



Welcome to
St Stephen's Church
Elton Bury
 Sunday 2nd October 2022
 Baptism
 of
 Bethan and Daisy

This Week	
<u>Today</u>	
8.30	Holy Communion
10.00	Holy Communion
<u>Next Sunday</u>	
8.30	Holy Communion
10.00	Family Service Harvest Festival
6.00	Evensong

Collect for the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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.

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

In our Prayers

This week we pray for the members of our community who live or work in Newington Drive, Ramsey Grove, Stephen Street South and Warlingham Close.

We pray for the healing and comfort of those who are sick, especially today for Lynne Mullane, Joseph Atwell, Kath Wells, Ian Francis, Rev. Derek French, Gloria Beecraft, and Phylis Le Fevre.

We pray today for all mourn the recent loss of a loved one and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

As part of Churches Together in Bury we pray for our brothers and sisters at Kirklees Valley, especially praying for their Wardens as they seek a new priest.

This Week's Readings

1st	Lamentations 1: 1 - 6	NT page	774
2nd	2 Timothy 1: 1 - 14	NT page	209
Gospel	Luke 17: 5 - 10	NT page	77
Psalm	137	OT page	588

Flower Donations

Altar

Joyce Berry - In memory of Raymond on their wedding anniversary, October 1st

Lady Chapel

Arthur Lamb - In memory of Betty on their wedding anniversary, October 5th

If you would like to celebrate an anniversary or commemorate a loved one by placing flowers on the Altar, Lady Chapel, lectern or Book of Remembrance please speak to a member of the flower team, or contact June Berry on 0161 761 2643.

Follow us on twitter @StStephensElton

The news sheet can be found on our website @
www.ststephenelton.com

Children

There is a creche area at the back of the Lady Chapel on the left for you and your parents to use during our services. We also have a Junior Church for 5 year olds and upwards in the Centenary room during the 10.00am service, when there isn't a family service. There are songs, readings and crafts for all ages.

Please join us in the Centenary Room after the 10.00am service for refreshments and fellowship.



Harvest Donations

We are asking for donations of non-perishable food items and basic hygiene products that can be given to Porch Boxes. Please do not give fresh produce. They support adults, teens, children and babies so please consider what would be suitable for all ages.

Building a Vision for the Future

Please pray and consider how you can play your part in this exciting new chapter of the story of St Stephen's Elton. Your attention is drawn to the notice board at the back of the Lady Chapel setting out information regarding the refurbishment of the Centenary Room. You should have received a pledge form previously, (spare ones are available at the back of the Lady Chapel) and you are asked to prayerfully consider the part you are prepared to play in this exciting project. Thank you.

Annual Bowling Day

Thank you to all who supported the event. The weather was fine and the company grand. Everyone had a great time. The winners were Fred Keeble and Derrick Maskrey, runners up were Debbie Fitton and Ronnie Howarth. We were able to donate £71 to church funds. Anne Broadrick. Special thanks to Anne for organising the event.

Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union open meeting, everyone welcome on Wednesday 5th October 7pm. Speaker on Guide Dogs For The Blind.

Club

The annual renewal letters have now been produced. Please look out for them in church. There are SIX spare numbers available. Please speak to Anne Broadrick if you are interested in joining or want an additional number.

How to Contact Us

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What's on

Today

2.00pm

Children's Panto rehearsal in school.

Wednesday 5th

1.00pm

Midweekers

7.00pm

Mothers' Union

Thursday 6th

7.00pm

Drama Group in school.

Sunday 9th

2.00pm

Children's Panto rehearsal in school.

Diary Dates

Harvest Supper on Friday 7th October at 7pm. There is entertainment by The Dodgers and a Potato Pie Supper (Cheese Pies available please let us know). Tickets from Barbara Ingham or Vicar. All are welcome. Admission is by donation for the Centenary Room Refurbishment Appeal. Please consider gift aiding your donation.

The annual quiz will be on **Saturday 19th November.** Full details nearer the time.

Annual Gift Day

The PCC have chosen Sunday 16th October as the date for our annual Gift Day. This remains an important part of our financial calendar which contributes a considerable amount to enabling us to meet our commitments. In this time of financial pressures on all we ask that you prayerfully consider what you can contribute to this event. Thank you in advance for all that each of you do that ensures we can serve God here in Elton.

Diocesan Annual Income Survey

Each year the diocese asks us to complete an anonymous income survey. All that is required is for each regular attendee aged 16 or over, those who come at least 12 times a year, to tick a box on the sheet that indicates their gross annual income. The sheets, pens and the sealed box are available at the back of church. If you would like to discuss this please speak to a warden. It is important that everyone completes a form even if they earn nothing, in fact, especially if they earn nothing. The more people that complete a form the more accurate is our data and consequently the more accurate is the amount of our Parish Share which is derived from this information. The survey runs from today until Sunday 23rd October.