

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCHES & SERVICES

St Mary's Burwell
St Etheldreda's Reach



22nd September 2024 – 17th Sunday after Trinity

THE SEASON OF CREATION

1st September – 4th October

THIS WEEK

Collect: *Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; 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. Amen.*

Readings: James 3:13-4:3,7-8a Mark 9:30-37

Hymns: MP 327 Immortal, invisible

Brother, Sister, let me serve you

MP 723 We come as guests invited

MP 705 Thy hand O God has guided

SUNDAY WORSHIP

10.00am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

We hope to be able to live stream the 10am service on

Facebook. If so, a recording will be available to watch later.

3.15pm Licensing of Kevin Powell at Bury St Edmunds

RADIO

8.30am Cross Talk on Burwell Community Radio

(repeated at 4.30pm & 7.00pm on Monday)

<http://burwell.radio/>

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Mon 7.30pm Bellringing Practice

Wed 10.30am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

Thurs 9.00am Morning Prayer

Fri 10.00am Refresh Café and Lunch

Sat 9.00am Village Green Prayers

SUNDAY WORSHIP 29th September 2024

10.00am Harvest Communion at Reach

4.00pm Eco Messy Church at St. Mary's

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

- A prayer for the Season of Creation: Lord, make us people who recognise, nurture and act towards a more sustainable world for the benefit of all who draw life from this planet. Raise up campaigners who will speak out for wisdom, restraint and compassion. And teach us to partner you in protecting this precious world and the lives of our most vulnerable global neighbours. Amen. (Tearfund "Hope for Creation" prayer)

- As increasing temperatures threaten the lives of the youngest and most vulnerable across the globe, we pray that action may be taken to limit the damage we are causing our common home. We pray that political leaders be guided by wisdom, vision and courage to work together. For urgent actions to be taken. We pray for all affected by the floods and wildfires in Europe.

- Look with compassion on the world where anger so often prevails over love, where false speech and evil words destroy human fellowship. May all know the peace that is in Christ through his death for the life of the world. For those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment, and compassion to guide their decisions. We pray for just and peaceful solutions to be reached. For the innocent victims of war. May there be an end to hostilities between Israel and the Palestinians, and we continue to pray for the people of Ukraine, for peace and the laying down of weapons.

- For the work of organisations, including Christian Aid, helping families around the world to overcome poverty and injustice, wherever the need is greatest, and there is high risk of famine including: Haiti, Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Yemen, Syria, DRC, South Sudan. As the Red Cross warns of significant barriers to delivering humanitarian aid to war-torn countries, let us come together as a worldwide community and pray for the 25 million people facing acute food insecurity.

- We pray for our government; give them the wisdom and insight that will make them effective servants of your people. May they truly aspire to create changes that benefit those that are most in need, in our society and the wider world.

- For all those struggling in today's difficult economic situation. May adequate immediate provision be made available, and support to find longer term solutions, so that everyone has their basic needs met for food, shelter, employment and security. With there being high unemployment, we pray for those that are job seeking. For people who run foodbanks, in this area and beyond.

- We ask for God's blessing on our local community. Help us to see and serve the needs around us, whether through food banks, charity work, or simple acts of kindness. May we be attentive to the lonely, the marginalized, and those struggling in our midst. Give us the strength to put others before ourselves.

- For our leaders as the Diocese continues the process of choosing a new Bishop of Ely. For this parish, for Eleanor, Paula, Jo, Virginia, and all in leadership positions.

- For Deacon John Morrill, to be ordained priest in Norwich RC Cathedral on Saturday 21st September.

- For Kevin Powell, to be admitted and licensed as Reader in St Edmundsbury and Ipswich diocese on Sunday 22nd September, before being licensed in Ely diocese on 5th October.

- For those living in:- Blossom Close, Montford Close, Ravenward Drive, New Road, North Street, Old Lode Court, Toyse Close, Toyse Lane (Burwell), The Hythe (Reach).

- For those in special need: Danny, Sarah, Jackie C, Neil, Don, Sonya (Anna Hopper's sister), Carol, Janice, John H, Sonny (Jackie & Tony's Great Grandson), Kate, Jennie D, John D, Joanne, Pam C., Jessica, Pauline, Michael (Ysanne's brother), Jackie L., Sue E, Hank.

- For His Majesty, King Charles, and Catherine, Princess of Wales in their ongoing recover from cancer treatment, for comfort, peace and confidence in God's faithfulness.

- For the bereaved, including the families and friends of Barry Seabrook, and for those remembering anniversaries of loss of loved ones.

FOR YOUR ATTENTION

* Do come along to the church **Open Tower** event this Saturday (21st September) 1pm to 4pm. Climb the 113 steps (you must be over 1m tall) to see magnificent views of Burwell and beyond! Have a look and find out about the history of the Church Clock and the Bells. Scrumptious refreshments will be available! Cash or card accepted. Adults £3.00 Under 10s £1.00.

PASTORAL CARE

Please contact Eleanor or Paula with messages about pastoral news, needs & concerns, requests for prayer. Revd Canon Dr Eleanor Williams 01638 741262 vicar@stmarysburwell.org.uk Revd Paula Spalding (Associate Priest): 07849 936085 associatepriest@stmarysburwell.org.uk Revd Virginia Moggridge (Curate) 07566 773020 curate@stmarysburwell.org.uk