

Services this week:

Sunday 20th July - 5th Sunday after Trinity
Family Communion - 10.00am



Readings this week:

Amos 8.1-12 Psalm 52 Colossians 1.15-28 Luke 10.38-42

Readings next week - 6th Sunday after Trinity

Hosea 1.2-10 Psalm 85* Colossians 2.6-15 [16-19] Luke 11.1-13

Service bell ringing is before a service on 1st and 3rd Sundays 9.30-10.00am

Forthcoming services in church:

Sunday 27 th July	9.00am	Breakfast Church - Phil Goodey
Sunday 3 rd August	10.00am	Holy Communion - Liz Griffiths
Sunday 10 th August	10.00am	Morning Worship - Paul Morris
Sunday 17 th August	10.00am	Family Communion - Mike Dilly
Sunday 24 th August	9.00am	Breakfast Church - TBC
Sunday 31 st August	10.00am	Morning Worship - Phil Goodey
Sunday 7 th September	10.00am	Holy Communion - Liz Griffiths

Forthcoming Events

Baby & Toddler Morning Wednesday 23rd July 10-11.30am in church.
World & Community Prayers Monday 21st July 10-10.30am in church.
Lego Club & Family Fun Saturday 2nd August 9.30-noon in church.
Men's Breakfast Club Saturday 9th August 9am in the Village Shop.
Coffee/Book Sale Saturday 16th August 10am-12pm in church.

Bell ringing practice every Friday from 6-7pm in church.



The church is open for private prayer on
Tuesday and Thursday between 9am and 3pm



Articles for the Bulletin



If you have any news or notices for the Bulletin, please email: stleonardsbulletin@gmail.com by 5pm on Friday.



St Leonard's Broad Blunsdon



Sunday 20th July 2025

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Colossians 1.15-28

We live in a culture which is obsessed with image and identity - but what is real and what is fake? Artificial intelligence has made it difficult to distinguish what is true and what isn't.

In the second part of Colossians chapter one, Paul makes some staggering claims about the person of Jesus Christ, one of them being that Jesus is the image of God. In one of Paul's richest theological reflections on Jesus, he talks about the crucified Christ as the invisible God made visible.

We will be exploring what it means for Jesus to be the image of God and what it means for us today.

Andy Bissex



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*"It is he whom we proclaim,
warning everyone and teaching
everyone in all wisdom, so that
we may present everyone
mature in Christ. Jesus:" -
Colossians 1:28*

Our Parish Prayer

Father God, thank you for our parish and its people. Fill us with your Holy Spirit so that our faith may grow. Help us to see you in everyone we meet and fill our lives with your praise. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for the week

Heavenly Father,
we praise Jesus, the image
of your glory, through whom
all things exist and hold
together.
Grant us wisdom to know
your will, strength to
endure with joy, and
passion to proclaim Christ,
presenting everyone
mature in Him.
Amen.

Please Remember In Your Prayers

all those who are sick or troubled, praying especially for healing and comfort for those known to us and all who are supporting these people in their difficult times. Please pray especially for:

**Jean Emerson, Pam Morgan,
Heather Armitage.**

Please also pray for our world: for peace where there is conflict, for justice where there is oppression, and for compassion to guide all hearts. Amen.

Collections: If you would like to make a deposit towards the upkeep of the church the account is:

Parochial Church Council Blunsdon St Leonard's Church

Sort Code: 30-98-41

Account: 00323358

Gift Aid forms are available. Payments can also be made on the pay station in church.

Parish of St Leonard, Broad Blunsdon - who to contact

Administration/General Enquiries:

St Michael's Church Office (open 10am-12pm Tues-Fri) Vicarage Lane,
Highworth Tel **01793-762702** or email office@stmichaelshighworth.co.uk

Ministry Enquiries:

Rector: Rev Phil Goodey 01793-677281 (day off Friday)

Churchwardens: Helen Griffiths griff9999@btinternet.com

Paul Morris 07976-961501 paulwmorris777@gmail.com

Lay Readers: Kathryn Dack 01793-700727, Paul Morris

Website: www.stmichaelshighworth.co.uk

Facebook: St Leonard's Church Blunsdon
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61572291022888>

Instagram: @stleonardsblunsdon

<https://www.instagram.com/stleonardsblunsdon/>

Find out more about our church and services/events at

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/11846/>



St Leonard's News

Lego Club presents - Family Fun Morning

On Saturday 2nd August Lego Club is expanding to a Family Fun Morning. As well as the usual Lego building and breakfast there will be crafting, face painting, a tattoo parlour, second-hand children's book sale and more! From 9.30am until noon, all welcome. Speak to Rachel or Helen for more information.

Malcolm Hobday

Some of you will remember Malcolm Hobday who died recently. We would like to send our love to his daughter Lorraine and the rest of his family. Over the years, Malcolm was a great help to St Leonard's. He made the cabinet that the Benefactors' book is held in and was part of the team that replaced the bells some years ago. We would like to recognise and thank him for his contribution which was and still is much appreciated.

Bishop of Bristol Farewell Service

We will say farewell to Bishop Viv at a special service in Bristol Cathedral on Sat. 30th August at 3pm. Everyone is welcome to attend this service, followed by light refreshments. To assist with planning, we ask that all guests book in no later than 20th August 2025 via:
<https://email.bristolodiocese.org/c/AQIX2hUQsrycARi4xuQ0llqMkgqg4mGfWSy2SezqWFloJ8dlIJX0iRvEemoOJ4AqnU66g>

Service Feedback Forms

Now Andy has started his curacy there is a need for service feedback from the congregation for all services. A short anonymous "Feedback" form has been designed, available after each service at the back of the church, no matter who is leading. Only two or three of these need to be completed each week by a range of people across the months. Please ask if you are interested in doing this for us, we might also alight on "volunteers"! Please speak with Helen or Phil.

Free funding for our churches with Easyfundraising

Please look at joining Easyfundraising to raise funds for the Reordering Project simply by shopping online via the portal or smartphone app. Search for "St Leonard's - Blunsdon" as the cause to support. See the following link for more details, or speak with Paul Morris.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/st-leonards-church-blunsdon>.

Please also ask family and friends to join!