

# St Leonard's Church Newsletter

## August/September 2019



Our vision for St Leonard's:  
***"To be a Christian presence in the community,  
embodying God's love in all we say and do."***

Summer holidays are here! August tends to be a quieter month but we have a few things that will be happening in church. On Sunday 4th August, Bishop Colin will be coming to lead the 10am service and bless the new toilet and kitchen facilities. We'll share food and drink afterwards.

Then there's a free training session on *Open the Book*—bringing the Bible to life through drama—on Thursday 8th August. The contact for this is Julie Swann, who runs children and family activities for the Methodist Church. We're trying to get an ecumenical team together to run this in St Leonard's School from September. Let me (and Julie) know if you're interested in being involved.

There's always something on in church on Saturday mornings. We have all-age Bible studies on the first Saturday of each month, and board games, crafts and jigsaws on other Saturdays (see inside for dates). Please spread the word. Everyone is welcome. We don't have planned activities on the fifth Saturday of the month but we're always there for coffee and a chat.

The fifth Saturday on August, 31st, we do have something special—in the evening. *The Gospel Bell Collective* will be coming to help us celebrate the completion of our new facilities with music and dance. This will be followed by a bring and share supper.

Amidst all these activities, it's important that we take time out to rest, to sit (or stand) quietly in God's presence, and I hope and pray that everyone will have the opportunity to do so. I wish you all an enjoyable, restful summer.

Sue Burchell  
Vicar

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**Facebook:** [stleonardsbanbury](https://www.facebook.com/stleonardsbanbury)



A prayer group meets in church every Monday afternoon at 2pm. Choir practice is usually every Tuesday at 7.30pm.

### **Church Hall Bookings:**

Please call 07856 278797 or email saintleonardsbanbury@gmail.com or call into church any Saturday morning between 10.30 and 11.30



Bringing the Bible to life in schools.

Free initial training session on Thursday 8th August at St Leonard's Church 9.30am to 3.30pm. Drinks provided but please bring your own lunch.

Contact Julie Swann  
julieswann@rocketmail.com

## **What's On: August**

(here at St Leonard's unless otherwise specified)

- Sat 3 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee & **Explore Together:** Bible study
- Sun 4 10am Eucharist: Bishop Colin will preside and then bless our new facilities. Followed by refreshments—please bring something to share.
- Mon 5 11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
- Wed 7 10am Eucharist
- Thu 8 9.30am to 3.30pm *Open the Book* training
- Sat 10 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee & **Play Together:** board games
- Sun 11 10am Eucharist  
4pm *Seeking the Spirit* service
- Mon 12 11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
- Wed 14 10am Midweek Service
- Sat 17 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee & **Create Together:** craft activities
- Sun 18 10am Eucharist
- Mon 19 11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
- Wed 21 10am Eucharist
- Sat 24 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee & **Jigsaw Together**
- Sun 25 10am Eucharist  
4pm *Seeking the Spirit* service
- Mon 26 BANK HOLIDAY
- Wed 28 10am Eucharist
- Sat 31 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee  
6.30pm Music with *Gospel Bell*. Please bring some food to share.



Summer holiday activities for children in Moorfield Park on Thursdays 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th August, from 12 noon until 1.30pm. (Food served at 12 noon).

The deadline for the October newsletter is 20th Sept. Please send any items to Revd Sue.

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(here at St Leonard's unless otherwise specified)

