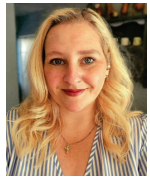


Clergy



Rev Ian Poole



Rev Jo Redding



Glynis Arthur



Phil Thomas



Karen Adcock



Kerry Hoult

District Wardens

Parish Warden

Admin

THE GLORY and THE PAIN

As I write this it is the day after Pentecost Sunday, which surely has to be one of the three most important days in the Christian calendar. The others being Christmas Day and Easter Sunday. Pentecost Sunday is sometimes referred to as 'the birthday of the Church', when the followers of Jesus went from zero to hero and were equipped with love, boldness and power to lift up the Name of Jesus and on the first day of the Church three thousand folk came to faith! We read in Acts 2: 47 that there was much joy and the newly born church experienced *'the favour of all the people'*! The picture this paints is one of overwhelming victory of light over darkness. Not only are the 12 disciples emboldened, but the 120 who gathered in the upper room would have been as well and now huge swathes of the local Jewish population were either coming to faith or standing in awe of this remarkable world transforming event.

So, as we have celebrated this wonderful day and have reminded ourselves of the transforming power that the Holy Spirit can bring into our individual lives, our churches and communities may we continue to open our hands and our hearts to receive more of Jesus, more of the Holy Spirit.

All of this is the 'glory' of the church. BUT just as Pentecost was birthed out of the pain of the Cross so when we experience our own little pentecosts in our churches we also experience spiritual opposition and the difficulties of life usually largely remain. The enemy of our souls not only causes some of our trials but also jumps on the band wagon of our challenges that are common to being human in a fallen world. May we pray for strength to persevere in any challenges and sadnesses we may face so that Jesus can be exalted in our midst in Bushbury Parish.

Can you help out?

Please consider going on a rota to be occasionally available to **lock the church hall** after it has been used for a hire event.

We always welcome teams to **make refreshments** after a Sunday service.

The **sound and audio system** needs new operators to cover for the existing team / work on a rota system. If you are interested, please speak to one of the wardens.



Church Administrator

Kerry Hoult - adbush@hotmail.co.uk 01902 782226.

Kerry's hours are Monday and Wednesday - 9.00am - 2.00pm and Friday 9.00 am - 1.00 pm

Thanks must go to **listed Places of Worship** for the funding to repair the roof of our church.

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June 2026



Welcome!

You are very welcome to join us today.

Please ask questions if you are not sure where or what things are or what they mean and we would be delighted to help.

Services:

9am Communion Service

10:30am The Gathering

St Mary's Church, Bushbury Lane, Bushbury, Wolverhampton

bushburyteamministry.co.uk

facebook.com/stmaryschurch.bushbury

Welcome



Church Facilities There's a loo on the far side of the church from the main door, next to the organ.

Accessibility We have a **hearing loop**. Please switch to T when appropriate. Please tell us if it is not working.

During most services **we do not go up the steps** at all so everything should be easily accessible.

The parish is working on becoming more accessible to people with dementia.

Holy Communion We can offer **non-alcoholic wine and gluten-free wafers** on request. Please check this with the Church warden before the service.

If it's a communion service today and you are not familiar with this or do not share the Christian faith, please do not feel pressured to participate. When people move to the front to take the bread and wine, please feel free to come forward for a blessing.

Sunday Club We love to have children in our services! We currently don't run a creche but do have children's groups. Please feel relaxed with young children you are very welcome here.

Sunday Club joins service at the beginning and then goes to the Church Hall returning for the end of the service.

Ladies Breakfast at The Good Shepherd on the first Saturday of every month at 10am. You are very welcome to come and join the conversation and enjoy a continental style breakfast. There is no charge, but donations are welcome. To book a place, sign up at the back of church.

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Church Diary



Little Angels Moms & Tots meet in the Church Hall on Wednesdays 1:15 - 3pm.

Walking Group meet each Saturday at 9.45 at St Mary's church hall for approximately a 1hour 15-minute walk, returning for coffee and tea.

Youth Club every week every Friday 7:15 - 8:45pm at St Mary's church Hall. Every fourth Friday is at St James' Church.

Sunday Club on 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th June.

Church Grounds Work Party at 10 - 1pm on Saturday 6th and 20th June.

Oasis Ladies Group on Mondays 1st, 15th and 29th June at St Mary's Church Hall - 1:30-3pm.

Ladies Breakfast 10am 6th June, first Saturday of each month at The Good Shepherd. Sign up at the back of church.

Men's Breakfast 10 - 11.30am Saturday 13th June.

Outreach BBQ 5 - 7pm Saturday 13th June at St Mary's Church Hall. It's free! All are welcome!

City Wide Prayer 7 - 8pm Thursday 18th June at Christian Life Centre. Sedgley Street, WV2 3AJ.

Alpha Day Away Saturday 20th June. Please pray!

Joanne's Ordination 4pm Saturday 27th June at Lichfield Cathedral.

Coming up ...

Ladies Breakfast 10am on Saturday 4th July.

Picnic, Games and Fun Saturday 4th July 1 - 3pm at Northwood Park.

Deanery Prayer, Fellowship and Food 6 - 8pm Sunday 5th July at The Epiphany.

Oasis Ladies Group on 13th July.

Men's Breakfast 10 - 11.30am on Saturday 18th July.