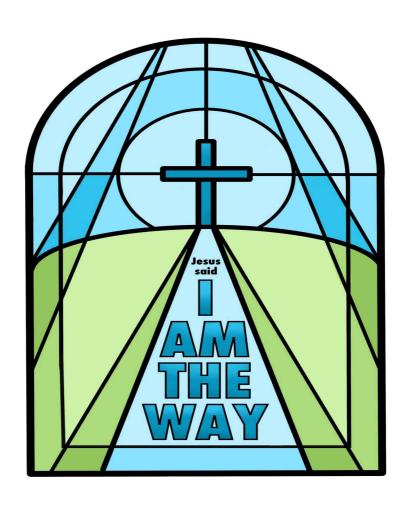


Parish Magazine April 2024





Situated on top of the small hill at the centre of the town, Bury Parish
Church stands at the heart of one of the ancient parishes of Lancashire.
The present splendid building was opened for worship on 2nd February, the Feast of the Presentation, in 1876, and is certainly the third - possibly the fourth - on the site. It is impossible now to know just when Christian worship began here, a thousand or so years ago.



During its long history, the Church has ministered to the town in many different ways. Bury Grammar School began life here in the sixteenth century, boys almost certainly being taught originally by clergy from the Parish Church. Parish Charities were set up to provide for the poor and sick.

The Rector was heavily involved in the growth of the town during the Industrial Revolution: much of the urban growth of those days took place on his glebe land. Sir Robert Peel, future Prime Minister and son of a local textile manufacturer, was baptized here in 1788. All of the dozen or so Anglican parishes in Bury were carved out of the original parish. The Church has had close links with the Lancashire Fusiliers (now part of the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers) since 1873 and continues to be a focus for the whole civic life of the Borough.

Today, we seek to continue to offer a wide variety of activities and opportunities to the whole town which we are called to serve for Jesus Christ's sake. This magazine gives its reader a snapshot, in one particular month, of what is on offer. We are always eager to find new ways of witness and service and should be glad to receive any constructive suggestions.

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Parish Diary April 2024

Regular events

Sunday	Thursday

8.00am Holy Communion **10.00am** Tiddlers meet in Blackburne

10.00am Parish Eucharist (also on Hall Facebook Live) and Sunday

School, followed by Friday

refreshments served in the **8.00am** Dustbusters – church

Blackburne Hall. cleaning

4.30pm Evensong **11:30-1.30pm** Church Cafe Open

12.30pm Lunchtime Concert **Wednesday 4.00pm** Junior Choir Practice during

9.30am Morning Prayer on Zoom term-time

10:30-2.30pm Church Cafe Open **7.00pm** Adult Choir Practice **11.00am** Holy Communion

7.00pm Study Group -see

Cornerstone

Baptisms & Weddings

Speak to any of the clergy after the

10.00am service. There is a full list of

(To receive the Cornerstone, email: contact details for clergy and julian.heaton_1@outlook.com) organisations near the back of the magazine

Events during April/May 2024

5th April Friday Lunchtime Concert: Christo Harijan (piano) 7th April Book Stall

11th April Black Dyke Band Concert

19th April Friday Lunchtime Concert Patrick Hemmerle (piano)

26th April Friday Lunchtime Concert Dunelm Duo (flute/clarinet

and Piano)

18th May Bury Mission Community Quiet Day at St Mary in the

Baum Rochdale

27th May Whit Walk at Manchester Cathedral

From the Rector's desk



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Happy Easter. I wonder what those words conjure in your head? Something about Church, Easter hymns, lilies, a feeling of joy and hope? Perhaps something lighter, chocolate eggs, Easter cards, family visits?

Unlike Christmas, where wishing someone a 'Happy Christmas' carries with it a fairly universal set of images and experiences, Easter divides us between people for whom the reality of Resurrection is central to our lives and people for whom this is the start of spring, an opportunity for play and rest and an invitation to indulge. I suspect that readers of this letter straddle both sides of this.

To sit on the 'faith' side of the equation is to do something extraordinary. It is to inhabit a mindset which sees beyond the

surface to a world that is alive to God, vibrant with his love at work in our lives, humming with possibilities and potential.
Resurrection declares that God has not finished with us, that there is more he invites us to do and that our lives become the place wherein the risen Christ dwells now. To believe in the Resurrection is to live as if Jesus is here and now, our friend, mentor and encourager.

