

WHAT'S ON?

In the Parish of Upper Deal & Great Mongeham

St Leonard's St Martin's St Nicholas' St Richard's



The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

1st October 2023

<u>St Leonard's</u>	<u>St Martin's</u>	<u>St Nicholas'</u>	<u>St Richard's</u>
8.00am Holy Communion	11.00am Informal All Age Worship	09.30am Holy Communion	10.30am Holy Communion
10.00am Harvest Celebration Informal All Age Worship	Harvest Celebration	Harvest Celebration	Harvest Celebration

MIDWEEK PARISH COMMUNION Tuesdays, 12 noon, at St Leonard's Church after the Coffee Morning. All welcome.

This week's music...

<p>ST LEONARD'S 106 Come, ye thankful people come 31 Amazing grace 660 The Lord's my shepherd 23 All things bright and beau- tiful (t i)</p>	<p>ST MARTIN'S 144 Come ye thankful people come 197 For the fruits of his creation 260 God whose farm is all creation 753 Think of the world without any flowers 801 We plough the fields, and scat- ter...</p>
<p>ST NICHOLAS' 289 Come, ye thankful people, come 126 The King of love my shepherd is 464 God is here; as we his people 457 For the fruits of his creation</p>	<p>ST RICHARD'S 106 Come you thankful people come 152 For the beauty of the earth 564 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty 732 We plough the fields of scatter</p>

The Collect

Almighty God,
 you have made us for yourself,
 and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:
 pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,
 and so bring us at last to your heavenly city
 where we shall see you face to face;
 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**

PRINCIPAL READINGS: First reading: Deuteronomy 8. 7-18

⁷ For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land—a land with brooks, streams, and deep springs gushing out into the valleys and hills; ⁸ a land with wheat and barley, vines and fig trees, pomegranates, olive oil and honey; ⁹ a land where bread will not be scarce and you will lack nothing; a land where the rocks are iron and you can dig copper out of the hills.

¹⁰ When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the LORD your God for the good land he has given you. ¹¹ Be careful that you do not forget the LORD your God, failing to observe his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day. ¹² Otherwise, when you eat and are satisfied, when you build fine houses and settle down, ¹³ and when your herds and flocks grow large and your silver and gold increase and all you have is multiplied, ¹⁴ then your heart will become proud and you will forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. ¹⁵ He led you through the vast and dreadful wilderness, that thirsty and waterless land, with its venomous snakes and scorpions. He brought you water out of hard rock. ¹⁶ He gave you manna to eat in the wilderness, something your ancestors had never known, to humble and test you so that in the end it might go well with you. ¹⁷ You may say to yourself, "My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me." ¹⁸ But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today.

Psalm 65. 9-13

⁹ You care for the land and water it;
you enrich it abundantly.
The streams of God are filled with water
to provide the people with grain,
for so you have ordained it.
¹⁰ You drench its furrows and level its ridges;
you soften it with showers and bless its crops.
¹¹ You crown the year with your bounty,
and your carts overflow with abundance.
¹² The grasslands of the wilderness overflow;
the hills are clothed with gladness.
¹³ The meadows are covered with flocks
and the valleys are mantled with grain;
they shout for joy and sing.

Second reading: 2 Corinthians 9. 6-15

⁶ Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. ⁷ Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And

God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. ⁹ As it is written:

“They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor;
their righteousness endures forever.”

¹⁰ Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹ You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

¹² This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord’s people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. ¹³ Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. ¹⁴ And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. ¹⁵ Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Gospel: Luke 12. 26-30²⁶ Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest? ²⁷ “Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. ²⁸ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! ²⁹ And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. ³⁰ For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, we pray that your grace
may always precede and follow us,
and make us continually to be given to all good works;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COMMUNITY PRAYERS This week we will be thinking about Harvest and creation. We pray for our local environment and that wise decisions will be made that will affect the future of the local community.

BAPTISMS Please pray for the Dixon family who are preparing for Lee to be baptised this month. Pray for the Godparents, extended families and friends as they prepare for this new step in his Christian life.

INTERCESSIONS Please refer any pastoral concerns for members of the congregation or the local community to any member of the Pastoral and Ministry teams.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED ESPECIALLY FOR: David Marsh, Noel Thompson, the grandson of the Burneys, Joan Finney, Peter Brennon, Ken Kennison, Adrian Morley, Wendy Turner, James Burke & family, Lynda Borley, Lynne Farbrace, Ruth Doughty, Jim & Elizabeth McConnell, Caroline Richards, baby Amelia & her family, Steve Kerly, Steve Milne and Jacob Alger. Also, Father George & all those in Antananarivo, Madagascar.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED including Pam & Colin Adams, Alan Young. Lord, hold them in your arms, bless and care for them. We ask that you also give peace and comfort to their families and friends and keep them in your loving strength as they come to terms with their loss.

SAVE THE DATE

THE 'FAVOURITE HYMN' SERVICE has been postponed until the new year.

COMMUNITY HARVEST SUPPER this Saturday 6pm at St Richard's. Cash donations for Foodbank very welcome please.

ANNUAL ANIMAL SERVICE Sunday 8th October, 4pm at St Nicholas' – Please see attachment on email. Please come along and bring your pets.

DEANERY ROADSHOW at St George's on Wednesday 11th October 7pm. Please join us for some workshops with the Deanery.

CHILDREN'S SERVICE Sunday 15th October, 10.30am, St Richard's, breakfast, activities

CONCERT IN AID OF PARISH FUNDS AND SING FOR WATER Friday 3rd November see attachment on email.

