

**Christ Church Walmersley
and
St John with St Mark Bury**

The Church of England on Walmersley Road



March 2024



**THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND**
Diocese of Manchester

**CHURCH
FOR A
DIFFERENT
WORLD**



Holy Week and Easter Services

24-31st March

Palm Sunday 9.00am Holy Communion CC
10.30am Morning Prayer CC
10.30am Holy Communion SJSM
7pm Sunday@Seven, Salvation Army, BL9 6EB

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 7.30pm SJSM
Stations of the Cross and Night Prayer

Wednesday 10.00am Holy Communion SJSM

Maundy Thursday 7.30pm Holy Communion SJSM

Good Friday 10.00am Reflective Service CC
12 noon Churches Together
Walk of Witness from Parsons Lane
2.00pm Last Hour at the Cross SJSM

Holy Saturday 6.30pm Easter Vigil
at Bury Parish Church, The Rock

Easter Sunday 9.00am Holy Communion CC
9.45-10.15am Hot Cross Buns at CC
10.30am Holy Communion both

Renewal, hope and anticipation

This Easter carries a special significance for our congregation as we not only celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ but also prepare to welcome a new shepherd to guide our flock. It is a time of renewal, hope, and anticipation.

Amidst the Easter festivities and the anticipation of Harvie and Sally's arrival, we are also mindful of the conflicts that continue to ravage our world. What's happening in Gaza, Yemen and Ukraine serve as stark reminders of the brokenness and turmoil that persist in our global community. As we gather in worship and fellowship, we cannot ignore the suffering and strife experienced in these regions and, sometimes, closer to home.

The Easter story is one of triumph over darkness, of hope emerging from despair. It is a story that resonates deeply with the human experience, offering solace and inspiration in times of uncertainty such as now. Just as Jesus emerged from the tomb, victorious over death, we are reminded that even in the darkest of times, there is light to be found.



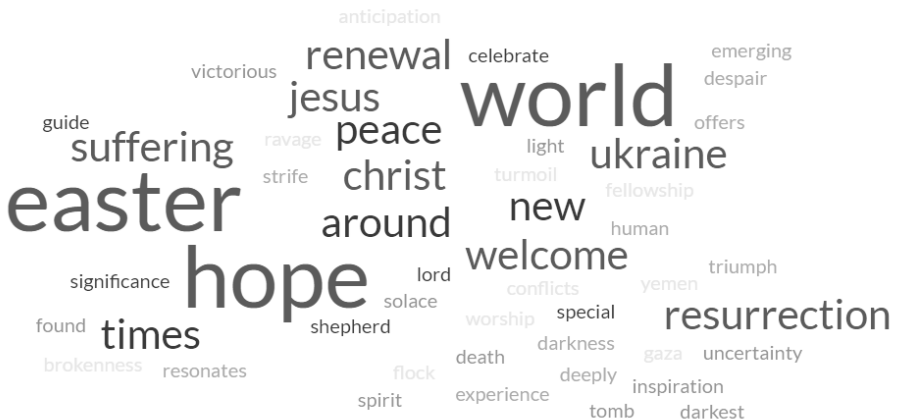
As we prepare to welcome our new vicar, let us embody the spirit of Easter in our congregation. Let us extend a hand of welcome and support, embracing the opportunity for growth and renewal that comes with change. Harvie and Sally bring with them unique perspectives and gifts that we pray will enrich our community in profound ways. Let us open our hearts and minds to receive this new leadership with grace and enthusiasm.

At the same time, let us not forget our responsibility to bear witness to the suffering around the world. As followers of Christ, we are called to be agents of peace and reconciliation in a world torn apart by conflict. Let us pray for the people of the Middle East and Ukraine, for an end to violence everywhere and the restoration of peace.

As we journey through this Easter season, may we be reminded of the hope that lies within us – that hope of resurrection and of new life. May we hold fast to this as we navigate the challenges and uncertainties of the world around us.

Ian

This word cloud has been created from Ian's letter – interesting to see which words featured most frequently in his message for us.



