

WHAT'S ON?
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<i>Sunday 18th October '26</i> <i>Luke the Evangelist</i>	<u>St Leonard's</u> 8.00am Holy Communion 10.00am Family Service without Holy Communion 4.30pm Choral Evensong	<u>St Martin's</u> 11.00am Family Service without Holy Communion	<u>St Nicholas'</u> 9.30am Family Service with Holy Communion	<u>St Richard's</u> 10am Little Lights Children's breakfast service
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WEEKLY PARISH COMMUNION Please join us on Tuesdays, 12 noon, in St Leonard's church after the Coffee Morning.



St Leonard's

30 Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks
 133 Father, I place into your hands
 611 Spirit of holiness
 631 Tell out my soul

St Martin's

19 All my hope on God is founded
 273 Great is thy faithfulness
 676 Thou whose almighty word
 687 Take my life & let it be
 777 To God be the glory

Choral Evensong

244 Hark my soul, it is the Lord
 Psalm 143 (vv1-11) Chant – Howells in B
 flat minor
 Magnificat Chant - Wesley in G
 Nunc Dimittis Burgon in F
 Anthem Lead me, Lord - Wesley
 508 Rejoice in God's saints

St Nicholas'

30 Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks
 446 Lord thy word abideth
 590 Seek ye first the kingdom of God
 728 We have a gospel to proclaim

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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: Acts 16. 6-12a

⁶ Paul and his companions travelled throughout the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been kept by the Holy Spirit from preaching the word in the province of Asia. ⁷ When they came to the border of Mysia, they tried to enter Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus would not allow them to. ⁸ So they passed by Mysia and went down to Troas. ⁹ During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' ¹⁰ After Paul had seen the vision, we got ready at once to leave for Macedonia, concluding that God had called

us to preach the gospel to them. ¹¹ From Troas we put out to sea and sailed straight for Samothrace, and the next day we went on to Neapolis. ¹² From there we travelled to Philippi, a Roman colony and the leading city of that district of Macedonia. And we stayed there several days.

Psalm 147. 1-7

¹ Praise the LORD. How good it is to sing praises to our God, how pleasant and fitting to praise him!

² The LORD builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the exiles of Israel.

³ He heals the broken-hearted and binds up their wounds.

⁴ He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name.

⁵ Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his understanding has no limit.

⁶ The LORD sustains the humble but casts the wicked to the ground.

⁷ Sing to the LORD with grateful praise; make music to our God on the harp.

Second reading: 2 Timothy 4. 5-17

⁵ But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry. ⁶ For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time for my departure is near. ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day – and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing. ⁹ Do your best to come to me quickly, ¹⁰ for Demas, because he loved this world, has deserted me and has gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, and Titus to Dalmatia. ¹¹ Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, because he is helpful to me in my ministry. ¹² I sent Tychicus to Ephesus. ¹³ When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, and my scrolls, especially the parchments. ¹⁴ Alexander the metalworker did me a great deal of harm. The Lord will repay him for what he has done. ¹⁵ You too should be on your guard against him, because he strongly opposed our message. ¹⁶ At my first defence, no one came to my support, but everyone deserted me. May it not be held against them. ¹⁷ But the Lord stood at my side and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. And I was delivered from the lion's mouth.

Gospel: Luke 10. 1-9

10 After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. ² He told them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. ³ Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. ⁴ Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road. ⁵ 'When you enter a house, first say, "Peace to this house." ⁶ If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Stay there, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house. ⁸ 'When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to you. ⁹ Heal those there who are ill and tell them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you."

Post Communion Prayer

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever. **Amen.**

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED ESPECIALLY FOR: Bruce & Emma, Geoff H, Christine Kn, Philip T, David F, Keith O, Mary B, Stephen M, Noel T, Carolyn C, Dennis B, Mavis H, Michael C, Baby Lola, Baby Esmae, Margaret T, Andrew R, Heather B, Barbara S, Jean G, Dave J, Joan F, Adrian M, Wendy T, Elizabeth M, Caroline R, Steve M, Jacob A. 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, we ask that you give peace and comfort to their families and friends & keep them in your loving strength as they come to terms with their loss.

