

WHAT'S ON?

In the Parish of Upper Deal & Great Mongeham

Seventeenth after Trinity- 12th October 2025

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St Leonard's	St Martin's	St Nicholas'	St Richard's
8.00am Holy	11.00am	9.30am	10.00am
Communion	Family Service	Family Service	Next service 19 th
10.00am	with Holy	without Holy	October 'Little
Family Service with	Communion	Communion	Lights', children's
Holy Communion			breakfast service

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



St Leonard's 2 New every morning is the love 217 Be thou my guardian and my guide 221 Stand up, stand up for Jesus Anthem: Jesus dulcedo cordium – Plainsong mode ii 421 Strengthen for service, Lord 117 Praise to the Holiest in the height	St Martin's 526 New every morning is the love 321 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds 689 Take up thy cross, the Saviour said 623 Praise my soul, the King of Heaven
St Nicholas' 691 This is the day 50 Be still for the presence of the Lord 617 Stand up, stand up for Jesus 506 O Lord my God	This week's music

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: 2 Kings 5. 1-3, 7-15c

5 Now Naaman was commander of the army of the king of Aram. He was a great man in the sight of his master and highly regarded, because through him the LORD had given victory to Aram. He was a valiant soldier, but he had leprosy. ² Now bands of raiders from Aram had gone out and had taken captive a young girl from Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, "If only my master would see the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy."

⁷ As soon as the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his robes and said, "Am I God? Can I kill and bring back to life? Why does this fellow send someone to me to

be cured of his leprosy? See how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me!" ⁸ When Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his robes, he sent him this message: "Why have you torn your robes? Have the man come to me and he will know that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹ So Naaman went with his horses and chariots and stopped at the door of Elisha's house. ¹⁰ Elisha sent a messenger to say to him, "Go, wash yourself seven times in the Jordan, and your flesh will be restored and you will be cleansed."

¹¹ But Naaman went away angry and said, "I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, wave his hand over the spot and cure me of my leprosy. ¹² Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Couldn't I wash in them and be cleansed?" So he turned and went off in a rage. ¹³ Naaman's servants went to him and said, "My father, if the prophet had told you to do some great thing, would you not have done it? How much more, then, when he tells you, 'Wash and be cleansed'!" ¹⁴ So he went down and dipped himself in the Jordan seven times, as the man of God had told him, and his flesh was restored and became clean like that of a young boy¹⁵ Then Naaman and all his attendants went back to the man of God. He stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the world except in Israel. So please accept a gift from your servant."

Psalm 111. 6-10

Praise the LORD. I will extol the LORD with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly.

- ² Great are the works of the LORD; they are pondered by all who delight in them.
- ³ Glorious and majestic are his deeds, and his righteousness endures forever.
- ⁴ He has caused his wonders to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and compassionate.
- ⁵ He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever.

Second reading: 2 Timothy 2. 8-15

⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, ⁹ for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. ¹⁰ Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

¹¹ Here is a trustworthy saying:

If we died with him, we will also live with him;

¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him.

If we disown him, he will also disown us;

- ¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful, for he cannot disown himself.
- ¹⁴ Keep reminding God's people of these things. Warn them before God against quarrelling about words; it is of no value, and only ruins those who listen. ¹⁵ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

Gospel: Luke 17. 11-19

¹¹ Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. ¹² As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance ¹³ and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"

¹⁴ When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed.

¹⁵ One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. ¹⁶ He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan¹⁷ Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? ¹⁸ Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."

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.**

PARISH WEDDINGS & BAPTISMS We pray God's blessings on both couples who will be married in our parish in October; Sarah & Brandon, Scarlett & Jack.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED ESPECIALLY FOR: Baby Lola, 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: including Geraldine Carney. 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 – 19th October 2025

St Leonard's	St Martin's	St Nicholas'	St Richard's
8.00am	11.00am	9.30am	10.00am
Holy Communion	Family Service	Family	'Little Lights',
10.00am	without Holy	Service with	children's breakfast
Family Service without	Communion	Holy	service
Holy Communion		Communion	

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!

PARISH PRAYERS Saturday 11th October 10am in your own homes or wherever you are. Prayer points in weekly email.

BOOK CLUB Ever wondered how to live a successful, fulfilling & enjoyable life? Wonder no more! Read the Book of Proverbs, a collection of practical sayings & wisdom from the Old Testament. The original/first self-help book; &... far more helpful, easy to read & understand. I would love to know what you think - come & discuss, argue on Thurs, 23 October at The Farrier, 2pm start

YOUTH CHOIR continues on the first Sunday of the month, 10-11.30am at St Richard's for all children 7yrs & upwards. Snacks will be served. Please pray for this endeavour.

DWELLING IN THE WORD Our next meeting at the Manion's will be on Friday 17th October, 7pm.

GUMBO - LIVE IN CONCERT WITH DINNER Saturday 18th October in St Richard's at 7 for 7.30pm. Tickets £10 from udgm.kids@gmail.com. Ticket price 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 21st October, 10-12pm in the Social Centre, in aid of Sholden School's Religious Education department. SHINE PARTY Friday 31st at 4-5pm, St Richard's Church, for children of all ages (under 6 with an adult). Dressing up in light, shiny clothing, no Hallowe'en costumes please.

PARISH CHRISTMAS FAYRE Sat 6th December 11am until 2pm in St Leonard's Social Centre. Tables booked, payable in advance via email. See flyers/poster.

NOTICES

SAFEGUARDING Please raise safeguarding concerns immediately with our Safeguarding Officer, Mandy Forrest 01304 372521 or 07999 910197 **UDGM STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2025 LEAFLETS** Deliveries are still go! Sholden & Gt Mongeham are taken care of – thank you. Please see Wendy as soon as possible to pick your route.

*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. https://chat.whatsapp.com/IYnoITbxt0eB0mzyIEbmRE?mode=ac t

VOCATIONAL TRAINING Please continue to pray for Stephen Manion & Julie Murrow. Stephen is enjoying his placement in Walmer parish which continues 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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Treasurer's email: treasurerudgm@outlook.com

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.



