

# Time to Reflect

Here's a hint; if you want to start a fight in church, fiddle with the wording of the Lord's Prayer. People get over-excited about the version they like. If we're not very careful, we manage to morph from saying "these are the words I grew up with" to "this is what Jesus said". In other words, we think that to fiddle with the wording of the Lord's Prayer is akin to heresy and that those who suggest it are of the devil.

So have a look at today's Gospel reading. It contains the Lord's Prayer. Only, it's not the version of the Lord's Prayer we are familiar with. Does that mean that it's wrong? that it's not the "real" Lord's Prayer? How would we feel if we used this version in the future? Would we be outraged or intrigued?

We don't know what Jesus actually said. The two versions we know (in Matthew and Luke) sort of suggest that Jesus taught one prayer but varied what he said. Of course, Jesus didn't speak in English or Latin or Greek or Hebrew but in Aramaic, a language which is rich in nuance. Aramaic does not use the "do this, do that" precise ideas that English uses.

Does all that mean we shouldn't bother with the Lord's Prayer? Absolutely not. The words with which we are familiar point us towards God (as Father, as the bringer of the kingdom, forgiveness, protector from evil). These are good words. And it is good that we know them enough to memorize them, to draw on them in times of crisis or joy. That's all good. But we should equally be relaxed when other translations are offered or used.

## Worship and Activities this week

Sun	<b>12.30pm</b> Baptism of Ethan James Forrest 5.00pm Office Hour <b>6.30pm</b> Evensong
Mon	9.00am Holiday Club <b>9.30am Morning Prayer</b> 1.00pm "In-house" @ House on t'Rock
Tues	9.00am Holiday Club
Wed	9.00am Holiday Club <b>11.00am Holy Communion</b> 7.00pm Study Group @ Ashton Room
Thurs	9.00am Holiday Club <b>9.30am Morning Prayer</b> 10.00am Tiddlers @ Church House <b>12.45pm Holy Communion</b>
Fri	8.00am Holiday Club 9.00am Dustbusters <b>9.30am Morning Prayer</b> 12.30pm Lunchtime Concerts resume on 6th September 7.00pm Choir Practice
Sat	9.00am Parish Running Group

## Next Week : 7th Sunday after Trinity 4 August 2019

<b>8.00am</b> Said Holy Communion
<b>10.00am</b> Parish Eucharist and Sunday School followed by coffee in the Blackburne Hall
<b>12.30pm</b> Baptism of Elliot Francis Moore 5.00pm Office Hour <b>6.30pm</b> Evensong

### 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.

## 6th Sunday after Trinity

28th July 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**  
6th Sunday after Trinity (Pg. 164)  
President: Julian Heaton, Rector  
Preaching: Julian Heaton, Rector

**10.00am Parish and Parade and Sunday School**  
President: Rhiannon Jones, Assoc R'tr  
Preaching: Rhiannon Jones, Assoc R'tr  
Hymns: 557; 98; 377; 404; 496  
**Anthem** : Maurice Duruflé :  
Notre Père  
J S Bach : King of Glory,

**6.30pm Evensong**  
Minister: Rhiannon Jones, Assoc R'tr  
Preaching: Rhiannon Jones, Assoc R'tr  
**Hymns**: 558; 385; 308  
Psalm 88. 1-10 (Pg.457)  
Genesis 42. 1-25 (Pg.37)  
1 Corinthians 10. 1-24 (pg. 961)  
**Anthem** : Orlando Gibbons :  
O Lord, increase my faith

Cornerstone

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

## Today's Readings

### The Collect

Creator God,  
you made us all in your image:  
may we discern you in all that we see,  
and serve you in all that we do;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians (Colossians 2.6-15)

Brothers and sisters, as you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

*This is the word of the Lord*

**Thanks be to God**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (Luke 11.1-13)

### Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial." And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

*This is the Gospel of the Lord*

**Praise to you, O Christ**

## Holiday Club

### 29 July—2 August

We are running our usual Holiday Club during this week. If you would like a member of your family to attend, could you let Dawn Wight know?

Email: [d.wight@talktalk.net](mailto:d.wight@talktalk.net)

### An Evening with Nadia Bolz-Weber

Manchester Cathedral 20 August 7pm

Former Stand-up comic, recovering alcoholic, explores the patriarchy, sex and power. Intrigued? Book via M/cr Cathedral website.

### Mothers' Union Afternoon Tea

BPC Mothers' Union are hosting an Afternoon Tea on **Tuesday 6th Aug** in the Blackburne Hall @ 1.00pm. Tickets cost £5 and are available to purchase in Church on Sunday mornings or ring 01204 884671. Everyone welcome.



### Parish Lunch

**11th August at 12 Noon** (£4.00 plus donation to charity) Tickets from churchwardens.



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