BAPTISMS

Feb 18 Oliver Mole and Nathan Kane

"In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit....."

FUNERAL SERVICES IN CHURCH

Feb 15 Michelle Whitehouse

Feb 16 William Bradshaw

FUNERAL SERVICE AT THE CREMATORIUM

Feb 2 Peter Schofield

INTERMENT OF ASHES

Feb 6 Marilyn and Peter Schofield

"I am the resurrection and the life....."



There is a very real need for the work of Porch Boxes at this time. Please do all you can to contribute – simply adding a couple of cans to your weekly shop will make a real difference if we all do it.

A box is available at the back of both churches and there are lists of the items most needed. Also welcome are any 'bags for life' you can spare as the charity gives out around 80 bags each week.

Thank you to everyone who is willing to support local families in need.



BIBLE READINGS FOR MARCH

Mar 3 3rd Sunday of Lent

Exodus 20.1-17 1 Corinthians 1.18-25 John 2.13-22

Mar 10 4th Sunday of Lent – Mothering Sunday

Exodus 2.1-10 or 2 Corinthians 1.3-7 or Luke 2.33-35 or
1 Samuel 20-end Colossians 3.12-17 John 19.25b-27

Mar 17 5th Sunday of Lent – Passion Sunday

Jeremiah 31.31-34 Hebrews 5.5-10 John 12.20-33

Mar 24 Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50.4-9a Philippians 2.5-11 Mark 14.1-15.47

Mar 31 Easter Day

Acts 10.34-43 1 Corinthians 15.1-11 John 20.1-18

Apr 7 2nd Sunday of Easter

Acts 4.32-35 1 John 1.1-2.2 John 20.19-end



Flowers in church

At Christ Church

No flowers during Lent

Mar 31 The Congregation

If you would like to donate towards the cost of the flowers in church for a specific week, perhaps in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special event, please speak to Hazel Bamford (Christ Church) or Rosemarie Ashworth (St John with St Mark).

Contributions are welcome towards flowers for Easter.

Interregnum Notes

- * AT LAST! We have a date for the induction of the Revd Harvie Nicol as Vicar of the United Benefice of Walmersley Road. This will take place on Wednesday, 17 April at 7.30pm at St John with St Mark and the following Sunday will be a joint Benefice Communion at Christ Church. Please make sure both dates are in your diary.
- * Diocesan Head of Mission and Growth, Mike McGurk, will be hosting a session reflecting on the I AM sayings of Jesus, on Tuesday 19th March in the Barritt Room at 7.30pm. Mike is a great speaker, so it should be a good evening. Please let us know if you would like a lift or to car share to cut down on parking (all.ccwalmersleybury@outlook.com)
- * The Muslim Christian Forum invites us to join them in a meal for Iftar. This gives us an opportunity to mingle with other guests before the daily fast is broken. There will be tables and chairs for everyone. Please see page 27 and contact Gillian Smith for more information.
- * The Bury Mission Community weekly service of Compline (Night Prayer) on Thursdays on Zoom has now ceased. It was good to give this a try though and a joy to share worship and prayer with others across the Mission Community. As Ecclesiastes 3 reminds us, everything has a season.
- * Look out for details of a Party in the Park this summer with an Olympic theme. It is being organised by our Mission Community and each church has been invited to contribute an activity.
- * Many thanks to our ministry team and to visiting ministers who are ensuring that the vast majority of our usual services are continuing throughout our vacancy.
- * The Ministry Team (clergy and Licensed Readers) meets every month – normally on the second Tuesday evening. If you have an issue that you would like them to discuss, please contact one of the team.
- * Regular attenders to church are encouraged to join our planned giving scheme. If you would like to do so or would like some further information, please speak to one of the treasurers.

