



Welcome to
St Stephen's Church
Elton Bury
 Sunday 13th August
 2023

This Week

Today

8.30 Holy Communion

10.00 Family Service

6.00 Choral Evensong

Next Sunday

8.30 Holy Communion

10.00 Holy Communion

Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Collect for the Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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.

This Week's Readings

1st	Genesis 37: 1-4, 12-28	OT page	34
2nd	Romans 10: 5 - 15	NT page	156
Gospel	Matthew 14: 22 - 33	NT page	15
Psalm	105: 1 - 10	OT page	567

Flower Donations

Book of Remembrance

Carol Heyes, in loving memory of Bob Heyes for 18th August.

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 Adlington Close, Dearden Street, Grange Road and Kingston 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, Roger Broadrick, Elma Hoyle and Layla Ryan.

We pray today for all who 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 St Marie RC, especially their priest Father William Foley.

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

Monday 14th August
Hospice Fundraiser at All Saints Kirklees Valley on
Hebburn Drive.

Wednesday 9th August
1.30pm Midweekers

Rev Marcus Bulcock

Rev Marcus Bulcock has been ordained for 20 years this year. There is going to be a service marking this milestone at St. Anne's Turton on Sunday 24th September 11.00a.m. The service will be followed by an informal lunch. Everyone at St. Stephen's is invited to come along. For catering purposes please can you let me know if you are attending by emailing me before the **13th of August**.

Karen Bulcock - kemamb29@gmail.com

Croquet Afternoon

Once again the weather was kind to us, the raffle raised £141.00 for church funds. Thank you to the ladies who helped make the cakes and also to Celia and Ann who helped on the day. Janet & John

Gift Day

A huge thank you to all who contributed to our Gift Day. You raised a total of £1840.00 to support the on going work of our church.

Memorial Book

After many months of inactivity we have finally been able to bring our memorial book up to date. Our thanks go to Ann Sullivan for her excellent work.

Bury Hospice Fundraiser at All Saints

I imagine that each one of us at sometime, has known and loved someone who has been in or used the facilities at a hospice. This event will be the Ladies Club major fundraising event this year and we hope to be able to raise lots of money for Bury Hospice. Please try and come along on **Monday 14th August between 2 and 4 pm** to help us raise funds. All are welcome. Admission will be £5, which will include tea/coffee and cake, plus a raffle ticket. Additional raffle tickets will be on sale and there will be a tombola and book stall during the event. Raffle tickets will also be on sale after the 8.15 and 9.30 services at All Saints on 6th and 13th August. Thank you all in anticipation of your support.
Lynne

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew - *Glory to you O Lord.*

Matthew 14: 22 - 33

22 Then he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. 23 And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, 24 but the boat by this time was many furlongs distant from the land, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against them. 25 And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. 26 But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. 27 But immediately he spoke to them, saying, "Take heart, it is I; have no fear." 28 And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water." 29 He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; 30 but when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." 31 Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" 32 And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. 33 And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

This is the gospel of the Lord - *Praise to you O Christ.*

Summer Events

Dates for your diary

August 26th - Garden Party - watch out for details

Saturday 19th Mission Community Pilgrimage part 1

September

Saturday 9th Mission Community Pilgrimage part 2

Saturday 16th Bowling Day at the Rose'n Bowl. Please put your name on the list in the Centenary Room. A deposit of £5 towards the meal can be given to Heather or Anne.

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