



ST LEONARD'S CHURCH

Pews News: Sunday 18th October

Here, everyone is welcome, valued, and loved by God and each other as we explore faith and prayer together

This week at St Leonard's

Sunday 18th October - Harvest
with two local farmers speaking
United Worship with Communion - 10.30am

Wednesday 21st October
BCP Communion at the Ark - 10am
Stitch Craft - 10.30am - 12.30pm

Thursday 22nd October
Bell ringing practice - 7.30pm

Sunday 25th October
Informal Worship - 9.15am
Morning Worship - 11.15am

Bible Readings:

2 Corinthians 9: 6-end
page 1163 in Pew Bible

Luke 12: 16-30
page 1045 in Pew Bible

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WELCOME TO ST LEONARD'S CHURCH

Whether this be your first time or hundredth time at St Leonard's, you are very welcome. We hope that in this time of worship you encounter and know the peace and love of God. If you would like further information about the worship, life and ministry of St Leonard's or anything else, any member of our congregation will be happy to chat with you.

Service to Commemorate the Departed



St Leonard's Church
Sunday 25th October at 6pm

Commemoration Service Sunday 25th October, 6pm

At our Commemoration Service, we will remember by name those whose funerals we have taken over the past three years. If there is someone else whom you would like us to remember, please add their name to the list and we will include them as part of the service. Everyone is warmly invited to join us for this special and gentle act of remembrance, as we give thanks for those we have loved and lost.



To donate to St Leonard's scan the QR code and follow the instructions on the link. All donations support the ministry of St Leonard's.

An Update About Revd Paul Lawlor

Some of you will have heard the news shared in church last Sunday that Revd Paul Lawlor has been diagnosed with bowel cancer and will be undergoing treatment over the coming weeks and months, including surgery and chemotherapy.

We know this will be a difficult and uncertain time for Paul and Judi, and we ask that you hold them both in your thoughts and prayers, trusting that they will know God's love, strength and presence throughout the months ahead.

While Paul is taking time away from his ministerial responsibilities, temporary arrangements have been put in place. Revd Dr Alan Conant will take on the Area Dean responsibilities, while Revd Gail will provide interim leadership for the Redditch Mission Area (RMA), dedicating approximately two half-days each week to this work. Revd Gail has been working with the churchwardens and curates to make the necessary adjustments to parish ministry, ensuring that our churches continue to be well supported during this time.

There is a card available in church for everyone to sign, so that we can send Paul and Judi our love, encouragement and assurance of our prayers.

Please continue to hold them both in prayer, particularly as Paul begins treatment, and give them the space and privacy they may need during this time.

Being Kingdom People: Join the Story

We would really encourage you to come along and be part of this gathering. It's a great opportunity to meet Bishop Hugh, hear his vision for our diocese and join the conversation about what it means for us to be Kingdom People together. For many, this will be the first opportunity to meet our new Bishop. Revd Gail will be going to **St Peter's Church, Ipsley, on Saturday 14 November, 4-6pm**, and would love others from our churches to join her. If you can't make that date, please do go along to any of the other gatherings across the diocese. For more details check out the flyers around church.

Everyone is welcome and there's no need to book, we hope you'll come and join the story.



PILGRIMS OF CURIOUS HOPE

REV TERRY PALMER INVITES YOU TO JOIN HIM ON A HISTORICAL LOCAL PILGRIMAGE - WALKING ST KENELM'S WAY.

OVER THE NEXT 12 MONTHS I PLAN TO WALK THE 55-MILE ROUTE IN FIVE STAGES.
HOPEFULLY YOU CAN JOIN ME AS WE WALK AND TALK AND ENJOY FELLOWSHIP.
JOIN ME VISITING IMPORTANT PLACES OF INTEREST AND WORSHIP, FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION.