Summary of St. John with St. Mark PCC meeting – 18 January

- DBS/Safeguarding: These are being returned for Panto helpers.
- Mission Community: There was a leaders' meeting at the Parish Church on 29th January. At this meeting it was decided that the weekly Thursday Compline on Zoom would cease.
- Seedfield Housing: A further traffic survey has been promised by the planners with local residents being consulted.
- New Incumbent – We are still awaiting work to be completed on Vicarage electrics and decorating. It is not expected that Harvie will arrive before April.
- Finance – The draft accounts for 2023 were presented to the PCC. There was a summary of income and expenditure. It was agreed that these should be presented to Andy Clark for Independent Examination; It was noted that only a small amount was raised at the Christingle for the Children's society, possibly due to the absence of collection boxes. Therefore, it was agreed that this would be made up to an amount of £50.00; It was also noted that the Christmas Fair had been successful; The APCM booklet will be compiled soon and anybody who leads a group should submit their reports as soon as possible.
- Wardens Report: Five Baptisms and one Confirmation have been booked in over the coming weeks; There are one or two of the radiators not working in Church and this will be looked into as soon as is possible.
- Health and safety – Anybody who has Church keys and is no longer using them is being asked to return them. The sensor lights outside the Barritt Room are to be repaired following concerns from some groups.
- Dates – The Summer Fair is now set for Saturday 22nd June; Uniformed groups were asked to consider possible Parade dates for 2024. There are usually five per year.
- The date of the next PCC meeting is Tuesday 27th February at 7.30pm.

Summary of Christ Church PCC meeting on February 12

- It was again noted that we are running at a monthly deficit and this is not sustainable. It was reiterated that the diocesan video on parish share was to be shown at Café Church. PCC agreed to decline the offer of a Discussion and Agreement meeting with the diocese, which means we accept the level of Parish Share. It was agreed to increase the organist and vergers payments for occasional services by £5.
- MAP: It was noted that the PCC are positive about the stated targets. It was agreed we should promote the upcoming Lent meetings and that suggestions of car sharing and lifts would be announced.
- A second opinion report commissioned by the PCC on the abnormal costs issued by Morris Homes is due. On negotiation of this the contract sale value will be determined.
- Cath Hilton prepared a paper on a point raised previously about the safety of people working alone in church or hall. PCC members were asked to review it before it is displayed in both buildings and circulated to all persons who access the church outside services.
- There are plans for a Mission Community Picnic in the Park in June/July with an Olympic theme and it was agreed we would be involved.
- Thanks were given to the property committee for all the work being undertaken. This includes the creation of a further row of spaces in the Garden of Remembrance.
- Approval was given to:
 1. the purchase of bookmarks for Mothering Sunday;
 2. the cost of Easter cards for distribution around much of the parish;
 3. a less labour-intensive Easter Experience event, to which Springside School has accepted the invitation to bring a year group. Helpers will be required.
- Following the last meeting, a list had been compiled of suggestions for events which would reach out to the community as well as the church family. Some items were identified for immediate action and members asked to plan ahead for others throughout 2024.
- Members were reminded that historically we have always given 10% of any surplus from events to charity and it was agreed that we should ensure that everyone attending is aware of this.

The next Meeting will be 12th March 2024 at 1.30 pm in the Church Hall.

The APCM is planned for 19th May 2024 at 9.45 am.

Lent and Holy Week

Experience Easter

– at Christ Church, during the week commencing 17 March



HOLY WEEK

An interactive way for all ages to explore the events of Holy Week.

Six reflective areas cover key moments in the Easter story.

The plan is to open on Sunday afternoon, from 3.30-5pm three afternoons, and from 1pm on Thursday (after Thursday lunches)