This is not to say that Christians should be dour, devoid of laughter and fun and play. That wonderful hymn from the 1960s 'I danced in the morning' reminds us that the Lord is constantly calling us to participate with him in bringing a profound sense of delight into our world. It is a vision we need, bombarded as we are with constant images of horror and pain.

Part of the Christian vocation is to tell of another way of living, of lives transformed by the joy of knowing the love of Christ, of hope and purpose driving us to create a world of peace. This is not to ignore the reality of pain nor is it to silence our prophetic voice as to the causes of social, environmental and international breakdown.

Rather, the Resurrection should give us such a vision of what our world could look like we invest in challenging a narrative of despair.

The Easter Garden stories have one thing in common. The disciples are told to go on. It is tempting, sometimes, when life is grim, to take shelter in the security of Church. As we celebrate Easter, with wonderful worship and the odd chocolate,

Christ invites us to dance with him into places of darkness and issues of tension and to bring into those situations, including the ones in our own lives, something of the sheer delight, joy and hope that those first disciples had.

Happy Easter.

With love and prayers,

JULÍAN

Rector

Bury Mission Community Ouiet Day



10.00am - 3.00pm

St Mary in the Baum Rochdale



Led by the Revd James Reed

Bring sandwiches and a bible

email julian.heaton 1@outlook.com

Healing

Right at the start of the Church, the early Christians gave thought to all sorts of things. The New Testament is full of things about Jesus, who he was, what he said and did, how he was not just a story of an inspiring human being but way more than that. Some of the more complicated bits of the New Testament (Ephesians, Colossians, Hebrews and Revelation) try to tease this out.

Some of the New Testament is about how this very diverse group of people attracted to Jesus might live together (see Acts 6, 1 Corinthians 12, 1 John). Others talk about practical things, arguments (Matthew 18), food (1 Corinthians 8) and money (2 Corinthian 8 and 9). And finally there are those bits which talk about worship and spiritual discipline. 1 Corinthian 11 speaks about celebrating the Lord's Supper, reading holy scripture (Romans 15), and praying for others (in almost all of Paul's letters). Sometimes Paul writes about praying in joy for his friends, sometimes praying for those in authority, and sometimes praying for healing.

Have you ever prayed for someone who is poorly? I would guess the

answer is yes. I might also hazard a guess that you have prayed for yourself when things are not good. If you have, you have done what you are invited to by God. You have put yourself or someone else before God in trust and faith. We call this intercession. It means 'praying for' something, praying for a change in the circumstances of those we love and intercession is often around healing.



In the Letter of St James in the New Testament, the writer says this; Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. (James 5.14).

At the end of this month, we are going to explore the whole area of Christian healing. We have guest preachers and opportunities to join in conversation about this aspect of Christian ministry. As a former worker in hospital, on the wards as a nursing assistant and as a full

time Chaplain, I believe that this is something fundamental to the life of a Christian community and at the centre of our own personal spiritual life.

14th April – What is healing? The Revd Dr Lisa Redfern,
Paediatrician.
28th April – What does the bible/Jesus say? The Revd Canon Ian McVeety
5th May – What do we think we are doing when we pray? The Revd Jayne Shepherd, retired hospital chaplain
12th May – What does Christian healing ministry look like? The

One (Eco) nudge at a time N is for Need.

Rector.

An unexpected outcome of the Second World War was the wide-spread ownership of the domestic fridge. All those factories geared up to make weapons were retooled to manufacture other things, things we now take for granted at home. When we had enough the factories did not stop. They began to make things that would last less long, to sell goods through easy-to-obtain loans, to market their products as requirements for civilised people. After the famine of living only on

what we needed, now we could thrive on what we wanted. The internet has only speeded this up. The time gap between seeing something and having it, which used to be through a process of seeing-reflecting-saving-further reflecting-buying has telescoped into seeing-buying.

And, in the process, we have been consumed by consumerism. 'I am what I have.' Our self-understanding, our souls if you like, are defined by what we own. God, whom we cannot own, is pushed to the edges of our mind, to be visited on a Sunday.



