



**THE PARISHES OF
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR**



*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*

**SUNDAY 1st May 2022
THIRD 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 8th MAY 2022
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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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](https://twitter.com/LedburyParish)

Readings for 1st May 2022:

Third Sunday of Easter

First Reading:

Zephaniah 3: 14 – 20

Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel!

Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem!

¹⁵ The LORD has taken away the judgements against you;

He has cleared away your enemies. The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst;
you shall never again fear evil.

¹⁶ On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:

“Fear not, O Zion; let not your hands grow weak.

¹⁷ The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save;

He will rejoice over you with gladness; He will quiet you by His love;

He will exult over you with loud singing.

¹⁸ I will gather those of you who mourn for the festival,

so that you will no longer suffer reproach.

¹⁹ Behold, at that time I will deal with all your oppressors.

And I will save the lame and gather the outcast and I will change their shame
into praise and renown in all the earth.

²⁰ At that time I will bring you in, at the time when I gather you together;

for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth,
when I restore your fortunes before your eyes,” says the LORD.

Second Reading:

Acts 9: 1 – 19

¹ Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to
the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that
if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound
to Jerusalem.

³ Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus and suddenly a light from heaven
flashed around him. ⁴ And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him,
“Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?” ⁵ And he said, “Who are you, Lord?”
And He said, “I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶ But rise and enter the city
and you will be told what you are to do.”

⁷ The men who were travelling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing
no one. ⁸ Saul rose from the ground and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing.
So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹ And for three days
he was without sight and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰ Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias.

The Lord said to him in a vision, “Ananias.” And he said, “Here I am, Lord.”

¹¹ And the Lord said to him, “Rise and go to the street called Straight and at the house
of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying ¹²and he has seen
in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his
sight.”

¹³ But Ananias answered, “Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil
he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. ¹⁴ And here he has authority from the chief priests
to bind all who call on Your name.”

¹⁵But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. ¹⁶For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name."

¹⁷So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit."

¹⁸And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptised; ¹⁹and taking food, he was strengthened.

Gospel Reading:

John 21: 1 – 19

¹Jesus revealed Himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias and He revealed Himself in this way: ²Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two others of his disciples were together. ³Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered Him, "No." ⁶He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." So they cast it and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish.

⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work and threw himself into the sea. ⁸The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught."

¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn.

¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast."

Now none of the disciples dared ask Him, "Who are You?" They knew it was the Lord.

¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them and so with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after He was raised from the dead.

¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter,

"Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?"

He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs."

¹⁶He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?"

He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep."

¹⁷He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?"

Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to Him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you."

Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep."

¹⁸Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go."

¹⁹(This [Jesus] said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.)

And after saying this He said to him, "Follow me."

COLLECT

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in Him from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where He reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Merciful Father, You gave Your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in His love for us to lay down His life and rise again: keep us always under His protection and give us grace to follow in His steps; 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 Whittall	Mark Ashby
Ann Blandford			

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. Thank you on behalf of the Flower Guild, I am delighted to report that the Easter Lily sponsorship this year was a great success and covered all the flower costs. I do hope you enjoyed our arrangements around the church. Your support is much appreciated.

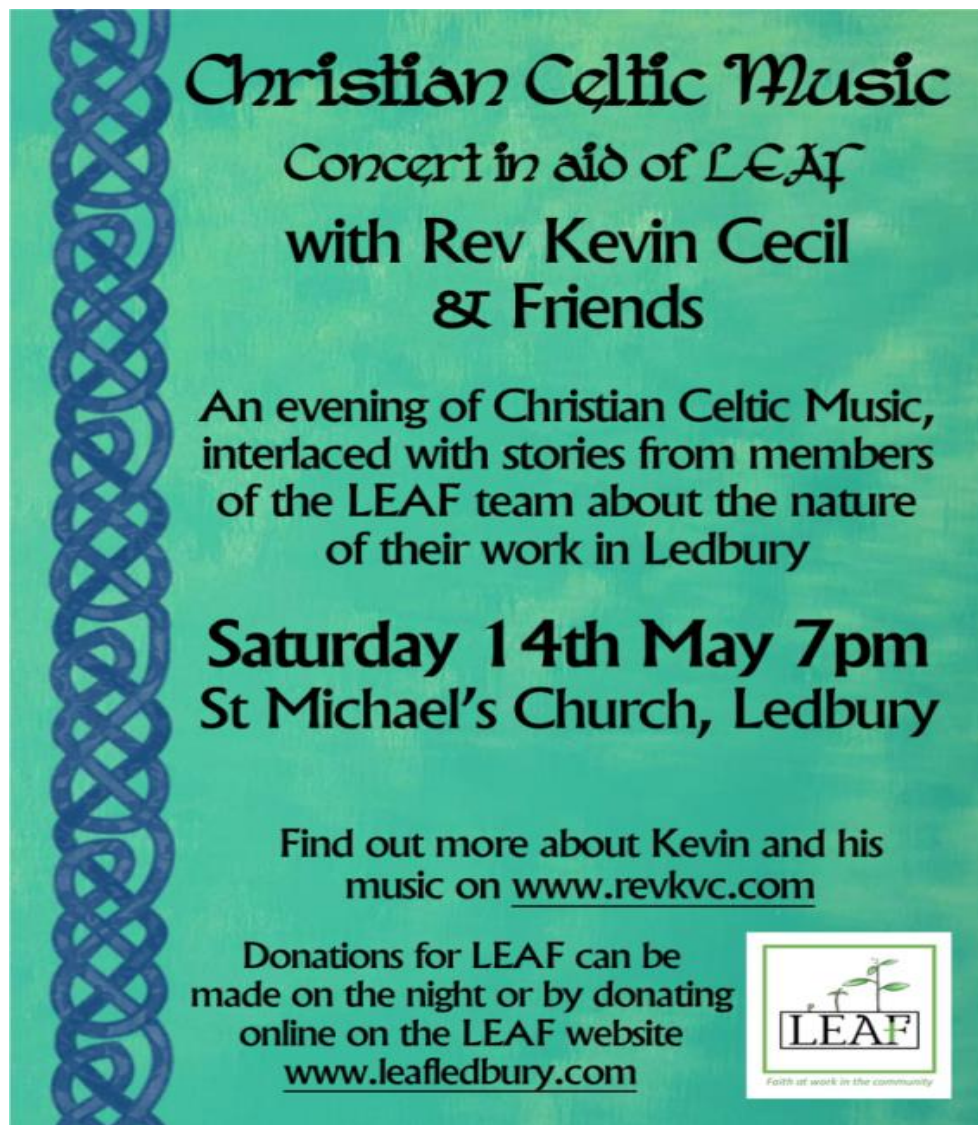
We are still looking to recruit more members to the Guild and lessons can be provided if required. Even if you can offer a few hours at Festival times, it means we can enhance our beautiful church even more. Please contact me on 01531 670037 or email Chris.Lynch54@btinternet.com

