

Mission Action Plan

'Church for a Different World' is the strap line of our Diocese. The thinking is that our inherited patterns of Church life needs to reflect the world in which we now live. Whatever we think that 'Church' means, for most people in our country the word refers to the building. What this means is that church buildings, if they are to speak to the world today, need to offer opportunities for people to encounter the things we hold precious and sacred in an as easier way as possible.

Here are the words the diocese would like all churches to think about when it comes to our church buildings; *They should be the centre of our communities, vibrant places providing a range of services for all. We should constantly challenge ourselves to improve our church buildings to create spaces that can adapt to changing worship styles, articulate our mission, welcome people and meet the needs of the community.*

I wonder where we are in this conversation? The fact that Bury Parish is open almost daily is a fantastic asset. That does mean that people can come in, can find refreshment for the body in the café, for the soul in church and for the heart in the sheer beauty of the building. That is great.

The diocesan challenge, however, invites us to think beyond what has been achieved. How suited are we to explore additional different worship? Do visitors immediately know what our mission is (do we)? Is our welcome generous, joyful and inclusive? How geared are we, with our various buildings (not just church) to respond to the needs of our community?

Worship and Activities this week

Today	8.40am Adult Sunday School @ Robert Peel
	12.30pm Baptism of Nevaeh-Effy Passman
	5.00pm Office Hour
	6.30pm Evensong
Mon	9.30am Morning Prayer
	1.00pm "In-house" @ House on t'Rock
Tues	7.00pm TBC Leaders @ The Victoria
Wed	11.00am Holy Communion
	12.00pm MAP Meeting @ Liz Dyson's
Thurs	9.30am Morning Prayer
	10.30am Tiddlers @ Church House
	12.45pm Holy Communion
	7.30pm Worship C'ttee
Fri	9.30am Morning Prayer
	Next Week: 13th Sun after Trinity: 26th August
	8.00am Said Holy Communion
	10.00am Parish Eucharist and Sunday School followed by refreshment
	5.00pm Office Hour
	6.30pm Evensong

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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.*

12th Sunday after Trinity

19th August 2018

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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 with Thanksgiving and Sunday School
President: Rhiannon Jones, Assoc Rtr
Preaching : Rhiannon Jones, Assoc Rtr
Hymns: 290; 313; 309; 322; 277
Motets:

Edward Elgar : Ave Verum
Peter Nardone :
I give to you a new commandment

6.30pm Evensong
Minister : Julian Heaton, Rector
Preaching : Julian Heaton, Rector
Hymns: 403 (T.22); 604; 368
Psalm: 100 (pg. 473)
Exodus 2. 23—3. 10 (pg. 47)
Hebrews 13. 1-15 (pg. 1012)
Canticles:
William Harris in A
Anthem: Henry Purcell :
Rejoice in the Lord alway

Cornerstone

Serving Bury, deepening our faith, caring for the marginalised, sharing the Good News of Jesus.

Today's Readings

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray
and to give more than either we desire or deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,
forgiving us those things
of which our conscience is afraid
and giving us those good things
which we are not worthy to ask
but through the merits and mediation
of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen.**

A reading from the Book of Proverbs

(Proverbs 9. 1-6)

Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars. She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town, "You that are simple, turn in here!" To those without sense she says, "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John *(John 6.51-58)*

Glory to You, O Lord

Jesus said to the crowd, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day;

for my flesh is true food
and my blood is true
drink. Those who eat my
flesh and drink my blood
abide in me, and I live
in them. Just as the living
Father sent me, and I live
because of the Father, so
whoever eats me will live
because of me. This is the
bread that came down
from heaven, not like that
which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one
who eats this bread will live forever."

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, O Christ



Community Meet and Greet

Sunday 19 August
7pm—10pm

Food and Entertainment
St John's with St Mar's Church Hall
Parkinson St, Bury, BL9 6NY
Free Entry

An event for local community to meet
people from people of different
backgrounds with some music and food.

Pastoral Care Meeting and MAP

12 noon on Wednesday 22nd August

Pastoral Meeting at Liz Dyson's home.

Light refreshments will be on hand.

Please let Liz or Sheila Beattie know if you would like to attend.

Thanksgiving for the Gift of a Child

What name have you given this child?

A parent or supporting friend replies
His/her name is N.

We pray for the child(ren)

**May they learn to love all that is true,
grow in wisdom and strength
and, in due time,
come through faith and baptism
to the fullness of your grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

May God the Father of all bless *these parents*
and give *them* grace to love
and care for *their children*.

May God give *them* wisdom, patience and faith,
help *them* to provide for the *children's* needs
and, by their example, reveal the love and truth
that are in Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

We share the Stories of Jesus

Receive this Gospel.

Hear God's word with us.

Learn and tell its stories.

Rejoice in its good news.

Discover its mysteries.

Honour its commandments.

May God's life-giving word
be sweeter to you than honey
and lead you in the Way of Christ.