

WHAT'S ON?

In the Parish of Upper Deal & Great Mongeham

Bible Sunday – 26thth October 2025

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St Leonard's	St Martin's	St Nicholas'	St Richard's
8.00am Holy	11.00am	9.30am	10.45am
Communion	Family Service	Family Service	Next Family
10.00am	with Holy	without Holy	Service with
Family Service with	Communion	Communion	Communion and
Holy Communion			Youth Choir (from
			10am) on Sun 2 nd
			Nov

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



St Leonard's		St Martin's	
346	Christ is the world's true light (t 205)	27 All who would valiant be	
166	Lord, thy word abideth	87 Breathe on me breath of God	
423	Thanks to God whose Word was spoken	91 Brother Sister let me serve you	
Anthem: God be in my head - Aston		237 God forgave my sins in Jesus name	
261	Once, only once, and once for all	498. Majesty, worship his majesty. X2	
431	We have a gospel to proclaim		
St Nicholas'			
30	Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord	This week's music	
446	Lord, thy word abideth		
590	Seek ye first the kingdom of God		
728	We have a gospel to proclaim		

The Collect

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, 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: Isaiah 45. 22-end

- ²² "Turn to me and be saved, all you ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is no other.
- ²³ By myself I have sworn, my mouth has uttered in all integrity a word that will not be revoked: Before me every knee will bow; by me every tongue will swear.
- ²⁴ They will say of me, 'In the LORD alone are deliverance and strength.'" All who have raged against him will come to him and be put to shame.

²⁵But all the descendants of Israel will find deliverance in the LORD and will make their boast in him.

Psalm 119, 130-135

- ¹³⁰ The unfolding of your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.
- ¹³¹ I open my mouth and pant, longing for your commands.
- ¹³² Turn to me and have mercy on me, as you always do to those who love your name.
- ¹³³ Direct my footsteps according to your word; let no sin rule over me.
- ¹³⁴ Redeem me from human oppression, that I may obey your precepts.
- ¹³⁵ Make your face shine on your servant and teach me your decrees.

Second reading: Romans 15. 1-6

- **15** We who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak and not to please ourselves. ² Each of us should please our neighbours for their good, to build them up. ³ For even Christ did not please himself but, as it is written: "The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me." ⁴ For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope
- ⁵ May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, ⁶ so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Luke 4.16-24

- ¹⁶ He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:
- ¹⁸ "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour."
- ²⁰ Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. ²¹ He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."
- ²² All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his lips. "Isn't this Joseph's son?" they asked.
- ²³ Jesus said to them, "Surely you will quote this proverb to me: 'Physician, heal yourself!' And you will tell me, 'Do here in your home town what we have heard that you did in Capernaum."
- ²⁴ "Truly I tell you," he continued, "no prophet is accepted in his home town.

Post Communion Prayer

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED ESPECIALLY FOR: Mavis Harris, Michael Chambers, Michael Finney, Baby Lola, Baby Esmae, Tanneke Berwick, Margaret Thurgood, Andrew Russell, Heather Brennon, Barbara Sharman, Jean Gear, Dave James, Joan Finney, Ian Instone & his family. 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 – 2nd November 2025

St Leonard's	St Martin's	St Nicholas'	St Richard's
8.00am	11.00am	9.30am	10.45am
Holy Communion	Family Service	Family Service	Family Service with
10.00am	without Holy	with Holy	Communion and Youth
Family Service	Communion	Communion	Choir (from 10am) on
without Holy			Sun 2 nd Nov
Communion			
5.30pm			
All Souls 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!

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 **ADVENT COURSE** From Weds 3rd, 10th & 17th, December. 'Reflections on Incarnation'. Led by Rev John Wakeman. St Richard's, 7pm. More details coming soon.

PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR Sat 6th December, 11am-2pm in St Leonard's Social Centre. Table may be booked with Rev Sharon sharon.greenwood81058@gmail.com DEAL WARM WELCOME returns to St Richard's from Mon 3rd Nov. The scheme runs until the beginning of April. Flyers are in churches with details of other locations.

NOTICES

SAFEGUARDING Please raise safeguarding concerns immediately with our Safeguarding Officer, Mandy Forrest 01304 372521 or 07999 910197 CHARITY COFFEE MORNING FUNDRAISER raised a fantastic £402 for Sholden School. Thanks to the Coffee Morning team and all who came and supported.

GUMBO CONCERT FUNDRAISER raised £352 for the parish. A huge thank you to the band, Tracey, Marian & the whole team who organised such a fun event.

UDGM STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2025 LEAFLETS Deliveries are still go!

Sholden & Gt Mongeham are taken care of – thank you. We have many roads in Deal left to receive leaflets. Please see Wendy as soon as possible for some leaflets and to pick your route. Thank you to those who have volunteered.

THANK YOU to our gardeners, one known, Derek Russell, for help in clearing the

WINTER PLAN FOR COLD WEATHER ST LEONARD'S CHURCH There is a plan for where St Leonard's services will be during cold weather this year. Please see flyer in email & in the church. We would be very grateful for donations towards the cost for the times when we will have to heat the church. Thank you.

overgrowth in St Leonard's. The other gentleman, whose name I only got today, is a

local man called Peter Ghiloni. Thanks to both for their hard work.

MEMORY CAFÉ With effect from November the Memory Café will be running on the same weeks but at the new time of 3-5pm.

PARISH TREASURER The need for a treasurer for the Parish is past being urgent, now critical. With effect from 31/10 this Parish will be without a treasurer. Please pray about this. 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

ST RICHARD'S HIRE has a new email for bookings strichardshire@gmail.com

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.