What Christians need is a form of resistance to this. Here's a verse which might strengthen your carefully trained behaviour to buy, buy; Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Romans 12.3

Ruth Valerio makes a number of suggestions as to how we might distinguish between 'need' and 'want.' Here are two of them:

- When you see something that attracts you, wait 24 hours. Just that.
- More boldly she suggests that we might box up our clothing and other things (kitchen goods, even the whole house) and see if we have opened the box in a three-month period. If not, it is time to pass these on a charity, to use free-cycle or car boot sale – giving the profits away

Pilgrimage

To go on a pilgrimage is to move towards a specific place. That place, a church probably but not necessarily, has some association with either a revelation of God or of something to do with the life of a holy person (a saint). Our Winchester to Canterbury walk was book ended by the Shrine of St Swithun and that of St Thomas a Becket.



Some people get excited by such holy places. Others are more cautious. The poet TS Eliot, writing about a little church out in the

country, tells the reader in Little Gidding;

"You are not here to verify, instruct yourself, or inform curiosity or carry report. You are here to kneel where prayer has been valid. And prayer is more than an order of words, the conscious occupation of the praying mind, or the sound of the voice praying."

In other words, whatever we may have read about a particular place, or thought about it in advance, the task of the pilgrim is to be open to whatever that place, or rather, God in that place, says to the heart.

Where are your 'special' places? Where does God speak to you? Are they places you seek out regularly? It may be your special place is not somewhere far off. You may have discovered that there is a corner of your dwelling where you meet with God. If that is so, perhaps one thing you might do is this; mark it. Have a candle, a cross, a bible and icon. Have something you can play music that speaks to you of God. Make that your place of pilgrimage, your holy site. Treasure it. Open your heart to God there regularly. Anticipate that he will be there to meet you.

May Whit Walk at the Cathedral 27th May 2024

Make a note in your diary of this date. We are going to gather at the Metro station, go to Manchester Cathedral, follow the walk and then have a picnic lunch together in Manchester. More details to follow!

BMC Quiet Day

'Be still and know that I am God' the poet writes in psalm 46. Sounds a great idea because it is easy to lose our connection with God in the busyness of life. Being still, however, is not always easy. The Bury Mission Community has arranged a Quiet Day on Saturday 18th May. This is going to be at St Mary in the Baum in Rochdale. Make a note now of the day. More details to follow.

Church Cafe open on Wednesdays and Fridays

The Church's coffee shop will be open each week from 10.30 – 2.30 p.m on Wednesdays and from 11.30 – 1:30p.m on Fridays.

The menu consists of:

- A selection of sandwiches "made to order"
- Fruit pie & cream

- Cakes
- Scones
- Tea
- Selection of coffees

There is also the opportunity for visitors to have some "quiet time" in Church, to light a candle, or, if required, a tour of the Church with one of our volunteers. There will be our normal Wednesday 11.00 a.m. communion service and this is going to revert back to taking place in the South Chapel. The staff will all be Bury Parish Church volunteers and all the proceeds will go into the Church funds.

Pat Webber/Uden

Spoilers – Crossword Answers!

ACROSS: 8, Transgressors. 9, Out. 10, Ephesians. 11, Throb. 13, Ramadan. 16, Nearest. 19, Neath. 22, Childless. 24, Ant. 25, Excommunicate.

DOWN: 1, Utmost. 2, Easter. 3, Assemble. 4, Archer. 5, Isis. 6, To hand. 7, As a son. 12, Hoe. 14, Monastic. 15, Apt. 16, Nuclei. 17, A piece. 18, Tied up. 20, Ararat. 21, Hatred. 23, Dome.

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Guess the birthday of the Rabbit

have been almost 50 people present. A great atmosphere.

We also held a raffle and this raised £97.00 for church funds.

Dawn Wight made a beautiful church funds. The rabbit's birthday much, Dawn.

rabbit with floppy ears and people were asked to guess its birthday for £1.00. This raised £48.00 for was the 6th March and the person who guessed the nearest date was Frankie Simpson. Frankie guessed the 4th March. Thank you very

Book Sale

There will be a sale of "good as new books" on Sunday 7th April. This will take place following the 10.00 a.m. service, in the Blackburne Hall, and payment can be made either by cash or by credit card.

Pat Uden /Margaret Hutchinson

100th Birthday

Mrs Doris Ackers celebrated her 100th birthday on the 17th March and proudly



Sale of Easter Chicks and **Bunnies**

During the past few weeks we have been selling Easter Chicks all hand-knitted by: Beverley Colclough,



Margaret Hutchinson, Joan McVeety, Diana Robinson and June Wight. In addition, Joan McVeety also knitted some Faster Bunnies. The total sum raised for church funds was £110.50.



