Besides his role as Director of Music at Bury Parish Church, **Marc Murray** is also Director of Music of Southport Bach Choir and Chester St. Cecilia Singers. He has completed an MA in Performance Practice at the University of York, specializing in the performance of early organ and harpsichord repertoire under the supervision of Prof. Peter Seymour. Marc plans to remain at the University of York to complete his PhD.

Born and educated in Cape Town, South Africa, he moved to the United Kingdom in May 2010 to take up the post of Director of Music at St Botolph's Church (The Stump), Boston, Lincolnshire. He holds teaching and performing qualifications from the University of South Africa; Trinity College of Music, London and the Royal College of Organists, holding both the Associate Diploma and Choral Directing Diploma of the College.

In South Africa, Marc worked for the National Department of Education on a programme, which gave all school learners the opportunity to participate in choral and solo singing. Here, he was also accompanist and vocal coach to the DoE's South African Youth Choir. He also worked as Acting Chorus Master and Assistant Chorus Master for Cape Town Opera. Marc formed his own chamber choir, The Magnificats in 2003 and was for twenty years, Organist & Director of Music of St Saviour's Church, Cape Town.

Marc is a regular continuo player for Ad Hoc Baroque Ensemble and the University of York's Baroque Ensemble. Over the past year, he has accompanied several choral and operatic societies, and is in great demand as a teacher, vocal coach and accompanist.

Marc is currently President of the Manchester Organists' Association.

Elin Rees, pianist and organist, from Penarth near Cardiff, grew up in a musical family, performing as a piano and harp soloist and accompanist from a young age, attending the Purcell School of Music aged for Sixth Form. After graduating with an MMus from the RNCM in 2011 she spent the last two years as Junior Fellow in Accompaniment at the RNCM, where she will continue to work as a freelance accompanist. While at the RNCM she had the privilege of playing for such great musicians as Leslie Howard, John Tomlinson, Richard Stokes and Krzysztof Penderecki.

She has performed at venues such as the Bridgewater Hall, Manchester, and St David's Hall, Cardiff, is a regular organ recitalist, including recent performances at Bangor and Bradford Cathedrals, and accompanist of singers, instrumentalists and various choral societies and chamber choirs across the North. She is also, of course, Organist here at Bury Parish Church.

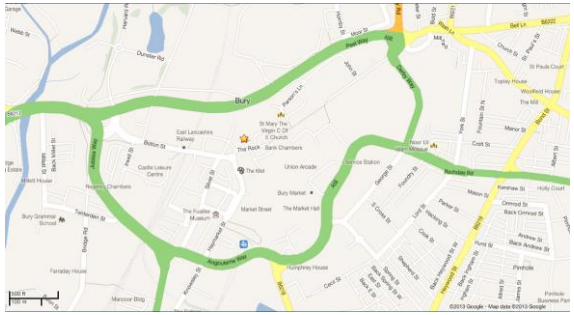
How to get to Bury

Public Transport

Bury is easily accessible via the Metrolink tram service. Trams regularly run through Manchester City Centre from Altrincham or Piccadilly Train Station. The Church is only a minute's walk from the Station at Bury.

By Road

At Junction 2 of the M66, take the A58 Rochdale Road and this will lead you onto the Bury Ring Road. There are a number of places to park in and around the Town Centre only a short walk from the Church, e.g. The Rock Shopping Centre.



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Organist	Miss Elin Rees
Rector	The Revd. Julian Heaton

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Karl Jenkins' *The Armed Man* is full of good tunes, punchy rhythms and unashamed melodrama and is one of his most popular works.
It was written for the Millennium celebrations as an anti-war piece incorporating words from a range of religious and historical sources.

Bury Parish Church
St Mary the Virgin

Come and Sing

with Bury Parish Church Choir

Saturday, 10th November 2018

Karl Jenkins

The Armed Man

A Mass for Peace

Conductor: Marc Murray
Organist: Elin Rees

at Bury Parish Church, Bury, BL9 0LA

The Choir of
Bury Parish Church

The Choir consists of dedicated men and women Adult Choristers, and boy and girl Junior Choristers aged 7 - 16. Their main purpose is to enhance the worship of the church's weekly Sunday morning Eucharist and Evensong Parish services, but the Choir also perform in concert.

The Junior Choristers attend a Choir School on Friday evenings before they are joined by the Adult Choir for their weekly full rehearsal, where they are guided through the RSCM Voice for Life Scheme and ABRSM Theory of Music Grades with the help of our music staff and a singing teacher, followed by social time over dinner and games.

The Choir have sung at some of the UK's top Cathedrals; recent destinations have included Worcester Cathedral in 2005 , St George's Chapel, Windsor in 2006, Bristol Cathedral in 2008, Edinburgh Cathedral in 2011, Canterbury Cathedral in 2013 and Carlisle Cathedral last year. This Summer we sang a week of services at Gloucester Cathedral.

The Choir maintains consistent numbers, but the Director of Music is always very happy to hear from any adults or any parents of children who might be interested in joining the Choir.

Come and Sing

The Armed Man

Saturday, 10th November 2018

Order of the Day

2.00pm	Arrival and Registration
2.30 – 6.00pm	Choir Rehearsal
6.00pm	Tea / Supper Break

Bring your own packed supper
Tea, Coffee and cake will be provided.

7.30pm Performance

A brilliant opportunity for singers of all ages to spend a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon learning and exploring one of the most exciting Choral Works in the repertoire. We shall end with an evening performance of **The Armed Man** to which all Family and Friends are invited.

Cost and Dress

Full Price for Singers:
£7.50 Students : £4
Audience: £5.00
Choir Dress: All Black

Also, if you already own a score then please feel free to bring it along

If you have any questions about the day please see the contact details on the back page of this leaflet or get in touch: buryparishchurchchoir@gmail.com

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Name…….....

Telephone:…….....

Email: …….....

Please indicate your voice (Please circle)

Sop	Alto	Tenor	Bass	Total
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Do you require a score: **YES / NO**

I enclose a non-refundable cheque for £.....….. payable to Bury Parish Church. This reply slip can be dropped off at The House on the Rock at Bury Parish Church or posted to 'Come and Sing', Bury Parish Church, The Rock, BL9 0LA