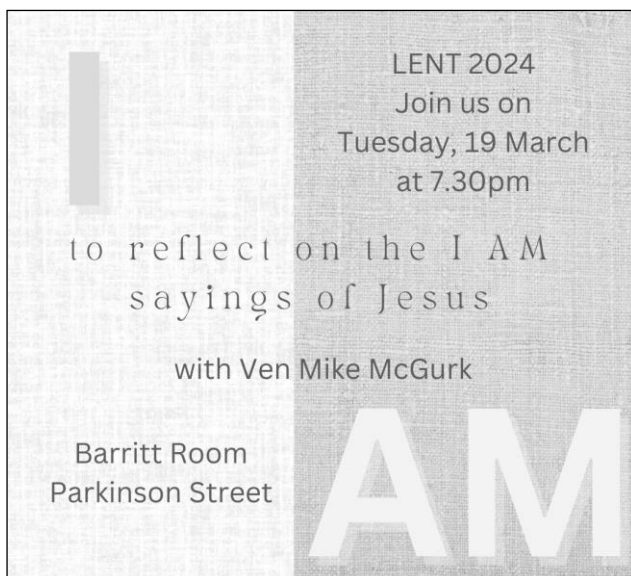
To quote:

"be led through the most tumultuous and adventure-filled week of Jesus' earthly life, from the events of Palm Sunday, through washing of the disciples' feet, and breaking bread together at the Last Supper, being alone in the Garden of Gethsemane on Maundy Thursday, and leading up to the Cross on Good Friday and the amazing story of the Resurrection on Easter Day"

PLEASE COME AND SPEND SOME TIME HERE

Even if you missed the first session Mike led for us this Lent we hope you can come along for this second stand-alone evening.

Mike has returned to his home diocese after a period as archdeacon in Liverpool and is now Head of Church Growth here in Manchester.



LENT 2024
Join us on
Tuesday, 19 March
at 7.30pm

to reflect on the I AM
sayings of Jesus

with Ven Mike McGurk

Barritt Room
Parkinson Street

AM

Mothering Sunday

This year could you give the Gift of Dignity?

Through your support more women could grow their independence, take on leadership roles, and build a better future for their children.

By choosing a Gift of Dignity you'll be making a difference for mothers and their families through the ground-breaking work Mothers' Union does around the world.



You might want to buy directly for your Mother, choose to dedicate your gift in memory of a loved one, or help the grandchildren to surprise mum with these alternative and very special gifts.

Find out more at [Make A Mother's Day Appeal 2024 – Mothers' Union Shop \(mueshop.org\)](https://mueshop.org)

Priory Highbank

On Monday, 25 March a group will share Easter worship with the residents, visitors and staff of the Priory Highbank Centre.

All are welcome at 2.30pm

Springside School

Easter Service at Christ Church

at 10am on Wednesday 27 March

Please come along to support and worship with them.

Light refreshments will be served after the service.



Stations of the Cross

From Monday to Wednesday at 7.30pm in the Memorial Chapel at St. John with St. Mark, there will be lay led Stations of the Cross reflections and Night Prayer, following the last few hours of Jesus' life on Earth.



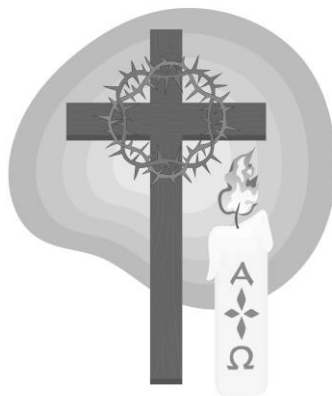
Good Friday



In addition to our services in the benefice (see p2) Churches Together in Bury invite you to join in witnessing to the people of Bury. The Walk begins at 12 noon at Bury URC on Parsons Lane and will include a stop in the Millgate Shopping Centre.

Easter Vigil

Join other Churches from the Bury Mission Community at 6.30pm on Holy Saturday at St. Mary the Virgin (Bury Parish Church) for an Easter Vigil and the first celebration of the Resurrection. Paschal Candles are traditionally dedicated at this service.



Easter Day



Hot Cross Buns served with tea, coffee and soft drinks, in the Hall at Christ Church between the two services: everyone welcome, 9.45 – 10.15 am on 31 March.

All Easter Day services across the Benefice are as usual, with Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion at 9.00am at Christ Church and Parish Communion at both Churches at 10.30am.

