



**THE PARISHES OF
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR**



*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*

**SUNDAY 17th APRIL 2022
EASTER SUNDAY**

At 8:00am

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

At 10:00am

**we shall have an Easter Celebration Communion
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.**

At 5.30pm

Evening Service (said Evening Prayer)

**NEXT SUNDAY 24th APRIL 2022
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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The Church Office will be open on Tuesday and 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

Readings for 17th April 2022: *Easter Sunday.*

Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 65: 17 – 25

¹⁷“Behold! I create new heavens and a new earth

and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind.

¹⁸But be glad and rejoice for ever in that which I create;

for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy and her people to be a gladness.

¹⁹I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people;

no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress.

²⁰No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.

²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

²²They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. ²³They shall not labour in vain or bear children for calamity,

for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD and their descendants with them.

²⁴Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear.

²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall graze together;

the lion shall eat straw like the ox and dust shall be the serpent’s food.

They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain,” says the LORD.

Gospel Reading:

John 20: 1 – 18

¹Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb and we do not know where they have laid Him.”

³So Peter went out with the other disciple and going towards the tomb, ⁴both were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first.

⁵And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in.

⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him and went into the tomb.

He saw the linen cloths lying there ⁷and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself.

⁸Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that He must rise from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples went back to their homes.

¹¹But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. ¹²And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. ¹³They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?”

She said to them,

“They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him.”

¹⁴Having said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus.

¹⁵Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?”

Supposing Him to be the gardener, she said to Him, “Sir, if you have carried Him away, tell me where you have laid Him and I will take Him away.”

¹⁶Jesus said to her, “Mary.”

She turned and said to Him in Hebrew “Rabboni!” (which means Teacher).

¹⁷Jesus said to her, “Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them,

‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’”

¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples,

“I have seen the Lord”— and that He had said these things to her.

New Testament Reading: Acts 10: 1 & 33 – 43

¹At Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion of what was known as the Italian Cohort, ²a devout man who feared God with all his household

³³[who said to Peter]: We are all here in the presence of God to hear all that you have been commanded by the Lord.”

³⁴So Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality,

³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears Him and does what is right is acceptable to Him. ³⁶As

for the word that He sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (He is Lord of all), ³⁷you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸how God anointed

Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power.

He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him. ³⁹And we are witnesses of all that He did both in the country of the Jews and

in Jerusalem.

They put Him to death by hanging Him on a tree, ⁴⁰but God raised Him on the third day and caused Him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as

witnesses, who ate and drank with Him after He rose from the dead.

⁴²And He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that He is The One appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead.

⁴³To Him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins through His name.”

COLLECT

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of Your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in Him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to You in Jesus Christ, may reign with Him in glory; to whom with You and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of Life, who for our redemption gave Jesus, Your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross and by His glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy. Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with Him in the joy of His risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We pray for: Our link CMS mission partners, our Leprosy Mission partners & St Michael and All Angels, Mtwara and St 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 Whittall	Mark Ashby
Ann Blandford	Revd David Price		

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

Anthony Baker	Elizabeth Mills	Andy Ward	John Grove
‘Ben’	Maureen Sayce	Anne McDonald	Eileen Lane
Lee Mallinson	Roma Runley		

NOTICES

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.

Ukraine: We have registered as a church with Sanctuary Foundation. We are also registered through LEAF with the diocesan process. We will be called upon in phase two of the government's plans. Phase two is being developed and will be released as soon as practical. A church wide email update was sent out last Sunday.

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.

Mtwara: The two Lent Lunches held this year were a great success. The committee thank those who attended for their support for this worthwhile mission which provides food and education for the kindergarten children at the school in Mtwara. Thank you also to Ian and Jan James for opening their home for a lent lunch.

The Flower Guild. At a recent meeting of the Flower Guild we sadly had to accept another member's resignation due to health problems. This of course puts pressure on the remaining members to cover and sustain the weekly 'welcome' arrangement at the North door. As a group we feel the importance of continuing to provide arrangements week by week and also more arrangements at Festival times. If you could offer your support in joining The Guild, you would be warmly welcomed. We are also looking for a new Chairman who need not necessarily be a flower arranger but someone with good organisational skills and experience in managing meetings. Can you help and if so please contact Chris Lynch. or Val Tatham. Thank you

Experience Easter. Last week we welcomed over 150 children, plus teachers, from Eastnor and Ledbury Primary Schools to hear the Easter Story and engage in an activity part of the story. Many thought provoking questions were asked as they were told about Jesus's last week on earth. Many thanks to everyone who took part. Experience Easter will remain in St Michael's until 20th April. Do follow the story at each station, it's not just for children.

Thursday 7am and midday prayers in church.

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

Saturday 23rd April 7pm The Voice and The Violin. A concert in aid of St Michael's Hospice.

Friday 6th May - 'COFFEE STOP' will take place in the Chapter House between 10am - 12noon. **Come and meet friends, have company and enjoy Coffee, Cake and Chat.**

"Digging Deeper: Exploring the Bible" Online Study Course

Local Reader, Michael Llywelyn-Jones, is going to repeat his highly successful "Digging Deeper: Exploring the Bible" online study course, starting in week commencing 18 April 2022. Each session will be delivered via zoom, from 7.30pm to 9.00pm, on a weekday evening.

Michael wrote the course material and delivered the course via zoom, to interested members of the Hop Churches, during 2021. For 2022, the course is being publicised throughout the Ledbury Deanery; it has also recently been endorsed by the Bishop of Hereford and will soon be publicised in the weekly Diocesan email.

If you are interested in participating, or just in finding out more, please email Michael direct at mikellywelynjones@hotmail.co.uk.

The Voice & The Violin

St Michael and All Angels, Ledbury

Saturday 23rd April 2022, 7pm

By kind permission of the Rector



Rachel Roper, Mezzo-Soprano
Hannah Roper, Violin
Martin Jacoby, Piano



featuring

Vaughan-Williams

The Lark Ascending

and music by Rebecca Clarke, Rimsky-Korsakov,
Schumann, Britten and Dvorak



Tickets £18

under 16s £10

(including wine and canapes)

On the door or at

www.ticketsource.co.uk/hannah-roper-violin

All proceeds to St Michael's Hospice
in memory of William Christopher King

Christian Celtic Music

Concert in aid of LEAF
with Rev Kevin Cecil
& Friends

An evening of Christian Celtic Music,
interlaced with stories from members
of the LEAF team about the nature
of their work in Ledbury

Saturday 14th May 7pm
St Michael's Church, Ledbury

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