

**Welcome** to St Leonard's. If you're here for the first time or visiting, please say hello.

The nave will usually be open for private prayer & reflection on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday mornings, and some Sunday afternoons.

*Please note that this may be subject to change at short notice.*

### THIS SUNDAY'S SERVICES

9:45am **Parish Eucharist**  
(4, 714, 746, 489, 132, 546, St Thomas)  
12:00pm **Baptism of Rhaenyra Hagger**  
1:30pm **Baptism of George Henshaw**  
3:00pm **SYLC in the hall**  
5:30pm **Eucharist for Wholeness & Healing**

### PRAYER DIARY & EVENTS

**SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup>** - we pray for the parishes of Lexden, Stanway & Shrub End.

**MONDAY** – in the Anglican Communion we pray for The Diocese of Algoma: The Anglican Church of Canada.  
8:45am Morning Prayer.

**TUESDAY** - we pray for staff and pupils at Home Farm Primary School.  
8:45am Morning Prayer.

**WEDNESDAY** – in the Colchester Deanery we pray for the Parish of New Town and the Hythe (St Stephen's) Priest in Charge Revd Anna Davis and Curate Revd Belinda Kerins.

9:30am Baby & Toddler Group in the hall.  
10.00am Eucharist followed by coffee.  
10:45am Holy Communion at Woodlands.  
11:00am Baby & Toddler Group in the hall.

**THURSDAY** - we pray for the Methodist Church.  
8:00am Eucharist.

**FRIDAY** - we pray for all who work in our hotel industry.

**SATURDAY** - we pray for the residents of Lexden Mews and Wordsworth Road.  
8:30am Men's Breakfast.

**Services next Sunday**  
**5<sup>th</sup> July – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

8:00am BCP Holy Communion  
9:45am All-Age Parish Eucharist

### NEWS AND EVENTS

**Prayer Ministry** is available at the 9:45am services. If you would like someone to pray with you or for you please go to the Lady Chapel following the service.

**Thank you** to everyone involved in the Summer Fete yesterday, especially to Nick for his organisation. We will let you know how much was raised as soon monies have been counted.

**SLYC is back!** Fun for Year 4 children and above featuring the ever popular Tuck Shop! This afternoon, from 3-5pm in the church hall. Email to let us know that you are coming to: [juniorchurch@stleonardslexden.org](mailto:juniorchurch@stleonardslexden.org)

**Men's Breakfast** takes place next Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup> in the Nicholls Room.

**Garden Afternoon Tea - Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July.** I shall be at the back of the church on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July and again on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July after the 9.45am service selling tickets for the garden party I'm hosting to raise funds for the Church. There will be a menu available for people to see. **Tickets are £15 per person (cash only).** I'll also be selling raffle tickets, plus if anyone would like to donate a raffle prize that will be welcomed! Apologies - Unfortunately I haven't a disabled access into my back garden. **Regards, Liz Adams**

Our 9.45am service is usually live-streamed to include those who are unable to join with us. It is filmed from the balcony, and only the chancel area is visible during broadcast. The camera will be turned away during the giving of communion to avoid members of the congregation being visible. We are happy to provide Communion to you in your pew, just let a steward or warden know.

### Among those for whom we pray are:

Tony Cross, Eileen Moxon, Margaret Cox, Fiona Hunt, Eddie Allston. Margaret Smith, Dick Verrier, Johanne Bresch, Katrina Light, Kim Harding, Jenny and Peter Hazlewood, Frances Bonner, Antonia Loxley, Janice, Kim Kite, Hugh and Mary Beavan, Michael Eavery, Freddie Woolard, Jan Buckley, Shirley Everitt, Stella Llewellyn, Pat Hughes, Holly Donovan, Freda and Ernest Jenkins, Pam Hatherly, Frances Dowson, Joan Collis, and those others known to us.

**Those who have died & those who mourn them: Evelyn Sibley**

## **COLLECT & READINGS (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity)**

### **Collect**

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:

increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Gracious Father,  
by the obedience of Jesus  
you brought salvation to our wayward world:  
draw us into harmony with your will,  
that we may find all things restored in him,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

### **Jeremiah 28.5–9 (Old Testament, p758)**

Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, 'Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfil the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet.'

### **Psalms 89.1–4, 15–18 (Old Testament, p560)**

### **Romans 6.12-end (New Testament p166)**

Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

### **Matthew 10.40-end (New Testament p11)**

'Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.'