



Welcome to  
**St Stephen's Church**  
**Elton Bury**  
Sunday 7th May 2023

**God save King**  
**Charles III**

**Alleluia, Christ**  
**is risen.**  
**He is risen**  
**indeed.**  
**Alleluia!**

**This Week**

Today

8.30 Holy Communion

11.00 Holy Communion

Next Sunday

**8.15** Holy Communion  
**at All Saints**

10.00 Parade Service

6.00 Evensong

**Post Communion Prayer**

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Easter**

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever

**Flower Donations**

**Lady Chapel**

David & Susan Gaffney in memory of mum Margaret for 8th May & birthday memories of dad Eddie for 6th May

**Book of Remembrance**

Anne Broadrick in memory of mum Olga Riggs for 5th May

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.

**In our Prayers**

This week we pray for the members of our community who live or work in Longridge Drive, Powell Street, Saxon Close and White Street.

We pray for the healing and comfort of those who are sick, especially today for Joseph Attwell, Ian Francis, Rev. Derek French, Phylis Le Fevre, Steven De Rouwe, Matt Ablett, Alan Sheppard, Roger Broadrick and Rev. Paul Sanderson.

We pray today for all who mourn the recent loss of a loved one and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. We pray especially for Kath Wells, her sister Celia and all her family and friends.

As part of Churches Together in Bury we pray for our brothers and sisters at Bolton Road Methodist Church, especially their priest Rev Kathy Selby.

**This Week's Readings**

1st	Acts 7: 55 - End	NT page	122
2nd	1 Peter 2: 2 - 10	NT page	230
Gospel	John 14: 1 - 14	NT page	105
Psalm	31: 1 - 5, 15 - 16	OT page	517

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





### What's on

Wednesday 10th May  
1.30pm Midweekers  
7.00pm Games Evening

Thursday 11th May  
7.00pm Drama Group in School

Friday 12th May  
6.00pm Children's Drama Group in the Centenary Room

### 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.

### Mothers' Union

Deanery Festival Thursday 11th May at 7.00pm in Bury Parish Church. All welcome.

### Tea & Coffee Rota

Volunteers are needed to join the Sunday Tea Rota. Please see Barbara Ingham if you think you could

Please be aware that Rev. Paul Sanderson is currently of work due to illness. Please direct any enquiries to the Wardens or ministry team. Please pray for his wellbeing and for an early return to health.

### Afternoon Tea at St James

On the first Thursday of each month you are invited to join St James for afternoon tea from 2.00 to 4.00pm. The cost is £5 which includes bingo and a raffle. The next one is on **Thursday 11th May** to avoid the local elections on 4th.

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