

# Time to Reflect

*“Functionally speaking, most mainline Christians are Unitarian in spirit, if not theology. Although we recite the creeds from time to time, the doctrine of the Trinity is vague, confusing, and for the most part irrelevant in most congregants’ experience. Mainline Christians tend to focus on God as a whole, creator and parent of all things, and Jesus, the way-show-er, immanent in our world.” (Bruce Epperly; the Adventurous Lectionary 13 May 2016)*

I wonder whether that’s true for you, supposing you give any thought at all to God? That you think about God as creator and Jesus as “example” and then stop? That the Trinity is simply too complicated and different and only for clever people?

We sing hymns about the Trinity; “Holy, holy, holy” (obviously), “Thou, whose almighty word”, “I bind unto myself today” and so on. We expect a Trinitarian blessing at the end of the Eucharist. We say the Creed and the Grace. And then what? What do we believe? How does/could this idea, this “theology”, make any difference to me, to us, to our world? Just what does our collect today even mean?

So, a thought; Unity and diversity. God calls us to be one, as he is one; one body, one faith, one church. And God, three persons, calls us in our rich diversity of race, language, age, gender. God calls us to work with and for those who are different, who have different hopes and experiences, politics and economics, to reflect his own richness and complexity. That, it seems to me, turns “theology” into ethics, ideas into action, thought into deeds.

## Worship and Activities this week

Sun	8.45am	Adult Sunday School @ Robert Peel
	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist</b>
	5.00pm	Office Hour
	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Choral Evensong</b>
Mon	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
	1.00pm	“In-house” @ House on t’Rock
	7.30pm	Christian Moslem Faith Forum @ Khizra Mosque, Parker Street, Bury
Tues	9.30am	Bury Church of England High School Commemoration Service
Wed	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
	7.00pm	Study Group @ Ashton Room
Thurs	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
	10.00am	Tiddlers @ Church House
	<b>12.45pm</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Corpus Christi Eucharist</b>
Fri	8.00am	Dustbusters
	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>
	12.30pm	Lunchtime Concert : Jason Taing (piano)
	4.00pm	Junior Choir Practice
	7.00pm	Full Choir Practice
Sat	9.00am	Parish Running Group
	2.30pm	Ordination of Sheila Beattie (Manchester Cathrail)

## Next Week : 1st Sunday after Trinity 23rd June 2019

<b>8.00am</b>	<b>Said Holy Communion</b>
<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist.</b>
	<b>The Revd. Dr Sheila Beattie’s first celebration of the Eucharist</b>
	Jacob’s Feast in Blackburne Hall
5.00pm	Office Hour
<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Evensong</b>

## Trinity Sunday

16th June 2019

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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 **Hearing Loop** for those who would value it.



### 8.00am Said Holy Communion

*Trinity Sunday (Pg. 153)*

President: Rhiannon Jones, Assoc R’tr  
Preaching : Rhiannon Jones, Assoc R’tr

### 10.00am Parish Eucharist, and Sunday School

President: Julian Heaton, Rector  
Preaching : Julian Heaton, Rector  
Hymns : 202, 183, 466, 205, 392

### Anthem :

Pietro Tchaikovsky : Holy, Holy, Holy

### 6.30pm Choral Evensong

Minister : Julian Heaton, Rector  
Preaching Sheila Beattie, Curate  
**Hymns:** 202, 421, 205  
Psalm 73. 1-3, 16-end (Pg.436)  
Exodus 3. 1-15 (Pg. 47)  
John 3. 1-17 (pg. 878))  
Canticles :

Charles V Stanford in B-flat

**Anthem :** Edward Elgar :

The Spirit of the Lord

# 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 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. **Amen**

### A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

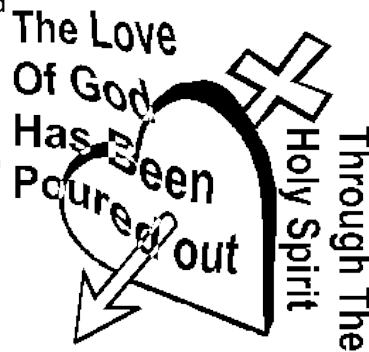
(Romans 5.1-5)

Since we are justified  
by faith, we have  
peace with God  
through our Lord  
Jesus Christ, through  
whom we have  
obtained access to  
this grace in which  
we stand; and we  
boast in our hope of

sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we  
also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering  
produces endurance, and endurance produces  
character, and character produces hope, and hope  
does not disappoint us, because God's love has been  
poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that  
has been given to us.

*This is the word of the Lord*

**Thanks be to God**



Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to  
John (*John 16.12-15*)

### Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus said to his disciples: "I still have many things to  
say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When  
the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all  
the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will  
speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you  
the things that are to come. He will glorify me,  
because he will take what is mine and declare it to  
you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I  
said that he will take what is mine and declare it to  
you.

*This is the Gospel of the Lord*

**Praise to you, O Christ**

## Breakthrough



**Bury's Vue cinema: Thurs 27th June@ 1pm**

is showing an excellent Christian film  
BREAKTHROUGH (12A) for a one-off Senior (aged  
60+) . For trailer and details see  
[www.breakthroughtickets.co.uk](http://www.breakthroughtickets.co.uk)

### **Baptisms & Weddings.**

Speak to any of the clergy after the service. 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](mailto:bpc.office@tiscali.co.uk) by *Wednesday*.

**23rd June 2019**

## Revd. Dr Sheila Beattie

Sheila, our Curate, is to be ordained priest by Bishop  
David on 22 June at Manchester Cathedral.

Sheila will preside at the Eucharist for the first time  
at St Mary the Virgin, Bury, at **10.30am on Sunday  
23rd June**. This will be followed by a "Jacob's Feast"  
Bring and Share lunch in the Blackburne Hall.

**Bring food. Stay. Eat. Drink. Talk to old friends and  
make new friends. Let's enjoy this great day.**

## Food Bank Donations

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.

## Can you help?

An important part of our Liturgy of the Eucharist is  
the **Offertory**, in which God's people offer Him  
themselves, symbolized by the bread, wine, and  
money as the fruits of human labour. We need  
members of our congregation to help in the  
procession of bread and wine. Pat Webber would  
value if you would join occasionally in this ministry.

## A Midsummer Night's Dream

Performances of this are to take place in the Rectory  
Gardens between 16th to 18th August. Pat Webber  
is seeking volunteers to help serve refreshments.

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of England; Common Worship: Pastoral Services; The Christian Year:  
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