QUIET MOMENTS FOR MARCH

A prayer used at a recent Family Service at Christ Church:



Living God, where there is waste let us bring recycling,

Where there is recycling let us bring re-use

Where there is reuse let us bring sustainability

Where there is sustainability let us bring justice

Where there is justice let us bring love.

On St. Patrick's Day ~ 17th March

May the Strength of God guide us.
May the Power of God preserve us.
May the Wisdom of God instruct us.
May the Hand of God protect us.
May the Way of God direct us.
May the Shield of God defend us.
May the Angels of God guard us.
– Against the snares of the evil one.

May Christ be with us!
May Christ be before us!
May Christ be in us,
Christ be over all!

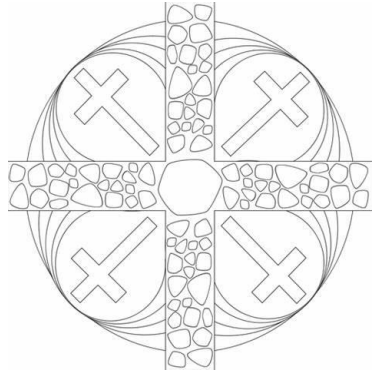
May Thy Grace, Lord,
Always be ours,
This day, O Lord, and forevermore. Amen.



From The Spiritual Life

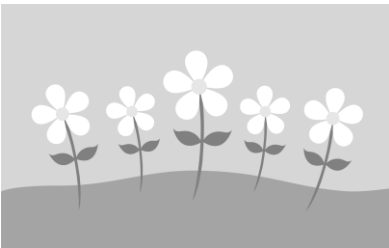
For Passiontide

You were a man of suffering
acquainted with grief,
loved and despised in equal measure.
You understand humanity,
know our failings,
love us despite the people that we are.
When we, like Peter, deny you
by word or action,
forgive us.
When we, like Judas, are tempted
to follow a different path,
forgive us.
When we, like those in the crowd
allow you to be crucified,
forgive us.
Bring us to the foot of the Cross
to stand next to the one who,
looking into your eyes declared
'Surely this is the Son of God'



Faith & Worship.com

For the beginning of Springtime



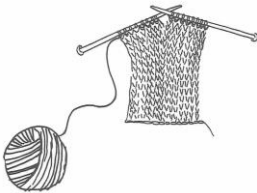
Dear Lord.
Thank you for your renewing
and giving new life to things.
You have designed the seasons to each
hold a special lesson for us.
You created everything so wonderfully
and orchestrated everything to work
in harmony in nature.
Amen.

Pray for Everything.com

Technology is amazing – WHEN it works. A frustrating afternoon but hopefully a taste of MU in Manchester's monthly worship, "A Moment with God". It can be found on YouTube and is approximately 20 minutes of hymns, prayers, reading and reflection, recorded by members (apart from the hymns for which we rely mainly on the group of St Martin's Voices).

Our meetings at 2pm in March will be Lent Reflections led on 6th by the Revd Robert Airey, branch leader of Emmanuel Holcombe Mothers' Union, and on 20th by the Revd Sheila Beattie, from Bury Parish Church and a frequent visitor to lead our worship on Sundays. We look forward to being challenged. As with all our meetings, everyone is welcome but especially if you would like to do something extra in Lent.

knitting...



(...communities together)

Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families

Calling all knitters!

We have a challenge on our hands preparing (wait for it!!) for Christmas. We'd love to have some help but also we are asking whether you have any oddments of wool to spare. *Ideally* it will be double knitting and probably either pale or brightly coloured – but we can work with others.

The knitting is not complicated – just that we need lots of it. Do ask us for a pattern, or if not a knitter, are you happy to stitch seams?

In Mothers' Union, officers serve for three or six years. It is now seven years since I became branch leader but carried on as last year we were in interregnum. So, at the AGM in February I shall step down and the branch for the present will be run by committee. I am truly grateful for all the support I have had in this role, but now look forward to simply 'turning up'.