Thank you very much to everyone who kindly provided these and to everyone who purchased them. Pat Uden

'Bring and Share' Lunch

On Palm Sunday, 24th March, we had a 'bring & share' lunch following the 10.00 a.m. service. What a fabulous array of food we shared together and there must

shows the card she received from King Charles.

Susan Sugden, Janet Hewitt and Susan Young popped in to see Doris taking cards and flowers on behalf of Mothers' Union and BPC. She was well and in good spirits and looking forward to going out for an afternoon tea in celebration of this very special occasion.

Eco tip – Fit more active travel into your day and daily routine.

Re-evaluate your journeys: explore walking or cycling options, or modify your route to include some form of active travel, i.e. disembark a stop early and complete the remaining part of your journey on foot, indulge in a leisurely stroll, or opt for a bike ride along a cyclist-friendly route.

Consider connecting with your local Ramblers or cycling group for shared experiences.

Use the extra steps or the changed travel arrangements as a prompt to pray for God's creation, nature's preservation and the reduction in fossil fuel usage.

Tribute to Pat Sedman

Pat, alongside her husband Keith, and others were instigating members of the Church Walking Group. An organisation which drew me, and others, deeper into the Congregation.

With Margaret Hutchinson, Pat became one of the first Lay Assistants trained to provide Communion to Parishioners unable to attend Church. That building is maintained by the Dust Busters, weekly, and for many years the team was led by Pat.

A fall last November caused a broken shoulder, leading to a period in North Manchester Hospital, followed by a stay in Killelea House. Her recovery is not sufficient for her to be able to return home and she has moved to a Care Home in Lytham St Annes, nearer to her daughter Julie.

The address is:
The Bellingham Care Home,
47 Church Road,
Lytham St Annes,
FY8 5PR,
Phone number 01253 737 356

Children's Society

The parish House Box Collection amounted to £309 and has been paid into the Society account.

On behalf of the Society I would like to thank all who participated for their generosity.

I wish to express my appreciation for the kindness and patience shown to me since taking over from Mike Davis in very sad circumstances last year. I can only hope to emulate the magnificent work Mike carried out on behalf of the Society - Ray Tait

One of the joys of being Bury and Rossendale Deanery Lay Chair, is getting to visit different churches and more importantly, to speak to the wonderful people who worship there.

In January, I visited St Paul's Church in Ramsbottom, St Peter's Church on Manchester Road and I spent a lovely afternoon with two ladies, Sheila and Barbara at St John the Baptist in Bircle talking about Eco Church and all things on their Eco journey, which as you can imagine is



St Pauls Church, Ramsbottom

very different to ours. Thank you both for the hospitality shown to me on that cold January afternoon.

Bury Mission Community, and a good few across the Deanery. It's a reminder that we are not alone in worshipping and praying, and while we love Bury Parish Church, it's also good to get out and discover our sisters and brothers in Christ around our Town, Mission Community, Deanery & Diocese, discovering

St Peters Church, Bury

how different or alike we are.

There are 40+ Churches in Bury and Rossendale Deanery, from Crawshawbooth in Rossendale to Kersal Moor in Salford, if you would like to know more, please come and talk to me. **Kath Pollard, Bury & Rossendale Deanery Lay Chair**



St John the Baptist, Bircle

Bury Parish Church Records of Births, Marriages, & Deaths

One of family tombs in the memorial garden is of Richard Hacking who died in 1855 and during that year 169 burials were recorded at Bury Parish Church. Between 1850 and 1855 there were 661 burials, so an average of 110 per year. In 1855 the Rector was the Rev. Charles Hill. The church also had 3 curates who appear regularly as carrying out burial services – J B Cane, P J Williams and Henry Ainslee. Half-way through the year they were joined by two others who conducted burials - Edward Westerman and James P Yeo. The latter two might have replaced the earlier curates. All were regularly burying people, sometimes doing 2 or 3 services a day. Rev Hill also took a fair number of the services.

The church records do not mention the employment of those who died but this information is given for men who were married at the church, although their brides were all designated as "spinster". In 1824, 200 years ago, there were 269 weddings held in just that year. The Rector was Rev. Geoffrey Hornby with one curate, Robert Yarker who conducted the vast majority of weddings. Occasionally the Rector officiated and sometimes the minister of St John's church, Rev Thomas Selkirk. A few services were conducted by William Dawson, Officiating Minister.

