

Bourne Abbey and Parish Church

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Bourne Abbey Church Group

Sunday 11 February 2024

Next before Lent, Quinquagesima

A warm welcome to all! Please take this pew sheet home and include those listed on the reverse in your prayers.

Are you visiting the Abbey today?

If you are a communicant member of your own church, you are invited to take communion here. If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead, please come forward holding the service booklet as an indication.

Services this week:

Ash Wednesday 14 Feb: 10.00am – Holy Communion

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Thursday 15 February: 10.00am - Holy Communion (BCP)

Sunday 18 February: 11.00am – Sung Eucharist

6.30pm – Deanery Lenten Evensong

Tea and coffee are served after the service; do stay and enjoy Christian fellowship.

Dates for Your Diary

Deanery Lenten Services of Evensong. Bourne is hosting the first service next Sunday at 6.30pm; please support it. See the noticeboard for future host parishes and to offer/ indicate a wish for transport.

Lent Course begins on Thursday 15 February. Fr. Stephen will be running the course at Edenham Retreat House between 7pm & 9pm. See noticeboard for more details and to offer / indicate a wish for transport.

The Abbey at Home, Friday 16 February with the Reverend Sylvia Rice-Oxley. See noticeboard for full details.

Team Clean. The next team clean of the Abbey will take place on Wednesday 21 February (brought forward from Friday 23rd). Arrive between 1000 and 1030 and BYOD & HHV (bring your own duster & hand-held vacuum).

Parish Magazine. Material for the March magazine to Celia Howes by next Sunday, 18 February, please.

Licensing Service - Tuesday 27 February 2024 at 7.00pm. Please sign the list at the back of the church. **LAST CALL!**

Annual revision of Church Electoral Roll. Names already on the Electoral Roll can be checked on the list on the noticeboard. New members are encouraged to join the Roll. Application forms are available from Sarah Speers or the churchwarden. Deadline is 21 March 2024.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting. 18 April at 7.00pm.

Please pray for:

The parish and deanery: for Fr. Peter Lister, the Rev. Sylvia Rice-Oxley, Rev. Canon David Staples, our Ministry Team, Fr. Stephen Buckman & Bishop Hall in his role in Madagascar.

Peace and goodwill within and between nations:

especially for peace and justice in Ukraine, Yemen, Afghanistan, North and South Sudan, the Holy Land and for those countries where democracy is being eroded. We also pray for those in refugee camps for the displaced, wherever they may be.

Those suffering hunger, disease and oppression:

especially those people whose homes have been lost through war, and natural disaster. Also those suffering from the shortage of food, water and medicines particularly in Syria, Central Africa, North and South Sudan, Yemen, Afghanistan and Somalia. We pray for those in our own country who are homeless, hungry and in need of support.

Those in present need.

Those whose illness or recovery is longer-term.

Those being baptised today.

The souls of the recently departed: David Inkel.

Those whose year's mind falls this week:

Leonard Stratton, Michael Howlett, Lawrence Hurd, Charles Baker, Norman Pain, Stuart Woodman, Debbie Falkner, Victor Wherry, Derek Batey, Kenneth Lister, Nathan Edwards, and Kenneth Exton.

We welcome the names of those who are ill or awaiting an operation, so that prayers may be offered for them, and/or a visit arranged.

Our bishops have invited us to consider using the following prayer:

“God of justice and peace, we hold before you the Israeli and Palestinian people in all their need, pain, and fear. Bring an end to humiliation, injustice, corruption and violence. Prosper all who work for peace with justice, that all the people of the Holy Land may know security and prosperity. We ask this through your Son, the Prince of peace, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.”

Foodbank. Urgently needed: tinned vegetables, fruit, soups, custard & rice puddings, jam, marmalade, instant desserts, UHT milk, tea, chocolate & children's lunch snacks, and toiletries. Please leave donations in the plastic box at the back of the church. Many thanks.