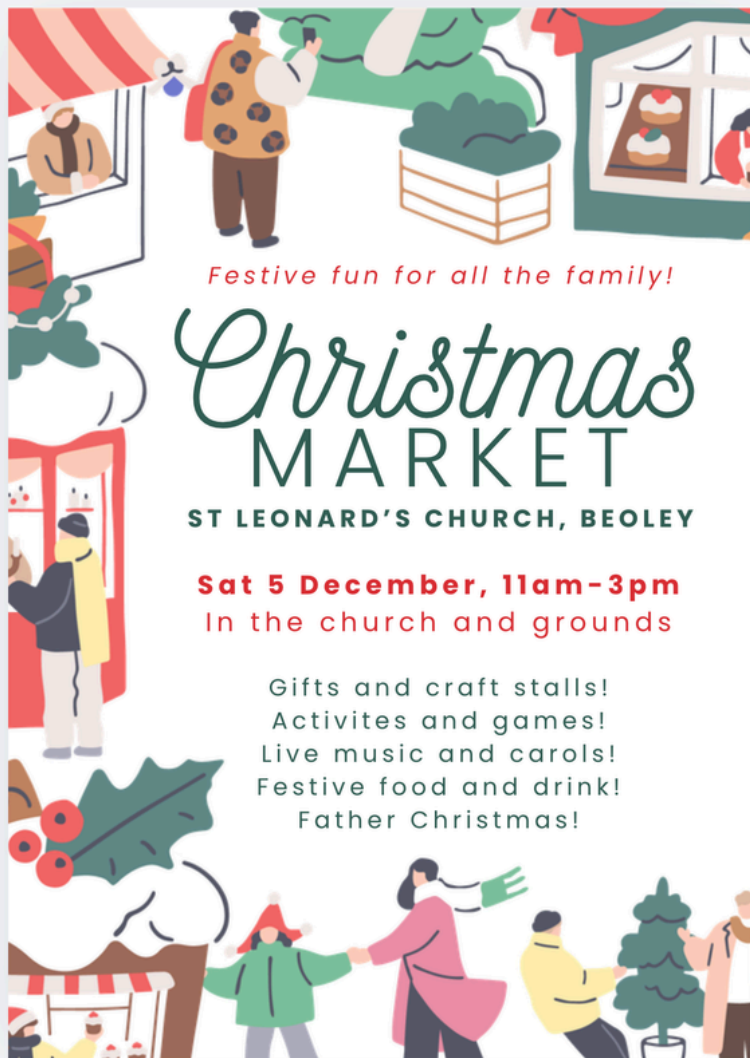
- THE FIRST STAGE WILL BE ON SATURDAY THE 14TH OF NOVEMBER. STARTING AT ST KENELM'S SPRING IN CLENT, FINISHING AT HANBURY HALL. (14 MILES)
- SECOND STAGE. SATURDAY 13TH FEBRUARY 2027. STARTING AT HANBURY HALL, FINISHING AT ST KENELM'S CHURCH, UPTON SNODSBURY. (11 MILES)
- THIRD STAGE. SATURDAY 15TH MAY 2027. STARTING AT ST KENELM'S CHURCH, UPTON SNODSBURY, FINISHING AT DUMBLETON. (16 MILES)
- FOURTH STAGE. SATURDAY 14TH AUGUST 2027. STARTING AT DUMBLETON, FINISHING AT HAILES ABBEY. (9 MILES)
- FIFTH STAGE, SATURDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2027. STARTING AT HAILES PARISH CHURCH, FINISHING AT ST PETERS CHURCH, WINCHCOMBE. (5 MILES)

YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN IN ANY STAGES OF THE WALK. THE ROUTE FOLLOWS NATURAL TRAILS AND COUNTRY SIDE FOOT PATHS AND WILL BE HILLY, UNPAVED AND POTENTIALLY OVERGROWN IN PLACES.

TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT OUR "LOCAL" SAINT KENELM, VISIT [HTTPS://EN.WIKIPEDIA.ORG/WIKI/SAINT_KENELM](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Saint_Kenelm)
TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE WALK, VISIT [HTTPS://WWW.BRITISHPILGRIMAGE.ORG/PORTFOLIO/ST-KENELMS-WAY-AND-TRAIL](https://www.britishpilgrimage.org/portfolio/st-kenelms-way-and-trail)

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Volunteers required for St Leonard's Christmas market, 5th Dec 2026. 11am to 3pm.

- Welcomers.
- Hosting children's crafts
- Serving mulled wine and mince pies.
- Bottle stall.
- Volunteers on hand to relieve those manning stalls for break periods.
- Help set up the day before, Friday the 4th, pm.

We are also looking for donations.

Please leave in the donations box in church

- Grand Draw prizes.
- Cakes (home baked) for the cake stall.
- Tombola Prizes.
- Chocolate bars for the Chocolate Treasure Chest.
- Bottle of Alcohol for the scratch card prize stall.
- A variety of new toys for Santa's sack.

Email or call Terry - 07834 098300.

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St Leonards Eco Services .

Thank you to all who contributed to our Eco services on the 11th October .

Staffan and Paul from Worcester Cathedral Eco group put together a wonderful presentation for us.

St Leonards Eco group express their gratitude for this.

St LEONARDS ECO GROUP would love one or two new members to volunteer to be part of our group and help with our quest to achieve the A Rocha Gold Award.

We meet once a month and it would be great to have you join us.

Look forward to hearing from you,

David Lloyd.

Daytime prayer group - One Parish, two churches.

Date 10/11/26 Time 11:30

Venue The Ark, Alvechurch

We're restarting the daytime prayer group after a summer pause. The prayer time focuses on the One Parish, two churches process and praying about it, as well as other items in people's lives.

To attract a few more people, we'll meet on Tuesdays, starting with coffee at 11:30 in the Ark. We'll meet monthly on the second Tuesday of the month, with the first meeting on 10th November.

We'll meet and chat, pray and then, if people wish, have a simple lunch together, aiming to finish by 13:00

All are welcome – any queries or questions, do get in touch

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