

THE PARISHES OF LEDBURY AND EASTNOR

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Worshipping God, Following Jesus, Sharing His Love

SUNDAY 24th APRIL 2022 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

At 8:00am

we shall have a BCP Communion Service in our church building

At 10:00am

we shall have a Parish 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 1st MAY 2022 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Church office: phone number: 01531 631 531. Email: ledbury.ministry@talktalk.net

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 24th April 2022: Second Sunday of Easter

First Reading:

Psalm 150

Praise the LORD!

Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty heavens!

- ² Praise Him for His mighty deeds; praise Him according to His excellent greatness!
- ³ Praise Him with trumpet sound; praise Him with lute and harp!
- ⁴Praise Him with tambourine and dance; praise Him with strings and pipe!
- ⁵ Praise Him with sounding cymbals; praise Him with loud clashing cymbals!

Second Reading: Revelation 1: 4-8

⁴Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is to come and from the seven spirits who are before His throne ⁵and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead and the ruler of kings on earth.

To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood ⁶and made us a kingdom, priests to His God and Father; to Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

⁷Behold! He is coming with the clouds and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of Him. Even so. Amen.

8"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God,

Gospel Reading: John 20: 19 – 31

¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."

²⁰When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side.

Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²²And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them,

"Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld."

²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the mark of the nails and place my finger into the mark of the nails and place my hand into His side, I will never believe."

²⁶Eight days later, [Jesus'] disciples were inside again and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands; and put out your hand and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God and that by believing you may have life in His name.

⁶ Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!

[&]quot;who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

COLLECT

Almighty Father, who in Your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of His presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by His risen life and serve You continually in righteousness and truth; 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

Living God, Your Son made Himself known to His disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see Him in all His redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **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 Chris Nicholson Miles Oliver Pam Robinson **Robert Walters** Kate Greenall Thomas Heffner Richard Tyrrell Julia Matthews Elizabeth Crossley Sheila Anthony Mike Bainton Marilyn Sherlock John Crossley Jacqui Byron Kevin Whittal 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.

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

Thursday 7am and midday prayers in church.

Friday 10.30am Holy Communion at St Katherine's Chapel.

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.

Walking with Angels and Dogs

Our April walk will be going to Haugh Wood. Why not join us? We will meet at St Michaels' at 10am on Friday 29th April 2022.

We will use car transport to get to the Haugh Wood picnic site You, and your dog (if you have one), will be welcome to join in the fun.

For more information, please either speak to Ian Stainburn (01531 636383) or David Houghton (01531 890696)

Christian Celtic Music

Concert in aid of LEAT

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

Find out more about Kevin and his music on www.revkvc.com

Donations for LEAF can be made on the night or by donating online on the LEAF website www.leafledbury.com

