

ANNUAL MEETING of PARISHIONERS: SUNDAY 22nd FEBRUARY
Noon, St Leonard's

ELECTORAL ROLL for the AMP is now closed, but remains open to register for any future meetings.

NOMINATIONS FOR PARISH COUNCIL CLOSE TODAY

Elections will be held for:

- **4 parish councillors.** The Bishop will appoint a further **2** councillors.

(1 year term, max of 6 before stepping down for at least 1 year)

[The Wardens and Synod reps are continuing their 3 year terms]

Nominees: Safe Church clearances need to have been completed by today.

VOTING Ballots can be cast **Sunday 15th FEB**, and **Sunday 22nd FEB**

Parish Diary

Twilight Meditation TONIGHT St L 5.30 for 6, St L

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| Feb 15 | Transfiguration Voting opens St L Holy Communion, Revd Sally St G Morning Prayer |
| Feb 18 | Ash Wednesday (service times TBC) |
| Feb 22 | First Sunday in Lent St L – MP or HC TBC St G Morning Prayer Annual Meeting Parishioners, noon, St L |

REGULAR SERVICES & GATHERINGS

Sunday Eucharist/Morning Prayer: St Leonard's **9.30am**; St George's **10am**

Twilight Meditations St Leonard's 2nd Sun 5.30 practice for 6pm

Evening Prayer: St Leonard's last Sunday each month, 6pm, except December

Choir Practice: St Leonard's Saturday 10.30-11, then coffee.

DIRECT GIVING: BSB: 706-001 ACCT: 3000 4673 *Online only*
quote **'Offertory'** in description

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& mail to PO Box 277 Denmark WA 6333

8th February 2026

**Fifth Sunday
after Epiphany**

Year A



Prayers of the Day

Faithful God,
you have appointed us your witnesses,
to be a light that shines in the world:
let us not hide the bright hope you have given us,
but tell everyone your love, revealed in Jesus Christ the Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

APBA

Israel's jealous God, giver of love's law,
in whom there is no blandness,
no dullness of oppression; liberate us
from all that numbs compassion
to find in your commands
light undimmed and flavour unrestrained;
through Jesus Christ, fulfiller of the law.

Amen

Prayers for an Inclusive Church, Stephen Shakespeare, 2008

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St Leonard's: cnr Mitchell & Strickland, Denmark
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Locum Tenens: Revd Sue Lodge-Calvert (p/t Sat-Mon)

Licensed Lay Ministers: Harold Luxton, Alison Kershaw, Sally Prickett,
Jane James, Tom Sheard

Wardens: Tine Adams, Harold Luxton, Tom Sheard

*We endeavour to be an expression of God's love
in the community*

[isaiah 58.1-9a [9b-12]

Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet!
Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins.
Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation
that practised righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;
they ask of me righteous judgements, they delight to draw near to God.
'Why do we fast, but you do not see?
Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?'
Look, you serve your own interest on your fast-day, and oppress all your workers.
Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist.
Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high.
Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a
bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the
Lord? Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke?
Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your
house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own
kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up
quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rearguard.
Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.
[If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you
offer your food to the hungry, and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.
The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your
bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters
never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many
generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.]

Psalm 112

O praise the Lord. Blessed are they fear the Lord:
and greatly delight in his commandments.
Their children shall be mighty in the land: **an upright race who will be blessed.**
Riches and plenty shall be in their house:
and their righteousness shall stand for ever.
Light arises in darkness for the upright:
gracious and merciful are the righteous.
It goes well with those who act generously and lend:
who guide their affairs with justice.
Surely they shall never be moved:
the righteous shall be held in everlasting remembrance.
They will not fear bad tidings: **their hearts are steadfast, trusting in the Lord.**
Their hearts are confident and will not fear:
they will see the downfall of their enemies.

They give freely to the poor: **their righteousness stands for ever,
their head is uplifted in glory.**

The wicked shall see it and be angry: **they shall gnash their teeth
and consume away; and the hope of the wicked shall fail.**

1 Corinthians 2.1-13

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God
to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus
Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling.
My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a
demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom
but on the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of
the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God's wisdom, secret and
hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age
understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it
is written, 'What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God
has prepared for those who love him' —

these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything,
even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the
human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the
Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from
God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. And we speak of these
things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual
things to those who are spiritual.

Matthew 5.13-20

'You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored?
It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. 'You are the
light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts
it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In
the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and
give glory to your Father in heaven. 'Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or
the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfil. For truly I tell you, until heaven and
earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is
accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and
teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever
does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you,
unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter
the kingdom of heaven.

Next: Deuteron. 10.12-22, Ps 119.1-8, 1 Cor 3.1-9, Matt 5.21-26 NRSV