

Mission Action Plan

I am a member of the National Trust and, like many Trust members, enjoy visiting not just stately homes but more modest and, therefore, perhaps more recognisable houses on a more domestic scale. The Trust work hard to fill houses with appropriate furniture and decorations. There's a splendid example of back-to-back houses in Birmingham where each room echoes a different period.

It used to be, back when people invited me to visit their homes, I would see lots of books and newspapers. People wanted to take responsibility for nurturing their minds. Now that is much rarer. We seem to have lost our thirst for learning and would rather consume the narrow form of entertainment that TV and Netflix offer. In the future, National Trust houses will be full of electrical goods and little else.

This lack of desire of learning includes wanting to learn about the faith. It raises deep questions for the local church, for ministry and for mission. Is life-long learning about the Christian life only something for enthusiasts, the socially inept and clergy? Or should our own diaries bear testimony to the seriousness we give to nurturing our faith? Are we "**ready (and able) to speak up and tell anyone who asks why you're living the way you are**" as Peter writes (1 Pet 3.15),

Ironically electronic technology offers a partial solution. Our website (www.buryparishchurch.com) has links to thoughtful discussions of the faith. Each week we send out an ebulletin which has a short video to watch. And, for those who like to talk faith, God, Jesus, bible, Church, life, our Wednesday Study Group and Adult Sunday School offer opportunity to share wisdom. Let's commit to be a learning Church.

Worship and Activities this week

Today	4.00pm Baptism Preparation Class 5.00pm Office Hour 6.30pm Evensong
Mon	9.30am Morning Prayer 10.30am Funeral of Neal Smythe 1.00pm "In-house" @ House on t'Rock 7.30pm PCC Meeting @ Ashton Room
Tues	7.00pm Poppy Making @ Ashton Room 7.15pm Holy Communion followed by the MU meeting @ Kay Room
Wed	11.00am Holy Communion 2.00pm Poppy Making @ Ashton Room 7.00pm Study Group @ Ashton Room 7.00pm Finance Meeting @ Kay Room
Thurs	9.30am Morning Prayer 10.30am Tiddlers @ Church House 12.45pm Holy Communion 7.30pm Book Group @ Rectory
Fri	9.00am Holy Communion 9.30am Morning Prayer 12.30pm Concert with Olga Paily (piano)
Sat	9.30am Morning Prayer

Next Week: 15th Sun after Trinity:

9th September

8.00am Said Holy Communion
8.45am Breakfast in aid of Read and talk on The Children's Society
10.00am Parish Eucharist and Parade with Thanksgiving <i>followed by refreshment</i>
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.

14th Sunday after Trinity

2nd September 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: Julian Heaton, Rector
Preaching : Julian Heaton, Rector

10.00am Parish Eucharist and Sunday School
President: Julian Heaton, Rector
Preaching : Julian Heaton, Rector
Hymns: 253; 460; 331; 391; 442
Motets: **Richard Shephard** :
A new commandment
William Byrd : Teach me, O Lord

6.30pm Evensong
Minister : Julian Heaton, Rector
Preaching : Sheila Beattie, Curate
Hymns: 534; 391; 559
Psalm: 119. 1—16 (pg. 500—501)
Exodus 12. 21-27 (pg. 56)
Matthew 4. 23—5.20 (pg. 784—785)
Canticles: Arthur Mann / Ivor Keys
Anthem: William Mathias :
Lift up your heads

Cornerstone

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

Today's Readings

The Collect

Almighty God,
whose only Son has opened for us
a new and living way into your presence:
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills
to worship you in spirit and in truth;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen.**

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy

(Deuteronomy 4. 1-2, 6-9)

Moses spoke to the people; he said: So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

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Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark *(Mark 7. 1-8, 14, 15, 21-23)*

Glory to You, O Lord


When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition." Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile." For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, O Christ

Poppy-Making

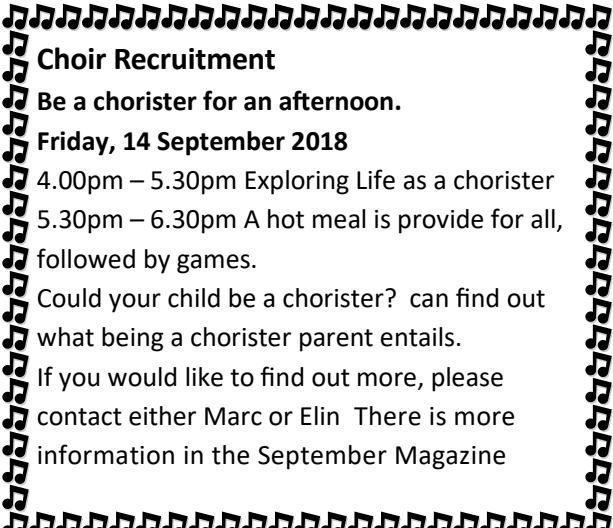
We are gearing up for the Centenary of the Armistice of WW1 this autumn. As part of this, we need lots and lots of poppies like we had in 2014. If you could help us, there are two groups meeting in the Ashton Room;
Tuesdays at 7pm and Wednesdays at 2pm.
Do come along. Your help will be really welcome. If you would like to help but cannot make one of these meetings, please see Liz Dyson.

		Breakfast and Adult Sunday School In aid of Read Charity
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Sunday, 9th September at 8.45am

Tickets at £2.00

During breakfast, Joanne Nicholson from The Children's Society, will introduce us to the work of the Children's Society. Joanne will then be our speaker in the 10.00am Parade Service.

 <p>Choir Recruitment Be a chorister for an afternoon. Friday, 14 September 2018 4.00pm – 5.30pm Exploring Life as a chorister 5.30pm – 6.30pm A hot meal is provide for all, followed by games. Could your child be a chorister? can find out what being a chorister parent entails. If you would like to find out more, please contact either Marc or Elin There is more information in the September Magazine</p>
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