With my love and prayers,
Bob Taylor, Branch Leader

Men of the Benefice

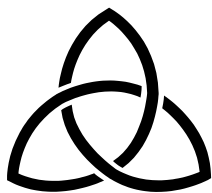


The MOB met for the first meeting of the year at The Towler and Colin Riggs hosted a quiz. Colin is good at setting quizzes and there was a good variety of topics on offer including sport, wildlife, general knowledge and a picture quiz of European landmarks. There were only a small number of us in attendance, but it soon became apparent that each of us had our own specialised subject. The remainder of the evening was spent in good hearted socialising. Thank you to Colin for putting the quiz together for us.

If you are reading this before the event, then on Wednesday 28th February, Andrew Lees will lead a talk on flying at Christ Church Hall at 8.00pm. Anybody who attends may wish to bring their own refreshments. The last Monday of March (25th) coincides with Holy Week, so as of yet we are unsure what to plan. Please watch out on the weekly sheets.

David Robinson

The Open Group



The Open Group have not met in January or February due to darker nights. However, we will be resuming on Wednesday 13th March in the Barritt Room at 7.30pm. As it is Lent, I intend this to be a quieter more reflective evening.

I have a few other speakers confirmed for 2024 and all are welcome to any of the meetings, including anybody who has never previously been to an Open Group. As usual I expect each to be the second Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm.

David Robinson



Coffee Shop

Extended opening from 14 February 2024

(NEW) Wednesdays 10.30am to 2.30pm

Fridays 11.30am to 1.30pm

Tea, coffees, sandwiches made to order,
cakes, scones, and more.

**Come and look round the church or
ask for a guided tour (Weds.) light a candle,
meet friends, enjoy the peace or the
weekly Friday concert (12.30 – 1.30pm).**

(See separate leaflet for
future concert details.)

Website:

www.buryparishchurch.com



Do you know anyone who could volunteer?

We pass on this recently received appeal.

BRAC (Bolton, Bury and Rochdale African Community)'s main role and objective is to encourage refugees, migrants and asylum seekers to engage, participate and contribute fully in British society, by offering services like advice drop-in sessions, language support, and homework clubs etc...

The BRAC homework club supports children and young people whose parents struggle with the language barrier and who are, therefore, unable to help their children with their homework or when schools want them to improve on their English, Maths and other subjects.

For the past two years, we have been receiving and helping at least 10 children and young people every week. All of them are grateful to be there and we have seen a huge improvement in their schoolwork and school engagement.

Due to a shortage in the number of volunteers, the homework club is temporarily paused as we look to recruit more help. We would like to restart the service in March 2024, each Saturday between 10 am to 12 midday, at Metro Christian Centre, Parkhills Road, Bury. If you feel you are able to assist this noble work in continuing please join us.

Give us a ring on either 07809185094, 07405895685 or Email at: bracnewcommunity@outlook.com

Assistant required

The trustees of the Bury Project are looking to recruit an assistant for Gordon Clark, debt counsellor working with Christians Against Poverty. He has some really great skills and qualities as our debt counsellor, and we want to find someone who can work with him, learn from him and gradually take over from him so that we can take on more clients. At the moment there is a waiting list, and we're having to turn folk away. An assistant would help avoid such a situation in future. It also means that we have a trained assistant who will be able to take over from him when he begins to prepare for retirement.

We are envisaging an assistant working a two day week, paid according to the Government's Living Wage. Someone may well be looking for a part-time post. No previous experience is required, but below are the key qualities we are looking for. There may well be someone with these sorts of skills, perhaps potential rather than actual at the moment. The qualities we're looking for are as follows:

- A strong Christian faith, expressing itself in integrity, trustworthiness and kindness.
- Excellent communication, both verbal and written.
- Able to quickly analyse complex situations to find the best solution.
- Confident computer user, able to quickly gather and accurately record information.
- A confident, quick learner with a capacity for large workloads.
- High emotional resilience. Able to maintain well-being whilst dealing with sensitive and highly emotive client circumstances.
- Strong numerical skills.

That might sound a bit daunting!, but as I say we are looking for potential, and some of these skills can be learned or honed.