Sun 1	10am Eucharist
Mon 2	11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
Wed 4	10am Eucharist 6.30pm Grimsbury Community Association meeting in the <b>Community Hall</b>
Thu 5	2pm Ministry Team meeting in <b>the vicarage</b>
Sat 7	10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee & <b>Explore Together:</b> Bible study
Sun 8	10am Eucharist 4pm <i>Seeking the Spirit</i> service
Mon 9	11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
Tue 10	10am Art Group
Wed 11	10am Eucharist 7pm PCC meeting in <b>the vicarage</b>
Sat 14	<b>Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust Ride &amp; Stride</b> 10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee & <b>Play Together:</b> board games
Sun 15	10am Eucharist
Mon 16	11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
Tue 17	10am Art Group
Wed 18	10am Eucharist
Thu 19	10am-1pm <b>CI Safeguarding Training</b>
Sat 21	10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee & <b>Create Together:</b> craft activities
Sun 22	10am <b>Harvest Festival Eucharist</b> with children from St Leonard's School 4pm <i>Seeking the Spirit</i> service
Mon 23	11.30am Lenny's Monday Club
Tue 24	10am Art Group
Wed 25	10am Eucharist
Thu 26	<b>Quiet Day:</b> Art, God & Me. 10am-3pm
Sat 28	10am Morning Prayer; 10.30am Coffee & <b>Jigsaw Together</b>
Sun 29	10am Eucharist 12.30pm Baptism
Mon 30	11.30am Lenny's Monday Club

St Leonard's Church  
Middleton Road, Banbury  
OX16 4RG

All-age celebration with  
**Gospel Bell**

[www.Gospelbell.com](http://www.Gospelbell.com)

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August @  
6.30pm

Gospel Bell play uplifting, spiritual music from the American Gospel Blues and Country Gospel traditions. An infectious, singalong, toe tapping treat – with dancing in the aisles too!

Bring and share supper.

Contact: Sheila James (01295 268309)

Donations invited towards the cost of our new toilet and kitchen

Our local schools are:



[st-leonards.oxon.sch.uk](http://st-leonards.oxon.sch.uk)

and



**Dashwood Banbury Academy**  
an Aspirations Academy

[www.aatdashwood.org](http://www.aatdashwood.org)

## Sunday Rota—August

	4 Aug <i>Luke 12:13-21</i>	11 Aug <i>Luke 12:32-40</i>	18 Aug <i>Luke 12:49-56</i>	25 Aug <i>Luke 13:10-17</i>
<b>First Reading</b>	<b>Geraldine:</b> Eccles 1:2, 12-14, 2:18-23 Psalm 49:1-12	<b>Tim:</b> Genesis 17:15- 19, 18:1-15; Psalm 33:12-21	<b>Charles:</b> Jer 23:23-29 Psalm 82	<b>Priscilla:</b> Isaiah 58:9-end; Psalm 103:1-8
<b>Second Reading</b>	<b>Charles:</b> Col 3:1-11	<b>Margaret:</b> Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16	<b>Pat S:</b> Hebrews 11:29- 12:2	<b>Sue A:</b> Hebrews 12:18- end
<b>Prayers</b>	Henry	Rev Sue	Priscilla	Pat P
<b>MC</b>	Roger	Liz	Jerry	Liz
<b>Chalice</b>	Joan & Jennie	Charles & Liz	Pat S & Tim	Charles & Jerry
<b>Sides persons</b>	Ivy & Shirley	Jerry & Mark	Mike & Virginia	Joan & Jennie
<b>Coffee</b>	Charles & Jan	Sheila	Olyvia	Liz

### Deddington Deanery Intercessions

**4th Aug:** For the Diocesan Rural Chaplain; Glyn Evans. For all who work in and with the agricultural community, the Farm Community Network (FCN) the Chair and co-ordinator, and RABI (Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institute), all who work with livestock and animals.

**11th Aug:** Our Parish and Benefice magazines and all who contribute to, edit and deliver them. Pathways, our Diocesan magazine, the editorial staff. Our links with local community groups, organisations and events. The bell-ringers of our Deanery.

**18th Aug:** The Diocesan Secretary, Chairs of the various Boards and Committees, Diocesan Advisory Committee, the Chancellor and all who work in the Registry.

**25th Aug:** Farmers busy with harvesting crops. Farmers' Markets, Farm Shops and our efforts to reduce our food miles and carbon footprints. All Harvest Festival services, suppers and similar events. Rural Communities, farmers, those who work on the land to provide food. The animals raised for food – those who care for them, and also those who butcher them.

**Please pray for the sick and those who've asked for prayer:** Marion, Steve, Daniel, Donna, Justin, Vince, Nita, Barbara, Doug, Alan.

**Please note that, owing to the latest Data Protection guidelines, we are unable to include a person's surname unless they have specifically given their permission.**