On 1 January 1824 it is recorded that the couple "left before signing the register and cannot be heard of..."

On 12th January, the entry says, "the marriage was postponed until the 13th as the groom was intoxicated".

Those are the only "comments" during the entire year. I felt quite sorry for Robert Yarker who must have been very good at doing weddings after carrying out perhaps 200 services in 365 days.

The largest number, of grooms, by far, were men who worked as weavers or in associated trades such as fuller, spinner, bleacher, carder, printer, dyer, sorter, slubber or measurer. A range of other skilled trades are found, including one or two miners, farmers,

shoemakers and cloggers, carters, millers, sawyers, butchers, farmers, crofters, skip and basket makers, plasterers, masons, tailors, brush makers, retail brewer, innkeeper, blacksmith, machine maker, carpenter and joiner, tinner, rope maker, book-keeper and manservant. All very practical skills much needed at the time and illustrative of the type of economic activity in Bury. There is a striking absence of weddings of the wealthy, professional, managerial classes. Perhaps a look at later years will show a difference as the rebuilt church of 1876 seemed to have a lot of wealthy supporters and the Parish Church was said to be the home of the "carriage trade and gentry" - John Uden

Eco Champions Report March 2024

It is unequivocal that human influence has warmed the atmosphere, ocean and land. The UK and the rest of the world are experiencing rising temperatures, floods, drought, wild fires etc, you get the drift. For the last 12 months, Emma Little, who is the Eco Ambassador for BPC and I have been completing the A Rocha Eco Church Survey. Emma and I are commissioned Eco Champions for Manchester Diocese. A Rocha is a global family of conservation organisations working together to live out God's calling to care for creation and equip others to do likewise.

Eco Church is a scheme run by A Rocha UK equipping churches to care for God's creation through:

- Worship
- Building Management
- Land Management
- Global and Community Engagement
- Individual lifestyles.

By completing an online survey (consisting of 100 questions) churches can be considered for an Eco Church Award at either Bronze, Silver, or Gold level. As you may have heard, at the end of February, Bury Parish Church achieved the A Rocha Eco Church Bronze award, although

Emma and I were very pleased, we know we have a lot of work still to do to achieve our Silver Eco Church award, or to meet the Diocesan carbon neutral goals of being Net Carbon Zero by 2030.

There are various difficulties in having a grade 1 listed building, but they are building and land related not people, so I am asking for your help:

- Can you offer a lift to someone who wants to come to Church, but whose mobility restricts them from attending (Some of you do this already, but we can do better)
- If you are fit and able, could you walk or cycle to Church, if there are enough people I will consider asking the Finance Committee to buy a cycle rack (Some of you already do cycle to Church, but we could do better)
- In a household where there are 2 cars, consider using the smaller more fuel effective car to come to Church
- Consider going plastic free for April and May, see below for ideas:
- Shampoo Bottle, Try using a shampoo bar, delivered by post in a recyclable cardboard box
- Hand Soap, For liquid soap use a refillable bag, or use actual bar soap
- Use bamboo cotton buds, delivered by post in a recyclable cardboard box
- Dishwasher Tabs, delivered by post in a recyclable cardboard box
- Washing Tabs, delivered by post in a recyclable cardboard box
- Toilet Rolls, recycled, delivered in recyclable boxes
- Get milk delivered in bottles endorse your local milkman
- You can get reusable vegetable bags if you are buying loose vegetables from a supermarket

I encourage you to web search products and companies that are environmentally friendly, I can't endorse them, but email me at kath.pollard2@gmail.com and I can advise.

Remember, every little helps!

Kath Pollard - Eco Champion and Emma Little - Eco Champion and BPC Eco Ambassador

Music for April

7th April 2nd Sunday of Easter

Sung Parish Eucharist 10.00am

Mass Setting: Sydney Nicholson:

Holy Communion Service in C

Hymns: 201, 695, 199, 787(I), 204

Voluntary: Jeanne Demessieux:

Hosanna filio David

6.30pm **Evensong**

Hymns: 602, 85, 212

Responses: Harry Bramma

Canticles: George Dyson in C minor

Anthem: William Harris: Most

glorious Lord of Life

Voluntary: Alexandre Guilmant:

