

Bourne Abbey and Parish Church
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📍 Bourne Abbey Church Group
Sunday 4 August 2024
Tenth Sunday after Trinity – Proper 13

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).

Thursday 8 August: 10.00 am – Holy Communion (BCP).

Sunday 11 August: 11.00 am - Sung Eucharist.

Tea and coffee are served after the service; 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: Ruth Yvonne Greenfield, Caroline Thorpe, and Ann Crump.

Those whose year's mind falls this week: John Tilley, Robin Harwood, Peter Garner, Philip Watts, Helen Orford, Phyllis Dalton, Robert Schwarz, Madeleine Orford, Agnes Baker, George Ranson (priest), Peter Rakowski, Anthony Burkitt, John Smith, Alan Pegler, May Roebuck, and Ian James Godfrey.

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 5 August at 10am, Abbey vestry for 30 minutes of silent prayer and reflection.

'Many hands make light work'. We have hired a skip and will be clearing, cleaning, shelf-building and re-organising the garage on Friday 9 August from 0930. Work may continue on Saturday 10 August if necessary. All help appreciated. Gardening gear and suitable gloves recommended.

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N.B. The information on the 'Bank the Food' app is still out of date.

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Collect

Let your merciful ears, O Lord,
be open to the prayers of your humble servants;
and that they may obtain their petitions
make them to ask such things as shall please you;
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

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, ‘If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.’ Then the LORD said to Moses, ‘I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.’

Then Moses said to Aaron, ‘Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, “Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.”’ And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, ‘I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, “At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.”’ In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, ‘What is it?’ For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, ‘It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.’

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

We do not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia.

John 6:24-35

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were at the place where Jesus had given the bread, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat."'" Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.' Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage,
you have willed that the gate of mercy
should stand open for those who trust in you:
look upon us with your favour
that we who follow the path of your will
may never wander from the way of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.