

**Bourne Abbey and Parish Church**  
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**📍 Bourne Abbey Church Group**  
***Sunday 1 September 2024***  
**Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity – Proper 17**

**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, please come forward with 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 as shown in 'This Week at the Abbey' (usually at 0900 and 1730, but please check the noticeboard or website).

Tuesday 3 September: 1900 - Said Eucharist

Thursday 5 September: 1000 – Said Eucharist (BCP).

Sunday 8 September: 1100 – Civic Service within Sung Eucharist.

**Tea and coffee** are served after the Thursday and Sunday services; do join us for Christian fellowship.

**Please pray for:**

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

**Peace and goodwill within and between nations.**

**Those suffering hunger, disease, oppression, injustice and exploitation.**

**The sick.**

**The souls of the recently departed:** John Goodacre, and Barry Burkitt.

**Those whose year's mind falls this week:** Gwendoline Challoner, John Houldershaw, Mieczyslaw Gregory Cejer, Hilda McMaster, Thelma Moss, Arthur Barnard, Julie Marriott, Thomas Hewitt, and Thomas Key.

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.

## Dates for Your Diary

**Julian Group**, Monday 2 September at 10am, Abbey vestry for 30 minutes of silent prayer and reflection.

**Nibble & Natter** coffee morning, Saturday 7 September, 10am-12noon, Church Hall. Book stall, raffle & refreshments. Proceeds to Church Funds.

**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.

N.B. The information on the 'Bank the Food' app is still out of date, particularly the address; it is no longer in the former URC church but in the Butterfield Centre.

### Services for September

#### Sundays:

First	1100	Sung Eucharist
Second (& fifth)	1100	Sung Eucharist
Third	1100	Sung Eucharist
	1830	Choral Evensong
Fourth	0900	Said Eucharist
	1100	All-age Eucharist

**Tuesdays** 1900 Said Eucharist

**Thursdays** 1000 Said Eucharist (BCP)

**Don't  
forget!**

**1 September 2024**  
**Trinity 14 – Proper 17**

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
whose only Son has opened for us  
a new and living way into your presence:  
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills  
to worship you in spirit and in truth;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Reading**

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

Moses spoke to the people; he said: So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you.

You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!' For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord.

No one comes to the Father except through me.

**Alleluia.**

## **Gospel Reading**

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' Jesus said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, "This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines." You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.'

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.

For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.'

## **Post Communion Prayer**

Father of light,  
in whom is no change or shadow of turning,  
you give us every good and perfect gift  
and have brought us to birth by your word of truth:  
may we be a living sign of that kingdom  
where your whole creation will be made perfect  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.