

St. Leonard's NEWS

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Sunday 10 May 2026

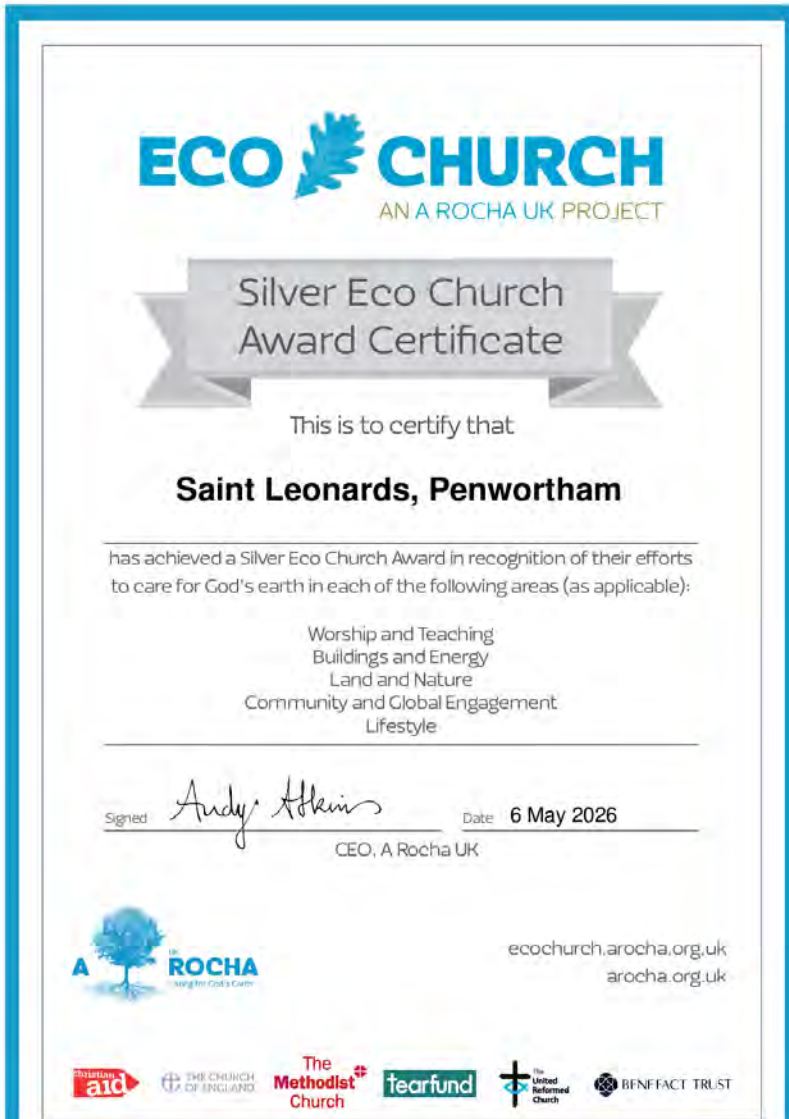
Easter 6

The Weekly Newsletter for St. Leonard's Church

Marshall's Brow, Penwortham PR1 9JA



St Leonard's Silver Success



On Wednesday, we were delighted to receive a Silver Eco Church Award from A Rocha UK — a tremendous achievement and a real milestone in the life of our church. Even more remarkably, St Leonard's is now one of only ten churches in the Diocese to hold the award, and the very first church in our Deanery to achieve Silver status.

This award recognises the enormous amount of care, commitment and practical action that has gone into making St Leonard's a church that seeks to care well for God's creation — in our worship, our buildings, our land, our community life and the choices we make together.

Much of the credit belongs to our fantastic Eco Group, chaired by Ian Dawson, whose vision, enthusiasm and persistence have helped drive this work forward. We are deeply grateful for the time, energy and passion that the group — and many others across the congregation — have poured into this shared endeavour.

This is far more than simply receiving a certificate. It is a visible sign of our commitment to being the very best stewards of creation that we can be, recognising that caring for the world around us is an important part of our Christian faith and witness.

Thank you to everyone whose hard work, encouragement and belief helped make this possible. This is something the whole church family can celebrate with real joy and pride!



Being recognised for our Eco efforts is great news. A big well done to our Eco Group of Jeanette, Laraine, Lucy and Michelle. Not forgetting of course all the hard work that's done week in week out by other volunteers who tend the grounds, borders etc and to those involved with Eco activities such as Messy Church reminding us of the importance of looking after God's Creation. The award also recognises the work we have started to develop in building links to other local groups ~ engaging with others across the Parish in this way helps us reinforce some of the messages we are developing as part of Leading Your Church into Growth (as long as growth excludes weeds !!). Ian Dawson



*St Leonard's
G&S Group*

7.30 pm Thursday 21st May 2026

7.30 pm Friday 22nd May 2026

2.30 pm Saturday 23rd May 2026



Tickets £10

Accompanied U12s free

For ticket information,
call 01772 612030

**St Leonard's Church, Marshalls
Brow, Penwortham PR1 9JA**




<https://www.facebook.com/groups/Utopia1>

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**People's
Emergency
Briefing**

Community Screening

National
Emergency
Briefing

A new film featuring Chris Packham, leading climate and nature scientists, a former general and Jennifer Saunders - all being pretty frank about where things are heading and what can be done about it.