Paraphrase sur un chœur de Judas

Maccabæus

14th April 3rd Sunday of Easter

Sung Parish Eucharist 6.30pm 10.00am

Mass Setting David Thorne: Mass of Hymns: 610, 29, 794

St Thomas

Hymns: 208, 197, 709, 209,

(T.362)

Motet: C V Stanford: O for a closer

walk

6.30pm **Evensong**

Hymns: 211, 507

Responses: Richard Ayleward

Canticles: Heny Ley / John Stainer

Anthem: Simon Lindley: Now the

green blade riseth

Voluntary: Dietrick Buxtehude:

Praeludium in C, BuxWV 137

21st April 4th Sunday of Easter

Sung Parade Eucharist 10.00am

Mass Setting: Hymn Setting

Hymns: 567 (T.761), 608, 800, 724,

208 vv1, 2 & 5

Motet: Howard Goodall: The Lord is

my shepherd

Voluntary: Edward Bairstow: Allegro

giocoso

Choral Evensong

Responses: William Smith

Canticles: Herbert Sumsion in A

Anthem: Thomas Tomkins: My

Shepherd is the living Lord

Voluntary: Charles Wood: Prelude on

'Surrey

28th April 5th Sunday of Easter Anthem: Eleanor Daley: Upon your 10.00am Sung Parish Eucharist heart

Mass Setting David Thorne: Mass of Voluntary: Eric Coates:

St Thomas

Hymns: 809, 728, 620 (ii), 664

Motet: Philip Wilby: If ye love me

Voluntary: Theodore Dubois: Laus

Deo

11.30am

6.30pm Evensong

Knightsbridge March

Hymns: 211, 507

Responses: John Sanders

Canticles: Thomas T Noble / Edward

Elgar

Hymns: 357 (arr. RVW), 576, O God Anthem: John Goss: These are they

beyond all praising, 645, 623, which follow the Lamb

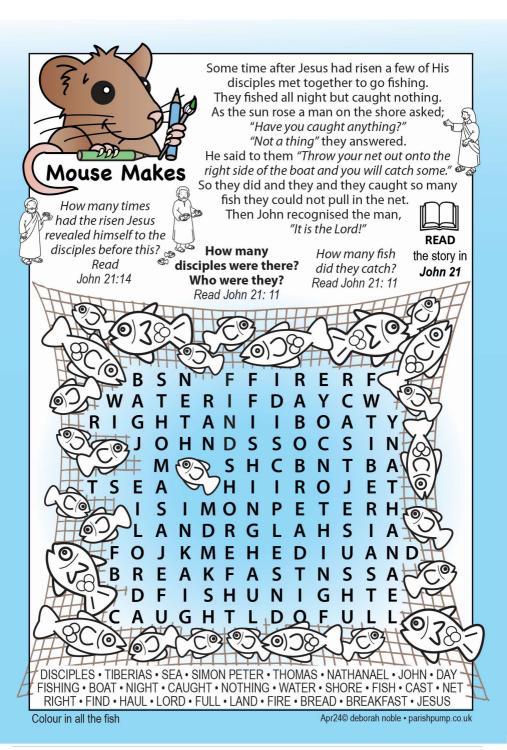
National Anthem Voluntary: Alfred Hollins: Trumpet

Introit: Peter Nardone: I give to you Minuet

Gallipoli Civic Service

a new commandment

	Readings for April	8.00 and 10.00am services	6.30pm Evensong
7	2 nd Sunday of Easter	Acts 4. 32-35	1st Ep. of the
		John 20. 19-end	Annunciation
			Psalm 85
			Genesis 3. 8-15
			Galatians 4. 1-5
14	3 rd Sunday of Easter	Acts 3. 12-19	Psalm 142
		Luke 24. 36b-48	Deuteronomy 7. 7-13
			Revelation 2. 1-11
21	4 th Sunday of Easter	Acts 4.5-12	Psalm 81. 8-16
		John 10. 11-18	Exodus 16. 4-15
			Revelation 2.12-17
28	5 th Sunday of Easter	Acts 8. 26-end	Psalm 96
		John 15. 1-8	Isaiah 60. 1-14
			Revelation 3.1-13



Bury Parish Church



presents the world famous

Black Dyke Band



Thursday, 11th April 2024 7.30pm

Tickets £15.00 (16 & under £7.50)

Tickets://www.buryparishchurch.com/blackdykeband Tickets available in Church on Fridays & Sundays Bury Tourist Information Centre (Moss St. BL9 0DF)

