

Time to reflect

I love the film “Whisky Galore”. It’s gentle depiction of the Scottish Island communities, divided by denomination, united by a devotion to a drop of whisky, scandalised by an over-the-top application of the law, is rather wonderful. Part of the jeopardy of the film lies in the danger of the S.S. Cabinet Minister sinking before the whisky can be “rescued” and of how the stern requirements of Sabbath observance weighed heavily on the devote but thirsty islanders. When I first saw it, I was amazed at the austerity of the Sabbatarian tradition. 1970s Britain was itself pretty buttoned up regarding what you could and could not do on a Sunday but the film offered a portrayal of biblical literalism that was deeply novel and challenging.

I wonder how we observe the third commandment? Do we avoid shopping (or rescuing Whisky)? The “Keep Sunday Special” campaign now argue not for keeping Sunday special as a “holy day” but as a necessary rest for those caught up in service industries (catering, food outlets, shops). And, in doing that, they have rightly understood this commandment to be understood in economic and human terms just as much as religious ones. It seeks to answer the question “Who are we who worship God?” It says that the Israelites are people who experienced a very different past (slavery) to their present economic prosperity. The third commandment tells us that worship of God connects us to the real world, to our neighbours and their circumstances. How can we embrace this commandment and make it real for ourselves today?

Worship and Activities this week

Today	5.00pm	Office Hour
	6.30pm	Evensong
Mon	9.30am	Morning Prayer
	1.00pm	“In-house” @ House on t’ Rock
	7.30pm	Youth Group @Church Hall
Tues	7.15pm	Holy Communion followed by the MU meeting @ Kay Room
Wed	11.00am	Holy Communion
	7.00pm	Study Group @ Ashton Room
Thurs	9.30am	Morning Prayer
	10.30am	Tiddlers @ Church House
	12.45pm	Holy Communion
Fri	9.30am	Morning Prayer
	12.30pm	Lunchtime Concert by Lux String Quartet
	4.00pm	Choir School
	7.00pm	Full Choir Practice
Sat	9.30am	Morning Prayer
	12.30pm	Wedding : Helen Potts & Christopher Kendall
	2.30pm	Wedding Blessing: Gregory Walsh & Luisa Baeza

Next Week: 2nd Sun after Trinity 10th June

8.00am	Said Holy Communion
10.00am	Parade Eucharist & Thanksgiving (No Sunday School)
12.00pm	Parish Lunch
4.00pm	Christening Preparation
5.00pm	Office Hour
6.30pm	Evensong

Baptisms, Blessings, Weddings.

Speak to any of the clergy after the service. They will be at the back of church. Spot the dog collar! Our monthly Parish Magazine has a full list of contact details for clergy and organisations on the inside of the back page. For inclusion on the weekly pew sheet: please email: bpc.office@tiscali.co.uk by Wednesday please.

Bury Parish Church

First Sunday after Trinity
www.buryparishchurch.com

3rd June 2018

We welcome you and hope you enjoy being with us. If you’re not familiar with our services, don’t worry. We follow a written order of service and at times will tell you which page we’re on.

We also welcome children in church. If your child gets restive in church, don’t be afraid to get up and move around if this helps. There is a toilet at the back of church. There is a children’s area at the back of Church.

8.00am Said Holy Communion
President: Rhiannon Jones, Assoc Rtr

10.00am Parish Eucharist
President: Julian Heaton, Rector
Preaching: Julian Heaton, Rector
Hymns: 9; 460; 619; 205; 418
Motets:

Adrian Batten : O praise the Lord
Percy Whitlock : Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face

6.30pm Evensong
Minister: Julian Heaton, Rector
Preaching: Ian McVeety, Hon Assist’t
Hymns: 449; 504; 277
Psalm: 35. 1—10 (pg. 402—403)
Jeremiah 5. 1—19 (pgs. 538, 539)
Luke 7 1-10 (pg. *****)

Canticles:
William Byrd : Second Service
Anthem: Orlando Gibbons :
Great Lord of Lords

Cornerstone

We seek to serve Bury by deepening our faith, serving the marginalised, working with our neighbours, sharing the Good News of Jesus.

Today's Readings

The Collect

God of truth,
help us to keep your law of love
and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son. **Amen**

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

(Deuteronomy 5. 12 – 15)

The Lord says this: 'Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. For six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark *(Mark 2. 23 – 3.6)*

Glory to You, O Lord

One sabbath Jesus was going through the cornfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions

were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath." Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, O Christ

Parish Lunch



Sunday, 10th June at 12.00 noon in the Blackburne Hall. Tickets at £4.00 available from the Church wardens or Keith Sedman

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Dates for Diary

10th June 4.00pm Baptism Preparation
17th June 8.40am Adult Sunday School & breakfast @ Church Hall

Food Bank Donations

"What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill', and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead."



James 2.14-17

If you could bring just one item (tinned food/ toiletry), weekly, to church for the food bank and put it in the "Bin" in the entrance that would be amazing, holy and an act of true faith.

A Prayer for the Exam Season

Jesus,
keep reminding me
of the bigger picture over the next few weeks,
keep me in your hands
when all other hands disappear,
for I am convinced
that neither entry requirements nor exam results,
neither anticipation nor doubts,
neither success nor failure, nor any expectations,
neither last minute fears nor anxieties,
nor anything else in life, will be able to separate us from the love of God
that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Please, don't let me forget it! Amen