



Welcome to
St Stephen's Church
Elton Bury
Sunday 14th May 2023

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

This Week

Today

8.15 Holy Communion
at All Saints

10.00 Parade Service

6.00 Evensong

Thursday 18th

7.30pm Ascension Day
at St. James

Next Sunday

8.30 Holy Communion

10.00 Holy Communion

Collect for the Sixth Sunday of Easter

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

This Week's Readings

1st	Acts 17: 22 - 31	NT page	134
2nd	1 Peter 3: 13 - end	NT page	231
Gospel	John 14: 15 - 21	NT page	105
Psalm	66: 7 - end	OT page	539

In our Prayers

This week we pray for the members of our community who live or work in Kensington Drive, Melrose Avenue, Victoria Street and Barton Close.

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 Brandleholme Methodist Church, especially their Deacon Michelle Brocklehurst.

Flower Donations

Lectern

Margaret Pemberton in memory of dear sister Joan Bentley

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.





What's on

Wednesday 17th May
 1.30pm Midweekers - Pointless
 7.30pm PCC

Thursday 18th May
 7.00pm Drama Group in School

Friday 19th May
 6.00pm Children's Drama Group in the Centenary Room

Coronation Lunch

A big thank you to all of you who contributed to a wonderful meal. A very special thank you to Maureen and Jenny for organising and running the event. Their were many helpers but you sorted us all out. Thank you.

Rev. Paul Sanderson is slowly returning to work after illness. He is making a phased return so will not be fully available until w/c 28th May. Please direct any enquiries to the Wardens or ministry team. Please pray for his wellbeing and for him as he returns to full fitness.

Summer Events Dates for your diary

June - date TBA - Treasure Hunt

July
 Friday 7th July
 7.15pm Summer Cabaret by the drama group
 Full details to follow

July - date TBA - Croquet at Whitehead Park

August - date TBA - Garden Party

Tea & Coffee Rota

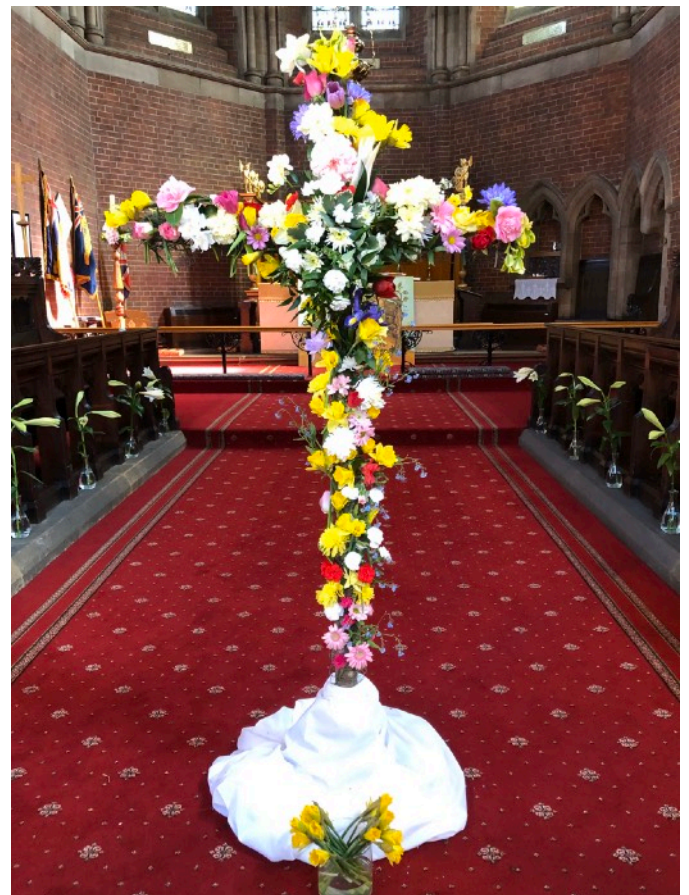
Volunteers are needed to join the Sunday Tea Rota. Please see Barbara Ingham if you think you could help.

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