<i>NEXT WEEK'S SERVICES Oct 25th Last Sunday after Trinity</i>	<u>St Leonard's</u> 8.00am Holy Communion 10.00am Family Service with Holy Communion	<u>St Martin's</u> 11.00am Family Service with Holy Communion	<u>St Nicholas'</u> 9.30am Family Service without Holy Communion	<u>St Richard's</u> 10am No service
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WEEKLY MORNING PRAYER 9.30-9.55am – please join us
St Richard's Mon, St Leonard's Tues, St Martin's Weds, St Nicholas' Thurs

'STILL WATERS' WEEKLY PRAYER GROUP

Wednesday's prayer group, 2pm, at a different location, not necessarily a church. See the Parish WhatsApp group for info or text Wendy M on 07411 432541.

SAVE THE DATE!

CONNECT: COMPLINE & CONVERSATION - formerly known as 'Friday Night Life' in the Social Centre Benefice Lounge on Friday 16th October at 6:30pm (finishes 8pm), then fortnightly until Friday 27th November. Simple Compline service followed by conversation afterwards. If you have been to Friday Night Life, it will be a similar format. (Rev John Wakeman)

SIP AND PAINT EVENT Sat 21st November, 3pm, St Richard's. A fundraising afternoon for adults. £10 each to include all materials & refreshments. Bring your own drinks, see flyer for details. Paint a masterpiece & help raise funds for the parish repairs. Book quickly with Tracey or via udgm.kids@gmail.com.



COFFEE MORNING FUNDRAISER Tuesday 24th November in aid of **Smile Train**, 9.30-11.30am, all the usual stalls, please come and support the last fundraiser of the year. Raffle prizes and cakes welcome to help boost sales.

ADVENT COURSE begins for 4 weeks on Tues 24th Nov, 7pm at St Richard's, led by Rev Steve Manion. More details to follow.

NOTICES

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

CHRISTMAS FAIR The fundraising team is now accepting donations. We would be most grateful for any of the following; bottles of alcohol, cakes, new or nearly new gifts, Christmas food goods, small toys, chocolate. The hugest "thank you" for anything you are able to donate. Please bring along your items to any of the churches. Thank you.

FOOD BANK AND EMMAUS have both expressed their gratitude for our parish harvest offerings. Thank you for your help with these collections.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING Please continue to pray for our curates Rev John Wakeman, Rev Nick Tomaszewski & Rev Steve Manion as he continues with his studies. Julie Murrow has begun her formal training for ordination. Wendy Manion has begun Licenced Lay Reader Ministry training.

PARISH REPAIR FUND a lot of hard work has been going on in the background getting quotes & permissions for the works needed at St Leonard's, St Nicholas' & St Martin's. We now *urgently* need funding including grants **and** donations. A dedicated **JustGiving** page has been set up to raise money for essential repairs across the parish – heating systems x 2 and a roof replacement. Share the link when & wherever you can. *It is possible to indicate, on our page, which project you are supporting if this is your preference.* <https://www.justgiving.com/charity/Ecclesiastical-Parish-of-Upper>



CHURCH BANK DETAILS

Paying tithes and pledges electronically is easy. Thank you for your generosity. UDGMtreasurer@outlook.com

Account Name: Upper Deal and Gt. Mongeham PCC

Sort Code: 40-19-10 **Account No:** 31141228

Parish Giving Scheme URL: <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/upper-deal-w-great-mongeham-deal/>

Our Mission Prayer

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**

VACANCY FOR PCC SECRETARY

A secretary is **still** required for the meetings of our PCC (the trustees) and Standing Committee. See Wendy M for details

[PCC Secretaries - Diocese of Canterbury](#)

(This is not the Parish Admin job – WM will still be in the office Tues-Thurs.)