> Email: burypcoffice@gmail.com Bury Parish Church, The Rock, Bury, BL9 0AH



Tickets: £5.00 on the door

Café open Refreshments on sale from 11.30am



5th April Christo Harijan (piano)



12th April TBC

Friday Lunchtime Concerts

19th April Patrick Hemmerlé (piano)



26th April
Dunelm Duo (Lynne Williams flute/clarinet
& Rob Rainford – piano)



https://www.buryparishchurch.com/concerts





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

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ACROSS

- 8 'He poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the ' (Isaiah 53:12) (13)
- 9 'When they had sung a hymn, they went to the Mount of Olives (Matthew 26:30) (3)
- 10 Comes between Galatians and Philippians (9)
- 11 'Your heart will and swell with joy' (Isaiah 60:5) (5)
- 13 Muslim holy month (7)
- 16 Ten ears (anag.) (7)

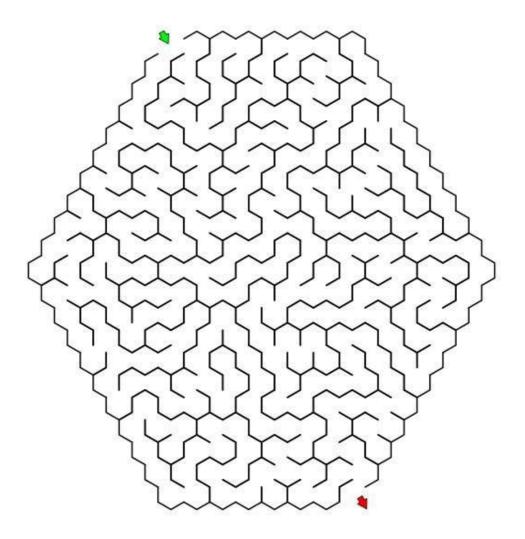
- 19 Under (poetic abbrev.) (5)
- 22 How Abram described himself to God when he complained that his inheritance would pass to a servant (Genesis 15:2) (9)
- 24 'Go to the —, you sluggard' (Proverbs 6:6) (3)
- 25 Debar from receiving Communion (13)

DOWN

- 1 My for His Highest (Oswald Chambers' best-known book)(6)
- 2 Festival of the resurrection (6)
- 3 'His sons will prepare for war and a great army' (Daniel 11:10) (8)
- 4 'Let not the string his bow' (Jeremiah 51:3) (6)
- 5 Name of the River Thames in and around Oxford (4)
- 6 'From then on Judas watched for an opportunity — him over' (Matthew 26:16) (2,4)
- 7 'But Christ is faithful — over God's house' (Hebrews 3:6) (2,1,3)
- 12 Long-handled implement used to till the soil (Isaiah 7:25) (3)
- 14 Order to which monks and nuns devote themselves (8)
- 15 Appropriate (Proverbs 15:23) (3)
- 16 I, uncle (anag.) (6)
- 17 'They gave him — of broiled fish' (Luke 24:42) (1,5)
- 18 'Weren't there three men that we — and threw into the fire?' (Daniel 3:24) (4,2)
- 20 Mountain where Noah's ark came to rest (Genesis 8:4) (6)
- 21 'Don't you know that friendship with the world is towards God?' (James 4:4) (6) 23 Prominent architectural feature of large cathedrals such as St Paul's (4)

The Bible version used in the crossword is the NIV.

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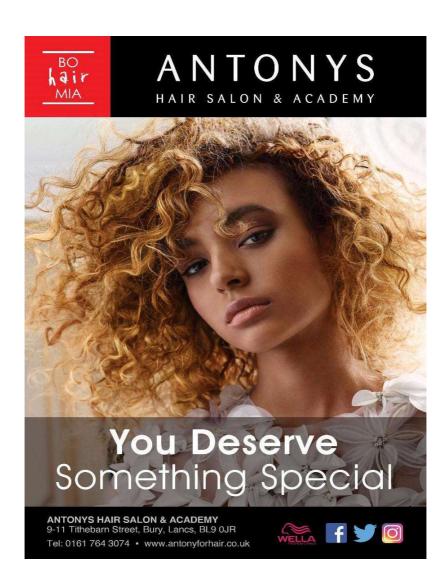
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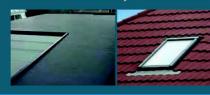
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