



## WHAT'S ON?

In the Parish of Upper Deal & Great Mongeham

**Fifteenth after Trinity - 28th September 2025**

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<u>St Leonard's</u>	<u>St Martin's</u>	<u>St Nicholas'</u>	<u>St Richard's</u>
<b>8.00am</b> Holy Communion <b>10.00am</b> Whole Parish Service <b>with</b> Holy Communion Opening Service of our <b>Stewardship</b> <b>Campaign</b> with speaker, Rev Lindsay Yates.	<b>11.00am</b> No service	<b>9.30am</b> No service	<b>10.00am</b> No service

**WEEKLY PARISH COMMUNION** Tuesdays, 12 noon, at St Leonard's Church after the Coffee Morning.



### St Leonard's

207 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation  
495 Lord, to you we bring our treasure  
163 Angel voices ever singing  
Anthem: God be in my head – Aston  
275 Wherefore, O Father, we thy humble servants  
422 Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord

**This**  
**week's**  
**music...**

### The Collect

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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: Amos 6. 1, 4-7**

<sup>1</sup> Woe to you who are complacent in Zion, and to you who feel secure on Mount Samaria, you notable men of the foremost nation, to whom the people of Israel come! <sup>4</sup> You lie on beds adorned with ivory and lounge on your couches. You dine on choice lambs and fattened calves. <sup>5</sup> You strum away on your harps like David and improvise on musical instruments. <sup>6</sup> You drink wine by the bowlful and use the finest lotions, but you do not grieve over the ruin of Joseph. <sup>7</sup> Therefore you will be among the first to go into exile; your feasting and lounging will end.

### **Psalms 146. 2-8**

<sup>2</sup> I will praise the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. <sup>3</sup> Do not put your trust in princes, in human beings, who cannot save. <sup>4</sup> When their spirit departs, they return to the ground; on that very day their plans come to nothing.

<sup>5</sup> Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God. <sup>6</sup> He is the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them- he remains faithful forever. <sup>7</sup> He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets prisoners free, <sup>8</sup> the Lord gives sight to the blind, the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down, the Lord loves the righteous.

### **Second reading: 1 Timothy 6. 6-19**

<sup>6</sup> Godliness with contentment is great gain. <sup>7</sup> For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. <sup>8</sup> But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. <sup>9</sup> Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

<sup>11</sup> But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. <sup>12</sup> Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

<sup>13</sup> In the sight of God, who gives life to everything, and of Christ Jesus, who while testifying before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you <sup>14</sup> to keep this command without spot or blame until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup> which God will bring about in his own time-God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, <sup>16</sup> who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honour and might forever.

Amen. <sup>17</sup> Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. <sup>18</sup> Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. <sup>19</sup> In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

### **Gospel: Luke 16. 19-end**

<sup>19</sup> "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. <sup>20</sup> At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores <sup>21</sup> and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores. <sup>22</sup> "The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. <sup>23</sup> In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. <sup>24</sup> So he called to him, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.' <sup>25</sup> "But Abraham replied, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. <sup>26</sup> And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.' <sup>27</sup> "He answered, 'Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my family, <sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.' <sup>29</sup> "Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.' <sup>30</sup> " 'No, father Abraham,' he said, 'but if someone from the dead

goes to them, they will repent.' <sup>31</sup> "He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.' "

### Post Communion Prayer

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**PARISH WEDDINGS & BAPTISMS** We pray God's blessings on all the couples who were married in our parish in September; Stephen & Deon at St Nicholas'. We also pray for Connor, Ellie & Henry who were baptised in early September.

**PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED ESPECIALLY FOR:** Geraldine Carney, Baby Esmae, Tanneke Berwick, Margaret Thurgood, Andrew Russell, Heather Brennon, Barbara Sharman, Jean Gear, Dave James, Liz Greenwood. Joan Finney, Ian Instone & his family, Michael Chambers. Adrian Morley, Wendy Turner, 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.

### **Next Sunday's Services – 5<sup>th</sup> October 2025 - Harvest**

<u>St Leonard's</u>	<u>St Martin's</u>	<u>St Nicholas'</u>	<u>St Richard's</u>
<b>8.00am</b> Holy Communion	<b>11.00am</b> Family Harvest	<b>9.30am</b> Family Harvest	<b>10.30am</b> Family Harvest
<b>10.00am</b> Family Harvest Service <b>without</b> Holy Communion	Service <b>without</b> Holy Communion	Service <b>with</b> Holy Communion & anointing	Service <b>with</b> Holy Communion & anointing
<b>4.00pm</b> Pet Blessing Service			

### **MORNING PRAYER WEEKLY 9.30-9.55am**

**St Richard's Mon, St Leonard's Tues, St Martin's Weds, St Nicholas' Thurs**

### **SAVE THE DATE!**

**ANIMAL BLESSING SERVICE** Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October, 4pm at St Leonard's. All well behaved humans and their pets and or photographs welcome.

**YOUTH CHOIR** begins on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October, 10-11.30am at St Richard's for all children 7yrs & upwards. Snacks will be served.

**GUMBO - LIVE IN CONCERT WITH DINNER** Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October in St Richard's at 7 for 7.30pm. Tickets £10 from [udgm.kids@gmail.com](mailto:udgm.kids@gmail.com). **Ticket price now includes a bowl of chicken 'Gumbo' and bread.** Please see [new](#) posters in Churches for information. Funds raised will help support our lovely churches in the parish.

**COFFEE MORNING FUNDRAISER** Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 10-12pm in the Social Centre, in aid of **Sholden School's Religious Education department.**

### NOTICES

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

**HARVEST FESTIVAL GIFTS** Our Harvest services will be in all our churches on 4<sup>th</sup> October. All churches will be collecting for the Food Bank, apart from St Nicholas' who will be collecting for Emmaus. Please see the list in churches and attached to the weekly email for the items that could be donated. Thank you.

**RIDE & STRIDE 2025** A big thank you to all who helped run this event over the weekend of the 13<sup>th</sup>. Visitors enjoyed seeing the churches & the refreshments.

**UDGM STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2025 LEAFLETS** Please consider helping with delivery, asking friends or family for help, ideas gratefully received. We are delivering in Deal as Sholden & Gt Mongeham are, very kindly, taken care of. Wendy will be at the service on 28<sup>th</sup> September with the list and leaflets.

**\*PARISH TREASURER** The need for a treasurer for the Parish is past being urgent, now critical. John will not be continuing with this work after a particular project is completed. **Please pray about this.** We need a solution. Any ideas for a way forward, please speak to Rev Monica.\*

**WHATSAPP GROUP** Please use the link to join the new parish **WhatsApp** group.

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**VOCATIONAL TRAINING** Please continue to pray for Stephen Manion & Julie Murrow. Stephen begins his placement in Walmer parish this week until November.

### CHURCH BANK DETAILS

Paying tithes and pledges electronically is easy. The details you need to know are below. We would also be delighted if you would complete the Gift Aid form if you pay tax, 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 No:** 31141228

**Parish Giving Scheme URL:**

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### God of Mission,

Who alone brings growth to your Church.

Send your Holy Spirit to give

Vision for our planning,

Wisdom to our actions,

Joy to our worship and power to our witness.

Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you

And in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**