸“The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in Him will not be put to shame.” ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing His riches on all who call on Him. ¹³For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” ¹⁴How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in Him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? ¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!”

Gospel Reading:

Luke 4: 1 – 13

¹Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness ²for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And He ate nothing during those days. When they were over, He was hungry. ³The devil said to Him, “If You are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread.” ⁴And Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone.’”

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⁵And the devil took Him up and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time ⁶and said to him, “To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me and I give it to whom I will. ⁷If You, then, will worship me, it will all be Yours.”

⁸And Jesus answered him, “It is written,

“You shall worship the Lord your God and Him only shall you serve.”

⁹And he took Him to Jerusalem and set Him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here,

¹⁰for it is written, “He will command His angels concerning You, to guard You’,

¹¹and “On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.”

¹²And Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

¹³And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from Him until an opportune time.

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Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to Your Spirit; and, as You know our weakness, so may we know Your power to save; 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

Lord God, You have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it You nourish our faith, increase our hope and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for Him who is the true and living bread and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of Your mouth; 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	Julia Matthews
Elizabeth Crossley	Sheila Anthony	Mike Bainton	Marilyn Sherlock
John Crossley	Jacqui Byron	Kevin Whittal	Mark Ashby

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

Alfred Morris	Josie Peace	Margaret Allen	Maureen Browning
Anthony Baker	Elizabeth Mills	Andy Ward	John Grove
'Ben'			

We no longer *have* to wear masks, but feel free to do so if you wish.

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

We recommend using hand sanitiser on arrival in church and are supportive of those who continue needing to be covid-careful. As part of our covid-care for one another, we continue to have paper and book free services, with the liturgy projected and we shall administer communion in two kinds by intinction, as has been our practice throughout covid-times. Congregational singing is encouraged.

Parking.

Please may I ask church users to be mindful, when parking, of the needs of those less able to have parking availability, or drop-off ability, close to the building. If possible, please consider parking at St Katherine's car park and take the short walk to St Michael & All Angels. Please will those parking at the church ensure they do not block access to the gates of Bank House, or park on the grass or grass verges of the churchyard. Thank you.
David Houghton - Churchwarden.

Church Treasurer: Cath Beech comes to the end of her term as church treasurer at this year's APCM (which will be on Wednesday 6 April at 7pm). With thanks for all she's done, we now need to find another person to take on this important role. Please pray and think about who – maybe you – might do this.

Church Diary: There is a paper diary in church for checking our activities and availability of spaces. You can book a space for a church activity, or for appropriate community use, but this must be done and confirmed through the church office to avoid clashes. Please be aware that on rare occasions some activities, such as funerals, may have to take precedence over an accepted booking. It is therefore essential that the office has a record of who to contact for any booking. Thank you.

Thursday 7am and midday prayers in church.

Friday 10.30am Holy Communion at S^t Katherine's Chapel.

TODAY – Quiz at The Oak, Staplow at 7.00pm. Teams of between 2-6 required. Cost £5 per head, to include food at half time. The Oak have nominated S^t Michael's as their charity for this event. Further details from Kate Cheetham.

Thursday 10th March 7:00pm Bishop Richard will be leading a Deanery Communion Service, followed by refreshments and then a question and answer – discussion time. All welcome.

Sunday 13th March 5:30pm Baptism and Confirmation Service with Bishop Richard. Do come and support our church family.

Friday 25th March – Deanery Mtwara Lent Lunch from 12noon to 2pm at S^t Katherine's Hall. Proceeds to Mtwara fund.

Wednesday 30th March – Mtwara Lent Lunch from 12noon to 2pm at the home of Ian and Jan James, 39 Browning Road, Ledbury.

Experience Easter is an interactive way to explore the Easter Narrative which many of you will remember from pre-Covid times. The Easter Story is told at stations placed around the church. We will be setting it up for visits from the two primary schools during the last week of term before Easter (**4th-8th April**). We need people to help setting up and to introduce the stations to groups of children. Everything will stay in place until after Easter and we hope it will also be visited by the town. We will be serving teas and coffees and cake on some days. So help with stewarding and refreshments is needed too. Please speak to Heather Lucas or Mary Anne Keyes for more information.

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Monday 4th April 6:15pm Eastnor Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM).
In S. John's church.

Wednesday 6th April 7:00pm Ledbury Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM).
In S. Michael's church.

Sunday 10th April, Palm Sunday 6:00pm Olivet To Calvary by Maunder. The choir will sing this cantata in church.

Thursday 14th April, Maundy Thursday 7:30pm Holy Communion and Watch

Friday 15th April, Good Friday, 2:00pm Hour At The Cross Taizé




The Methodist Church
Ledbury Methodists

A live Lent Course for Ledbury based on the brilliant film—*"Mary Poppins Returns"*

Friday nights during Lent—All are welcome

11th, 18th, 25th March, 1st, 8th April 7pm to 9pm

(Tea, Coffee & Biscuits available at start.)

All are Welcome—at Ledbury Methodist Church.

The full film (in Dolby 5.1 Stereo) will be shown:

3pm Saturday 26th February

3pm Monday 7th March

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