

Time to Reflect

Mark sets the scene for the beginning Jesus' ministry in a very particular way. He briefly tells the baptism of Jesus by his cousin John, blink and you miss the 40 days in the wilderness story we are used to hearing and then, bang, we're off. And we're off to a dark start; "After John was arrested".

As we approach the end of the Church's year, it's a bit odd reading this now. You would have thought that telling the story of the call of the disciples might make better sense at the beginning of the year, perhaps after Advent and Christmas. By this point, the lectionary (the selection of readings) has veered into thoughts of the saints and heaven and so on. It seems strange to hear the beginning of vocation.

Mark, though, is a skilful writer. We read his gospel and skim over bits which are worth pausing over. And our opening line today is one such place. In a few words, Mark flags up to us the flip side of being called by Jesus. He warns us that to pick up the baton, to accept the call, is to recognise that following Jesus is truly a bed of roses; sweet smelling, with a deep sense of beauty and, at the same time, awkward, sharp, prickly and blood may be drawn. What happened to Joh, what happened to Jesus, may happen to any who follow Jesus.

In the news, if you pay attention, you can see that this is read for Christians today; Asia Bibi and the whole Christian community in Pakistan (the Diocese of Manchester is linked to the Diocese of Lahore), Christians in Turkey and Iran and India. May our support for Ghassan and Siham (see over) encourage them (and us) in following Jesus today.

Worship and Activities this week

Today	8.40am	Parish Breakfast in Church Hall
	11.45am	Civic Remembrance Service
	1.00pm	Bard Company (<i>see Magazine</i>)
	2.30pm	Church Bell ringing
	5.00pm	Office Hour
	6.30pm	Evensong
Mon	1.00pm	"In-house" @ House on t'Rock
	7.30pm	PCC Meeting @ Ashton Room
	7.30pm	Youth Central @ Church Hall
Tues	7.30pm	Open the Book @ Kay Room
Wed	11.00am	Holy Communion
	7.00pm	Study Group @ Ashton Room The Common Good—week 4
Thurs	9.30am	Morning Prayer
	10.00am	Tiddlers @ Church House
	12.45pm	Holy Communion
Fri	8.00am	Dust Busters
	9.30am	Morning Prayer
	12.30pm	Lunchtime concert with Anna Rosa Mar (flute) and Eira Lynn Jones (harp)
	4.00pm	Junior Choir
	7.00pm	Full Choir Practice
Sat	9.30am	Morning Prayer
	7.30pm	Bury Hospice Concert

Next Week: 2nd Sunday bfr Advent 18th November

8.00am	Said Holy Communion
8.40am	Adult Sunday School in the Robert Peel
10.00am	Parish Eucharist and Sunday School
4.00pm	Baptism Preparation
5.00pm	Office Hour
6.30pm	Choral Evensong

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Remembrance Sunday
11th November 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
Preaching : Rhiannon Jones, Assoc Rtr

10.00am Parish Eucharist and Sunday School

President: Julian Heaton, Rector
Preaching : Ian McVeety, Hon Assist't
Hymns: 590; 233; 411; 299
Motet:

Henry Purcell :

Thou knowest Lord

George Guest : For the fallen

6.30pm Evensong

Minister : Julian Heaton, Rector
Preaching : Julian Heaton, Rector
Hymns: 33; 625; 540 (omit*)
Psalm: 46 (pg. 403)
Isaiah 10.33—11.9 (pg. 549—550)
John 14.1-29 (pg. 893)
Anthem: **John Ireland :**
Greater Love

Cornerstone

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

Today's Readings

The Collect

Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the King of all:
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,
and bring the families of the nations,
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reading from the book of Jonah (Jonah 3. 1-5, 10)

The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (Mark 1:14-20)

Glory to you, O Lord

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The



time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea - for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, O Christ

Concert in aid of Bury Hospice

Saturday, 17th November at 7.30pm

Programme includes Faure's Requiem, A Shropshire Lad and a



Advent 2018 - Making Room

Advent discussion group meets on Wednesday evenings from 7.00pm to 8.30pm, beginning on 28th November with the last meeting on 19th December

BPC e-bulletin

Each week we send out an electronic e-bulletin, with news and often a short video. If you would like to receive it and presently don't, please email Julian on julian.heaton_1@outlook.com with the subject heading "MailChimp". Thanks.

Open the Book

You are warmly invited to come to see a dramatised story performed by the Holcombe Brook Open the Book team, on **Tuesday 13th November 2018 at 7.30pm in the Kay room**. This is for anyone who is in any way interested in Open the Book. We want to get a Bury group going to take Bible stories into our Primary Schools.



Please come even if you cannot commit to being a regular story teller. We will need supporters to help with props, costumes and other support roles. Participants don't need to be actors, people are needed to hold up scenery and wave props, as well as speak and mime. The evening will include a light supper and drinks. Please RSVP to jackieheatonsale@gmail.com or phone 764 2452

Falafels and More

Huge thanks to those who came and read the bible and supported/sponsored Ghassan and Siham, the Christian family from Syria, refugees to this country but settled in Bury, who are establishing a market stall. Stall now open. Go and have a try!



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.