



Welcome to  
**St Stephen's Church**  
**Elton Bury**  
Sunday 31st May 2026

<b>This Week</b>	
<u>Today</u>	
9.00	Holy Communion with Junior Church
<u>Next Sunday</u>	
9.00	Holy Communion with Junior Church

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever.

#### **Collect for Trinity Sunday**

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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	Isaiah 40: 12-17, 27-end	NT page	678
2nd	2 Corinthians 13: 11 - end	NT page	183
Gospel	Matthew 28: 26 - end	NT page	32
Psalm	8	OT page	503

#### **In our Prayers**

This week we pray for the members of our community who live or work in Edgeworth Drive, Mile Lane, Stephen Street and Wellington Street.

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 those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

As part of Churches Together in Bury we pray for our brothers and sisters at Bury Christian Fellowship, especially Rod Fairbrother.

#### **Flower Donations**

##### **Altar**

Janet and Arnold Taylor in celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary on June 5th.

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

Gluten free host (communion wafers) are available. If you require one please let the Sidespersons or warden know.

#### **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. There is a Junior Church for 5 year olds and upwards in the Centenary room during the 9.00am service, on most Sundays. There will be songs, readings and crafts for all ages. Speak to Leanne or Carol for more details.

Please join us in the Centenary Room after the 9.00am service for refreshments and fellowship.



**Fire Notice - In the event of fire go through the marked fire exit doors and assemble on Stephen Close.**

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

**Matthew 28: 16 - end**

**16** Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. **17** When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. **18** And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. **19** Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **20** and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

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

**Isaiah 40: 12 - 17, 27 - end**

**12** Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? **13** Who has directed the spirit of the Lord, or as his counsellor has instructed him? **14** Whom did he consult for his enlightenment, and who taught him the path of justice? Who taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding? **15** Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as dust on the scales; see, he takes up the isles like fine dust. **16** Lebanon would not provide fuel enough, nor are its animals enough for a burnt offering. **17** All the nations are as nothing before him; they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness. **27** Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"? **28** Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. **29** He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. **30** Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; **31** but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

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

### **How to Contact Us**

**Vicar - Rev Sam Eccleston**

[brsecclestonop@gmail.com](mailto:brsecclestonop@gmail.com) - 07851 121800

**Warden - Carol Heyes - Tel: 07354902873**

Email: [ststephenelton@gmail.com](mailto:ststephenelton@gmail.com)

### **What's on**

Monday 1st June

2.00pm Craft Group

7.00pm Study Group

Wednesday 3rd

1.30pm Midweekers

7.00pm Mothers' Union

Thursday 4th

7.00pm Drama Group

Friday 5th

6.00pm Junior Drama Group

### **Ellise O'Hara**

Ellise will be ordained at Manchester Cathedral on 27th June. On Sunday 28th she will conduct her first Eucharist at St James Woolfold at 11.00am. Please come and join her to celebrate this wonderful occasion. In order to accommodate this the service here will be Morning Prayer at 9.00am. Let's fill the church and make it standing room only.

**100** club The winners for May are £25 - Ashleigh Rollings (89), £10 - Brian Rigg (68), £5 - Sheila Fish (96), £5 - Roger Broadrick (54).

**Mothers' Union 7pm 3rd June** in the centenary room. Come and enjoy Revd. Paul Sanderson speaking on the Cotswold Way. A tale of hot blood, hot water, cold war, neolithic remains, regicide, civil war, monks, Romans, Oliver Cromwell, cheese and his grandad. Open meeting everyone welcome.



News sheet deadline - please send all your news items to Tony Parsons by 7.00pm each Thursday.  
Email [tony.parsons67@gmail.com](mailto:tony.parsons67@gmail.com)