Penwortham
Thurs 28th May - 6-8pm
Thurs 11th June - 6-8pm

The Venue, Penwortham Arts Centre
 Liverpool Road, PR1 9XE
 Free Event
 Bar and light refreshments available - bring cash

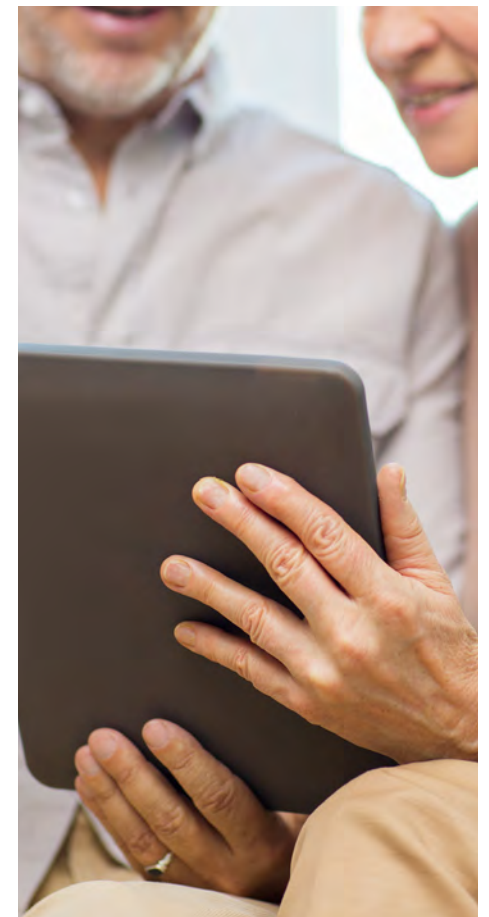
Any questions contact : hello@kayjohnsonmbe.com

A reminder - do you still want to receive this newsletter?

Last week we mentioned that, as part of our move over to the new iKnow Church system, we would soon be contacting everyone on our mailing list to check that they are still happy to receive emails and newsletters from St Leonard's.

Those emails were sent out earlier this week. If you would like to continue receiving this newsletter and other church updates by email, please do take a moment to reply "YES" if you have not already done so. The new system will help us communicate more effectively and ensure that your information is stored more securely.

Thank you for your help with this – and thank you too for staying connected with the life of St Leonard's Church.



Tallest Sunflower Competition 2026

Plant your seeds - April to early May

Grow the tallest Sunflower you can, measure it and send a photograph to enter the competition.

You can send your entry to www.progressgroup.org.uk/bloom or email community@progressgroup.org.uk by Sunday 6th September 2026



Need seeds? Collect from:



Sumner House, Leyland 🌻 The Base, Broadfield, Leyland 🌻 The Place, Wade Hall, Leyland
 Lower Lane Community Centre, Freckleton 🌻 Saltcotes Community Centre, Lytham
 Independent Living schemes 🌻 St Marys Community Centre, Leyland
 Penwortham Community Centre, Kingsfold Drive 🌻 RWP Housing Officers

Or call/text/WhatsApp Michelle on 07976 813939



Sunday 10 May
8:30am Holy Communion
10am All Age Family Service

Wednesday 13 May
10am Holy Communion

Thursday 14 May
7pm Ascension Day Sung
Holy Communion

Friday 15 May
8am Morning Prayer

Sunday 17 May
8:30am Holy Communion
10am Sung Holy Communion
11.30am Baptism of Harmony
Odonnell

Tuesday 19 May
5:30pm LYCiG Follow up
Session 2 - Whalley Abbey

Wednesday 20 May
10am Holy Communion

Friday 22 May
8am Morning Prayer

Sunday 24 May
8:30am Holy Communion
10am Sung Holy Communion

IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE

If you have any news, prayer requests or a particular anniversaries you would like to share in this newsletter, please email them to revsimonking@gmail.com

Sidespersons, Readers and Coffee Rota

Sun 10 May - Easter 6
Acts 17.22 - 31 | John 14.15 - 21
8.30am Franklin Bello and Peter Milner. *Reader:* Rev Simon.
10.00am. Joyce Helm *Reader:* TBC
Prayers: Rev Simon / *Set Coffee:* Barbara and Christine

Thurs 14 May - Ascension Day
Acts 1.1 - 11 | Luke 24.44 - end
7.00pm Prayers: Rev Simon

Sun 17 May - Sun after Ascension
Acts 1.6 - 14 | John 17.1-11
8.30am Irene Farrimond and Elizabeth Bunyan. *Reader:* Rev Janet.
10.00am. Barbara Palmer *Reader:* Melvyn Gardner *Prayers:* Rev Janet
Coffee: Laraine and Anne.

Sun 24 May - Pentecost
Acts 2.1-21 | John 20.19-23
8.30am Phil and Susan Range. *Reader:* Andrea Waine.
10.00am. Sylvia Johnson *Reader:* Philip Walsh *Prayers:* Rev Simon *Coffee:* Brian and Melvyn.

Sun 31 May - Trinity Sunday
Isaiah 40.12-17, 27-end | Matt. 28.16-end
8.30am Peter Milner and Angela Milner. *Reader:* Anglea Milner.
10.00am. Joyce Helm *Reader:* Rev Simon *Prayers:* Diane Raynor *Coffee:* Linda and Alistair.

Sun 7 June - Trinity 1
Genesis 12.1-9 | Matt 9.9-13 / 18-26
8.30am Franklin Bello and Phil Range. *Reader:* Philip Walsh.
10.00am. Linda and Alistair Woollard *Reader:* Anne Butterworth *Prayers:* Rev Simon *Coffee:* Barbara and Christine.



£1.00 SALE

Penwortham Community Centre
Kingsfold Drive
PR1 9EQ

Saturday 16th May 2026
11am-3pm

All clothing £1.00 only

God of Mission:
Who alone brings growth to your church. Send your Holy Spirit to give vision to 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

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