



Welcome to  
**St Stephen's Church**  
**Elton Bury**  
Sunday 14th July  
2024

**This Week**

Today

- 8.30 Holy Communion  
Rev Sam Eccleston
- 10.00 Family Service  
Rev Shirley Harrison
- 6.00 Evensong

Next Sunday

- 8.30 Holy Communion  
Rev Sam Eccleston
- 10.00 Holy Communion  
Rev Ian McVeety

**Post Communion Prayer**

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns now and forever.

**Collect for the Seventh Sunday after Trinity**

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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	2 Samuel 6: 1-5, 12b-19	OT page 289
2nd	Ephesians 1: 3 - 14	NT page 189
Gospel	Luke 10: 25 - 37	NT page 68
Psalm	24	OT page 513

**In our Prayers**

This week we pray for the members of our community who live or work in Arthur Street, Dalton Street, Hulbert Street and Sutton Close.

We pray for the healing and comfort of those who are ill whether in mind body or spirit.

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

As part of Churches Together in Bury we pray for our brothers and sisters at the Salvation Army Bury, especially Cor Van den Woulde and Angelique.

**Flower Donations**

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

Today  
2.00pm Panto sign up for Children at School

Monday 15th July  
2.00pm Craft group in the Centenary Room

Wednesday 17th  
1.30pm Midweekers - Games  
7.30pm PCC Meeting

Thursday 18th  
7.00pm Drama Group in the Centenary Room

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

Saturday 20th  
1.00pm Croquet at Whitehead Park

### Luke 10: 25 - 37

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

**25** Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" **26** He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" **27** He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself." **28** And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." **29** But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbour?" **30** Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. **31** Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. **32** So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. **33** But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. **34** He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. **35** The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." **36** Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" **37** He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

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

### Croquet

Saturday 20th July in Whitehead Park at 1.00pm. Tickets £6.00. There will be refreshments and a raffle.

### Ephesians 1: 3 - 14

**3** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, **4** just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. **5** He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, **6** to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. **7** In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace **8** that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight **9** he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, **10** as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. **11** In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, **12** so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. **13** In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; **14** this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

*This is the word of the Lord - **Thanks be to God.***

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