Finding the right person for this work would be a tremendous step forward for the Bury Project and lay the foundations for the long-term future of this service to our community.

Yours sincerely,

Revd Gordon Joyce

gordonfjoyce@gmail.com

0161 761 6582

Do you have a bed to sleep in tonight?



Bolton Road Methodist Church this winter decided to open a **Night Shelter** for the homeless during exceptionally cold weather. In January they decided to run every night as there are so many in need

– rough sleepers, refugees, asylum seekers . . .

The sports hall is heated; the Council has provided carry-mats, sleeping bags and duvets whilst donations have been made of pillows and pillowcases.

On most evenings, the guests have access at 8pm. The two evenings there is youth work taking place in the sports hall, they have to wait until 9 and 9.30pm. They have to leave by 8am.

Clean clothes (socks, underwear, warm clothing, donated by church folk) are offered each evening, as are the toiletries kindly donated by Audacious Church. The hosts offer soup, hot drinks etc. each evening when they arrive, breakfast in the morning and a packed lunch to take away. Unfortunately, there is no space to store belongings and there are no showers.

However, our friends at Red Door can offer clothing, showers and clothes washing facilities. Breakfast is available Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and lunch is also available on Monday and Thursday. Lunch is available for those who stay for activities after breakfast on Wednesday and Friday.

Bolton Road Methodist Church is appealing for more volunteers to help - the need is even greater now that the facility is open each day. Those using the night shelter are known to the 'rough sleepers team' and are considered low risk. Volunteers are needed who are able to stay overnight from 9pm to 8am.

All volunteers need a DBS check which can be arranged. If you could help in any way, or would like more information, please contact Kathy Selby asap. Tel. 0161 764 1683 Email: kathyselby@hotmail.com

MARCH EVENTS

This year's World Day of Prayer service will be held at Bolton Road Methodist Church at 2pm on Friday, 1 March. Everyone is welcome. Each year, planned many years ahead, the service is written by people from a different country and poignantly this year's has been prepared by the people of Pakistan.

If you are not free in the afternoon you will be very welcome at Emmanuel Church Centre at 7pm.



Manchester
Cathedral

The Very Reverend Rogers Govender,
Dean of Manchester
warmly invites you to Evensong

Admission to the Order of William Temple

Canon Geoffrey Tattersall, KC
Canon Barbara Christine Taylor

Sunday 3 March 2024, at 5.30pm

To help us with our planning
Please email your reply to
nidhisinha@manchestercathedral.org
Indicating how many guests you wish to bring by
Fri, 1 March 2024.

Clergy are invited to robe.
Please arrive by 5pm



LIGHT LUNCH

Come and join us on the third Thursday of every month for a light lunch. A chance to enjoy a chat in the company of friends.

Lunch is served 12 noon – 1pm.
Christ Church Walmersley Hall, School Lane, BL9 5LP

There is no charge – though, if you can, a donation toward costs would be appreciated.
Any profit will go to charity or church funds.

It would be great to see you!

So come along on 21 March, 18 April, 16 May.

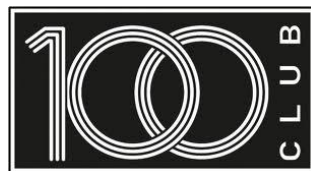
ST. JOHN WITH ST. MARK 100 CLUB

February 2024 draw:

1st Prize £15.00 – (33) Geoff Hosking

2nd Prize £10.00 – (11) Phyllis Holt

Congratulations to both



ADVANCE NOTICE

Bury Mission Community **Quiet Day**

18th May 2024

St Mary in the Baum, Rochdale

Leader: The Revd James Read

REGULAR SERVICES

Sunday			
8.30am	3 rd	Holy Communion	St John w St Mark
9.00am	All	Holy Communion (BCP)	Christ Church
10.30 a.m.	1 st 2 nd 3 rd 4 th	Holy Communion Family Service Holy Communion Morning Worship	Christ Church
10.30 a.m.	1 st 2 nd 3 rd 4 th	Holy Communion Holy Communion Morning Worship Holy Communion	St John w St Mark
10.30 a.m.	5 th	Holy Communion	Joint (venue tba)
7.00 p.m.	Final, Sunday @ Seven		Venue tba
Wednesday			
10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion		St John w St Mark
Thursday			
12.30 p.m.	The Gathering		Zoom
7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion		St John w St Mark
Other services as announced.			
Services are from Common Worship unless otherwise stated.			

