

Bourne Abbey and Parish Church

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 Bourne Abbey Church Group

Sunday 9 June 2024

Second Sunday after Trinity – Proper 5

A warm welcome to all! Please take this pew sheet home and include those listed named 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.

Gluten-free wafers are available – please ask a greeter / the Churchwarden.

Services this week:

Morning and Evening Prayer will be said at 0900 and 1730 – as shown in 'This Week at the Abbey'.

Thursday 13 June: 10.00 am – Holy Communion (BCP).

Sunday 16 June: 11.00 am Sung Eucharist.

6.30 pm – Choral Evensong

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

Dates for Your Diary

Brass Cleaning, Saturday 15 June, 1000-1100, chandelier and lectern not included. Marilyn will be pleased to welcome anyone who wishes to help.

Glebe Singers' Concert, Saturday 15 June, 7.30pm, Church Hall. Tickets £10 available after the service – see noticeboard for full information.

Choral Evensong. The Abbey Consort will sing Choral Evensong next Sunday at 6.30pm. All welcome.

Parish Magazine deadline. Material for the July magazine should be with Celia Howes by Sunday 23 June please. It can be given to her at church or emailed to celia.howes45@gmail.com.

Foodbank. The 9 most-needed items are: pulses; rice; squash; tea bags (80 packs preferred); custard (tinned or carton); tinned or packet potatoes; tinned rice pudding; tinned veg; UHT milk. Please leave donations in the plastic box at the back of the church. Many thanks.

Please pray for:

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

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; those suffering from the shortage of food, water and medicines, particularly in Syria, Central Africa, North & South Sudan, Yemen, Afghanistan & 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.

The souls of the recently departed: Robert (Bob) Currell, Simon Wiggins, Pearl Watson, Margaret Harwood, and Joyce Reeson.

Those whose year's mind falls this week: Sheila Lee, Patricia Crosby, Ian Darby, William Hewitt, Albert Cheetham, Phyllis Sinfield, Janet Staples, and Guy Cudmore.

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.

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Abbey Band. A band has been formed and would welcome brass / woodwind players. If you are interested, or know of anyone who might be, please contact Trevor Goodwin on 01778 420373 for a chat.

Prayers and Readings for the Second Sunday after Trinity – Proper 5

Collect of the Day

Lord, you have taught us
that all our doings without love are nothing worth:
send your Holy Spirit
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

First Reading

Reading – Genesis 3:8-15

The man and the woman heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, 'Where are you?'

He said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.'

He said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?'

The man said, 'The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.'

Then the LORD God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?'

The woman said, 'The serpent tricked me, and I ate.'

The LORD God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.

I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.'

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Gospel

Alleluia, alleluia.
Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.
You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia.

Mark 3:20-35

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his companions could not even eat.

When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, 'He has gone out of his mind.'

And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, 'He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.'

And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan?

If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come.

But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin' – for they had said, 'He has an unclean spirit.'

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him.

A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, 'Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.'

And he replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

Post Communion Prayer

Loving Father,
we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son:
sustain us with your Spirit,
that we may serve you here on earth
until our joy is complete in heaven,
and we share in the eternal banquet
with Jesus Christ our Lord.