



Welcome to
St Stephen's Church
Elton Bury

Sunday 13th November 2022
Christ the King
or Stir Up Sunday

This Week

Today

8.30 Holy Communion

10.00 Holy Communion

Next Sunday

8.30 Holy Communion

10.00 Holy Communion

Post Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Collect for Christ the King

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

This Week's Readings

1st	Jeremiah 23: 1 - 6	OT page	736
2nd	Colossians 1: 11 - 20	NT page	197
Gospel	Luke 23: 33 - 43	NT page	85
Psalm	46	OT page	529

In our Prayers

This week we pray for the members of our community who live or work in Birkdale Drive, Elton Brook Close, Harvey Street and Railway Terrace.

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 sister at Tottington Methodist church, especially their Deacon Michelle Brocklehurst.

Flower Donations

Altar

Jane Wilkinson in memory of her mum and dad, Margaret and Les Proctor, on their wedding anniversary, 18th November

Lectern

Margaret Pemberton in memory of Lilian Bentley on her first anniversary, 23rd November

Book of Remembrance

Celia Dutton in memory of her mum, Elsie Jenkins

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.

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.



'Cash for Bury Christians Against Poverty through Newsquest's Cash for Charities 2022 Scheme

Please bring your clippings and give them to Paul to pass on to CAP.

700 Club

We have five spare numbers. Please speak to Anne Broadrick if you are interested in joining. November winners are £25 Jenny Downham (45); £10 Barbara Ingham (16); £5 Joanne Mason (33); £5 Hazel Lomas (27).

Remember, December is the big annual draw with the winner receiving £75, 2nd £15, 3rd £10 and 4th £5, so if you don't have a number now is the time to join.

A Mother's Union project. Can you donate any of the following? Paint brushes, drawing paper, paint, felt tips, crayons or stickers in readiness of the re-opening of the children's play area when they visit their parent at HM Prison Manchester. Donations to Anne Broadrick or Carol Heyes.

Christmas Hampers

To take part put your name on an envelope and only £5 inside. They will be drawn on **Sat. 3rd Dec.** The hampers are really good. Try to enter before the 3rd. Envelopes are on the notice board. Return to Ann S asap. Thanks and good luck.

Christmas Concert with the Square Street Singers - A Tottington Rotary Club fundraising event. Seasonal music concert at St. John's Free Church, Kirklees Street, Tottington on **Friday 16th Dec. at 7.30pm**. Tickets cost £5 to include light refreshment. Please feel free to bring own drinks/tipples/nibbles. Please see Val Eustice if you require tickets.

How to Contact Us

Vicar - Rev. Paul Sanderson

Mob: 07795810016 - Email: paul270159@gmail.com

Reader Emeritus

Celia Dutton Tel: 0161 764 0583

Wardens

Jenny Downham Tel: 07800845999

Gail Champion

What's on

Today
2.00pm Children's Panto rehearsal in school.

Wednesday 23rd
1.00pm Midweekers
7.00pm Games evening

Thursday 24th
7.00pm Drama Group in school.

Saturday 26th
9.30am Decorating church for Christmas.

Diary Dates

Christmas Magic Friday 2nd December, 7.15pm

The drama group are performing an evening of songs, comedy and a Christmas Carol sing along. There will be mince pies and drinks available at the interval. Tickets are £5.00 and are available now.

Christmas Cafe and Mini Market

Saturday 3rd December 10am to 2pm in the Centenary Room. Admission is free. See Ann Sullivan now for the Bumper Christmas Hamper entries. Winners will be drawn at 1.30pm on the day. Anne Broadrick is calling on all bakers to donate cakes to the mini market.

We will be decorating our Christmas tree and getting the church ready for Christmas and giving it a bit of a spruce up at the same time, on **Saturday 26th November from 9.30 till 12.00**. Please come along and lend a hand.

Advent Carol Service

Our Mission Community is having a joint service at St Mary the Virgin, **4.30pm on 27th November**. People from all of our churches are taking part with short readings and talks. Come along and enjoy a great service, with folks from every worshipping community, seeking God's blessing on our Mission Community. There will be refreshments afterwards.

Church Cleaning

We will be cleaning church on Saturday 10th December from 9.30am for Christmas. Many hands make light work.

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

Follow us on twitter @StStephensElton