If you need transport to church please contact the wardens.

Both churches have Fairtrade status



We are members of Manchester's Transforming Prayer Community

Personal details have been removed in our online edition for data protection purposes.

Please contact us through our websites or social media accounts and we will ensure your message reaches the correct person.

Enquiries about baptisms or weddings / marriage banns etc or any other matter, should be made at the Parish Office held at St.John with St.Mark Church Hall, Parkinson Street any Wednesday evening between 6.30-7.00pm.

Lots more info on our websites:	https://ccwalmersleybury.org.uk https://stjohnstmarkchurchbury.com
Check out Facebook	@christchurchwalmersley @stjohnstmark
X (formerly Twitter)	@cofewalmersley
Instagram	cofewalmersley
and YouTube	CofE Walmersley

FOR YOUR MARCH DIARY

Fri 1	2.00pm	World Day of Prayer (Bolton Rd Methodist Church)
Sun 3		3rd Sunday of Lent
	9.00am	Holy Communion BCP (CC)
	10.30am	Parish Communion (both)
	5.30pm	Installation to Order of William Temple (Cathedral)
Wed 6	2.00pm	Mothers' Union (CC Hall)
Sat 9	9.30am	Diocesan Synod (St John's House)
Sun 10		4th Sunday of Lent – Mothering Sunday
	9.00am	Holy Communion BCP (CC)
	10.30am	Family and Parade Service (CC)
		Parish Communion (SJM)
Wed 13	7.30pm	Open Group (Barritt Room)
Fri 15	5.30pm	Iftar Meal (Dar us Salam Centre)
Sun 17		5th Sunday of Lent - Passion Sunday
	8.30am	Holy Communion (SJM)
	9.00am	Holy Communion BCP (CC)
	10.30am	Morning Worship (SJM)
		Parish Communion (CC)
Sun-Thu		Experience Easter (Christ Church)
Mon 18	7.30pm	Churches Together in Bury (Bury URC)
Tue 19	7.30pm	Lent Reflection (Barritt Room)
Wed 20	2.00pm	Mothers' Union (CC Hall)
Thu 21	12noon	Thursday Lunch (CC Hall)
Sun 24		Palm Sunday
	9.00am	Holy Communion BCP (CC)
	10.30am	Morning Worship (CC)
		Parish Communion (SJM)
	7.00pm	Sunday@Seven (Salvation Army)
Mon 25	8.00pm	Men of the Benefice - TBC

See pages 2, and 11-13 for details of Holy Week and Easter



IFTAR

The Muslim Christian Forum Bury
invites you to come and join us for the
breaking of fast (Iftar) in Ramadan

There will be a short presentation on Lent/Easter
and fasting in Ramadan followed by the Iftar meal.

Vegetarian options will be available.

Venue: Dar us Salam Centre, Yarwood Street, Bury BL9
7AU (opposite Noor ul Islam Mosque)

Friday 15th March at 5.30pm

If possible, please can you confirm your attendance by contacting
either Gillian or Saqib:

Gillian Smith: tel - 0161 764 3563 email - sabdenclouse@yahoo.co.uk

Saqib Shah: tel - 07984 633754 email - mr.saqibshah@gmail.com

Please also share with others, and we look forward to seeing you.



Sunday



@ Seven



We next meet for our time of informal worship

**March 24th at the
Salvation Army
Brookshaw Street**

'What a week that was!'

We shall be taking a look at some of the events of Holy Week. Come and join us for an hour - or you can be with us via Zoom.

Please contact Nigel Silvester or Ian Banks for more details – or if you need a lift down the road.