

WHAT'S ON?

In the Parish of Upper Deal & Great Mongeham



29th September 2024 **Michael & All Angels**

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| <u>St Leonard's</u> 8.00am Holy Communion 10.00am No service 4.00pm Pet Service | <u>St Martin's</u> 11.00am No service | <u>St Nicholas'</u> 9.30am No service | <u>St Richard's</u> 10.30am Whole Parish Brunch service with Rev'd Neville Elmslie |
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MIDWEEK PARISH COMMUNION Tuesdays, 12 noon, at St Leonard's Church after the Coffee Morning. All welcome.



St Richard's MP

34 Angel voices ever singing
59 Blessed assurance
266 I cannot tell
518 O praise ye the Lord

This week's music...

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
increase in us your gift of faith
that, forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to that which is before,
we may run the way of your commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
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: Genesis 28. 10-17

¹⁰ Jacob left Beersheba and set out for Harran. ¹¹ When he reached a certain place, he stopped for the night because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones there, he put it under his head and lay down to sleep. ¹² He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³ There above it stood the LORD, and he said: "I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying. ¹⁴ Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east, to the north and to the south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring. ¹⁵ I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you."

¹⁶ When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I was not aware of it." ¹⁷ He was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven."

Psalms 103. 19-end

¹⁹ The LORD has established his throne in heaven,
and his kingdom rules over all.

²⁰ Praise the LORD, you his angels,
you mighty ones who do his bidding,

who obey his word.

²¹ Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts,
you his servants who do his will.

²² Praise the LORD, all his works
everywhere in his dominion.

Praise the LORD, my soul.

Second Reading: Hebrews 1. 5-end

⁵ For to which of the angels did God ever say,

“You are my Son;
today I have become your Father”? Or again,

“I will be his Father,
and he will be my Son”?

⁶ And again, when God brings his firstborn into the world, he says,
“Let all God’s angels worship him.”

⁷ In speaking of the angels he says,

“He makes his angels spirits,
and his servants flames of fire.” ⁸ But about the Son he says,

“Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever;
a sceptre of justice will be the sceptre of your kingdom.

⁹ You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness;
therefore God, your God, has set you above your companions
by anointing you with the oil of joy.” ¹⁰ He also says,

“In the beginning, Lord, you laid the foundations of the earth,
and the heavens are the work of your hands.

¹¹ They will perish, but you remain;
they will all wear out like a garment.

¹² You will roll them up like a robe;
like a garment they will be changed.

But you remain the same,
and your years will never end.”

¹³ To which of the angels did God ever say, “Sit at my right hand
until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet”?

¹⁴ Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will
inherit salvation?

Gospel: John 1. 47-end

⁴⁷ When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, “Here truly is
an Israelite in whom there is no deceit.”

48 “How do you know me?” Nathanael asked. Jesus answered, “I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you.”

49 Then Nathanael declared, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel.”

50 Jesus said, “You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that.” 51 He then added, “Very truly I tell you, you will see ‘heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on’ the Son of Man.”

Post Communion Prayer

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast:
for here we receive you,
here the memory of your passion is renewed,
here our minds are filled with grace,
and here a pledge of future glory is given,
when we shall feast at that table where you reign
with all your saints for ever. **Amen.**

COMMUNITY PRAYERS Please pray for the upcoming Deanery Roadshow led by Bishop Rose this week. We have a number of people attending. Pray there will be a movement of the Spirit as they seek to discern God’s will.

BAPTISMS There is a baptism in October, please pray for Emmie and her family as they prepare for the service and the commitments they will give.

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: Kerry Creasy, Margaret Ablett, Jean Gear, Dave James, Dora Staples, Liz Greenwood, Joan Finney, Baby Amelia, Noel Thompson, Ian Instone & his family, Annette Weaver, Malcolm Sewell, Shirley Atkins, Michael Chambers, Peter Brennon, Adrian Morley, Wendy Turner, Lynne Farbrace, Ruth Doughty, Elizabeth McConnell, Caroline Richards, Steve Kerly, Steve Milne, Jacob Alger. Also, Father George & all those in Antananarivo, Madagascar.

(Please let Wendy in the office know when names may be removed.)

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED: 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!

MEN'S BREAKFAST Sat 5th October 8.30am Sir Norman Wisdom Pub
HARVEST BRING AND SHARE SUPPER Saturday 5th October, 6:30pm at St Richard's. Please invite family and friends. There will be no tickets, instead brown donation envelopes are in churches. All donations received from the Supper will go towards much needed Parish funds. Also at each church, will be a list for food donations for the meal, if you would like to bring a dish please complete the list & add your phone number to it. Christine Taylor is kindly coordinating the meal. Any queries please text her on 07958 583404. There will be entertainment throughout the evening & an 'open mic' section where anyone is welcome to join in with the entertainment. Hope to see you there!

HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE 6TH OCT OFFERINGS Food offerings for the Harvest Services in churches will go to Foodbank (St Nicholas,' Emmaus). Items they are asking for this year are on a list attached to the weekly email.

BUILDING UP THE KINGDOM BIBLE STUDY with Rev Monica on Zoom Mondays 7 to 730pm for a 30 minute session. NEXT MEETING 7TH OCTOBER. John W thoroughly recommends the session, lively, good fun and only 30 mins. Next passage will be 1 Peter Ch. 2.

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/86704679887?pwd=K5N34wwSCQbuFbVaf2GuybdniKZoLy.1> Meeting ID: 867 0467 9887 Passcode: MSW5sd

MEMORY CAFÉ 8th October, 4-6pm at St Richard's, will be a Harvest Sing Along, all welcome to come along, join in and swell the choir. Refreshments available. We are grateful to Maureen Norman who will be accompanying the singing.

QUIZ NIGHT St Leonard's Social Centre Friday 22nd Nov, 7 for 7.30pm. £10 per table of up to 8 people, bring your own drinks and refreshments. To book a table contact Karen McCarthy karenannemccarthy@hotmail.co.uk

REGULAR EVENTS

Book Club: Monthly, check What's On? for details.

Community Café/Ukraine Hub, St Richard's: Mondays 9am – 1pm

Children's Service, St Richard's: 3rd Sunday, 10.30. Check What's On? for details.

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

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

English Lessons for Ukraine, St Richard's: Monthly, 2nd Thursday

Friendship Lunch, St Richard's, Monthly, first Thurs, 12 noon

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

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

Memory Support Café, St Richard's: Monthly, second and last Tuesdays 4-6pm
Men's Breakfast, Sir Norman Wisdom: Monthly, first Sat., 8.30am
Mother's Union Holy Communion, St Leonard's: Monthly, 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, St Richard's: Monthly 2nd Sunday 3-5pm
UDGM Games Hub, St Leonard's Soc. Centre: Monthly, 4th Sunday 3-5pm
UDGM Prayer Group, St Martin's: Monthly, second Saturday, 10.00am

Next Week's Services – 6th October – Harvest Celebrations

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| 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 |

NOTICES

SAFEGUARDING Please raise safeguarding concerns immediately with our Safeguarding Officer, Mandy Forrest 01304 372521 or 07999 910197

BBQ FUNDRAISING Thank you to everyone who contributed in so many ways to the BBQ – a total of £689 was raised towards parish funds.

CORRECTION in the paper copies of the monthly bible readings, the entry for 6th October, the reading from Joel should be Ch 2. 21-27.

CHURCH CLEANING thanks to Janet and team (St L's) and Sue Morgan (St M's), who have been helping clean the two churches while Opal is off with a broken wrist. We'd be grateful for volunteers to help clean St L's, please let Janet know if you can make it on a Thurs or Friday (or Saturday).

PARISH WHATSAPP GROUP There is a Parish WhatsApp group that is very useful for getting information and prayer needs very quickly to members of the parish. If you would like to join, please give Wendy M in the office your mobile number.

PRAYER PARTNERS If anyone is interested in joining with a prayer partner, you are invited to form your own pair or if you would like to be connected with someone, please let Rev Monica know.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES if you are interested in these classes starting in the Autumn, please speak to Rev Monica or email the office.

WHAT'S ON, COMPASS & CHURCH EMAILS if you would like to receive an online version of these newsletters please contact Wendy at the office on stleonardsoffice@btinternet.com. Contributions for **November/December Compass** to same address please.

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. The QR code below is a quick and safe way to donate to parish funds too. Thank you.



Account Name: Upper Deal and Gt. Mongeham PCC
Sort Code: 40-19-10 **Account Number:** 31141228



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Visit our website: <https://upperdealandgtmongehamparish.com>

PASTORAL VISITING TEAM



Any pastoral concerns, please contact one of the following:
Rev Monica; Rev Lynn Overington; Rev. Patrick Kavanagh; Rev.
Peter Hambrook; Rev. Deacon Pat Wright; Steve Goodsell.

SACRISTANS

Carol McCaughan, Julie Chambers, Karen Fairclough,
Karen McCarthy, Sue Cooke. John Wakeman

The passage we will be thinking about for a while when we ‘Dwell in the Word’ together as a Parish. John 1. 1-14

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. **2** He was with God in the beginning. **3** Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. **4** In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. **5** The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. **6** There was a man sent from God whose name was John. **7** He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. **8** He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

9 The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. **10** He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognise him. **11** He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. **12** Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— **13** children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband’s will, but born of God. **14** The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Loving God,

Though our destination is not yet clear, may we trust in Your graceful promises; though we are uncertain of ourselves, may we be rooted in Your loving regard, though our attention is inclined to wander, may we hear the things You are saying; though we often neglect Your influence, may we be convicted of Your power to change,
In Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