Change of address: David and Gwen Kirkham have now moved. Their new address is: Flat 42, Leadon Bank, Orchard Lane, Ledbury. HR8 1BY. Telephone and email address remain the same.

Thursday 7am and midday prayers in church.

Friday 10.30am Holy Communion at S' 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.**




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

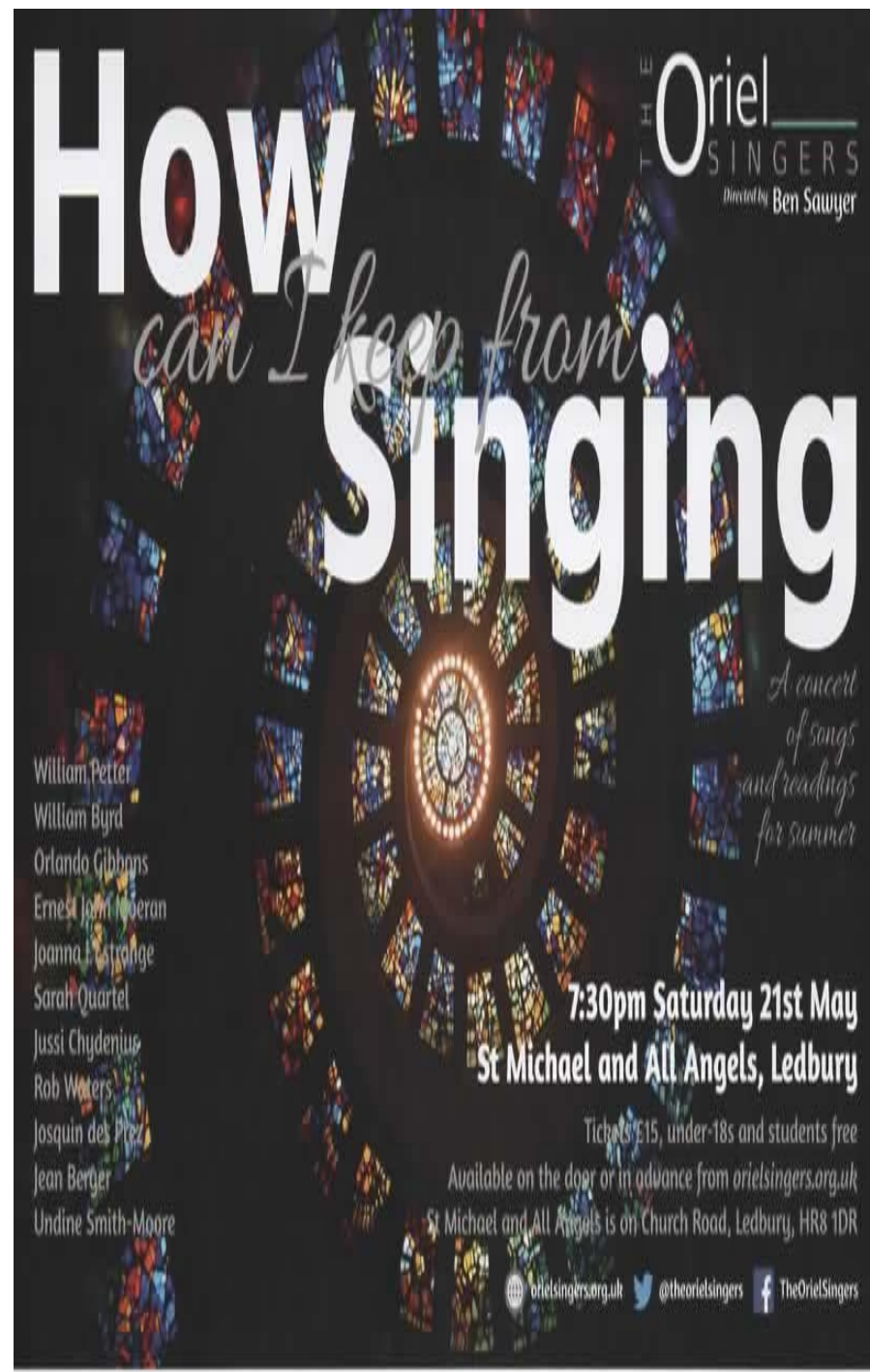
Saturday 14th May 7pm
St Michael's Church, Ledbury

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

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www.leafledbury.com



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7:30pm Saturday 21st May
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