

Busby Church News of Worship Services

In addition to regular worship every Sunday at 11am, Busby Church has four special events coming up before Christmas.

Remembrance Day

This year in Busby Church we observe Armistice Sunday at 10.45am on 8th November. This is the day when we reflect on, and give thanks for, the men and women of Busby who gave their lives for our freedom in two world wars, and subsequent conflicts.

We mark the occasion with a two minute silence at 11am. Our trumpeter plays the **Last Post** before, and **Reveille** after the silence. A wreath is placed before the communion table, and the Roll of Honour (listing the names of the Busby folk who died in the wars) is solemnly read. It is sobering to hear how many members of the same families made the ultimate sacrifice.

Did any of **your** family die in the wars? Do you **know** if any family members died? In either case, why not come along and remember the folk of Busby who went off to war in defence of their country and did not return.

Tea, coffee, cake and chat is available after the service.

Nine Lessons & Carols

Busby Church celebrates the approach of Christmas by offering a service of **Nine Lessons and Carols** at 11am on Sunday 29th November. This form of church service dates back more than 100 years. There is no sermon. The **Christmas Story** is told in nine short bible readings, and between the readings we sing nine carols, some by the choir, and some by everyone. This is always a popular Sunday service.

As usual tea & coffee is available after the service.

Time to Remember

Have you lost a loved one this year? Or, as the winter days grow shorter, do you find that your thoughts turn to folk that you have loved and lost; someone you still remember fondly although the years have passed? At 2pm on Sunday 13th December Busby Church offers a **Time to Remember**, a quiet service with appropriate readings and music. There is an opportunity to light a candle in memory of a loved one, and a chance for silent reflection.

Again, if you feel like it, tea & coffee is available afterwards.

Watchnight

This is your chance to bring in Christmas in style. On 24th December Busby Church has its annual **Watchnight Service**. Mince pies are served in the hall from 10pm. If you don't fancy the mince pies, you can go directly into the church for the service which starts at 11.30pm. After a few carols and a short address, we wait in silence (the church lit only by our hand-held candles) until midnight when the church bell rings, and ushers in Christmas Day. This is a memorable service for young and older family members alike, and makes Christmas very special.

Why not join us at Busby Church. All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you.