Next Week's Services – 8th October

<u>St Leonard's</u>	<u>St Martin's</u>	<u>St Nicholas'</u>	<u>St Richard's</u>
Sunday	Sunday	Sunday	Sunday
8.00am	11.00am	9.30am	10.30am
Holy Communion	Holy Communion	Informal All age	Next Service
10.00am		Family Service	15th October
Holy Communion		4pm	
		Animal Service	

Tuesday 9.30-9.55 Morning Prayer 12 noon Holy Communion	Wednesday 9.30-9.55 Morning Prayer	Thursday 9.30 -9.55 Morning Prayer	Monday 9.30 -9.55 Morning Prayer
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PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR REGULAR EVENTS

Cafe/Ukraine Hub, St Richard's: Mondays 9.00 – 1pm

Coffee Morning, St Leonard's Centre: Tuesdays 9.30am – 11.30am

Dwelling in the Word Group, The Manions': Alternate Fridays

English for Ukrainians, St Richard's: Weekly, Thurs, not the first. 10-1pm

Friendship lunch, St Richard's, Mthly, first Thurs, 12 noon

Froglets, St Richard's: Term time, weekly, Fridays, 10-12 noon

Knit Knacks, St Leonard's Centre: Mthly, first Tuesday 2-4pm

Memory Support Café, St Richard's: Mthly, second and last Tuesdays 4-6pm

Messy Church St Richard's: Monthly, second Saturday, 4-6pm

Men's Breakfast, Sir Norman Wisdom: Mthly, first Sat., 8.30am

Mother's Union Holy Communion, St Leonard's: Mthly, 1st Thurs, 10am

Mother's Union Meetings St Leonard's Centre, second Tues., 2.30pm

Sunday School, St Martin's: Weekly, 11.00am

UDGM Youth Club (COZ) St Richard's: 2nd and 4th Sundays 3-5pm

UDGM Prayer Group, St Martin's: Monthly, second Saturday, 10.00am

NOTICES

SAFEGUARDING Any safeguarding concerns should be raised immediately with our Safeguarding Officer, Mandy Forrest 01304 372521 or 07999 910197.

NEW REPS NEEDED The Parish is in need of two new reps – one for **Love in a Box** and the other for **Christian Aid**. Love in a Box is re-starting their box collections this year. Christian Aid's rep, Sue Howard Cofield is retiring but is still willing to run a coffee morning fundraiser for them next year. We need a rep to oversee the May campaigns and promotions during the year. If either of these jobs appeal, please speak to Rev Monica or Wendy M. Thanks.

SIDESPERSIONS If anyone who goes to the 8am service at St Leonard's would like to join the Sidesperson's rota, please let Wendy M know.

JANUARY FUNDRAISING CONCERT Towards the end of January 2024, a concert to raise funds for the children's work in the Parish is being planned. If anyone would like to take part or knows of a band or music act who could contribute please contact Tracey Nesbit or Julie Murrow.

RUTH DOUGHTY is back and doing well in Deal at St Winifred's – available for visits. St Winifred's 01304 375758.

UKRAINIAN LANGUAGE LESSONS are back at St Richard's from the 21st September.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES will be beginning late October/November. Please email the office if you are interested.

CHRISTMAS DRESSING UP CLOTHES NEEDED. Please see Julie Chambers if you can help with the following; shepherd costumes, blue scarf for Mary, items for Joseph, innkeepers, kings, donkeys & fairy wings. We would like a box of dressing up clothes for each church for the Christingle services.

WHAT'S ON, COMPASS & CHURCH EMAILS if you would like to receive an online version of this newsletter please contact Wendy at the office on stleonardsoffice@btinternet.com.

COMPASS MAGAZINE Forthcoming magazines are being prepared early due to annual leave, please do not be shy about sending anything suitable for the magazines between now and the Jan/Feb (!) edition as soon as possible! Any dates, events, photos etc for the Nov/Dec, Jan/Feb editions gratefully received as soon as possible.

HELP FOR POLAND/UKRAINE/LOCAL FAMILY SUPPORT Please ask Wendy M for an up-to-date list and current drop off details.

CHURCH BANK DETAILS: If you would like to pay offerings, tithes and pledges electronically, the details you need to know are below. We would also be delighted if you would be happy to complete the Gift Aid forms so that your monetary gifts would benefit from tax relief.

Account Name: *Upper Deal and Gt. Mongeham PCC*

Sort Code: *40-19-10* **Account Number:** *31141228*

(If you would like to give by cheque, please make it payable to Upper Deal & Gt Mongeham PCC)



ANOTHER WAY TO HELP... To help us with our work and the upkeep of our buildings please use this QR code to easily give the amount of your choice. The link is managed by PayPal but you do not need an account of your own. Easy and safe.

CONTACT DETAILS Revd Mthr Monica Cameron 07938 360395
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PASTORAL VISITING TEAM Any pastoral concerns, please contact one of the following; Rev Monica, Rev. Patrick Kavanagh, Rev Peter Hambrook, Rev Deacon Pat Wright, Steve Goodsell

SACRISTANS Carol McCaughan, Julie Chambers, Karen Fairclough, Karen McCarthy, Sue Cooke

Our current passage that we will be thinking about for a while when we 'Dwell in the Word' together as a Parish. Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶ This is what the LORD says—he who made a way through the sea, a path through the mighty waters,

¹⁷ who drew out the chariots and horses, the army and reinforcements together, and they lay there, never to rise again, extinguished, snuffed out like a wick:

¹⁸ “Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past.

¹⁹ See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.

²⁰ The wild animals honour me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen,

²¹ the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise.

