

Barbara Heseltine and Monica Furlong

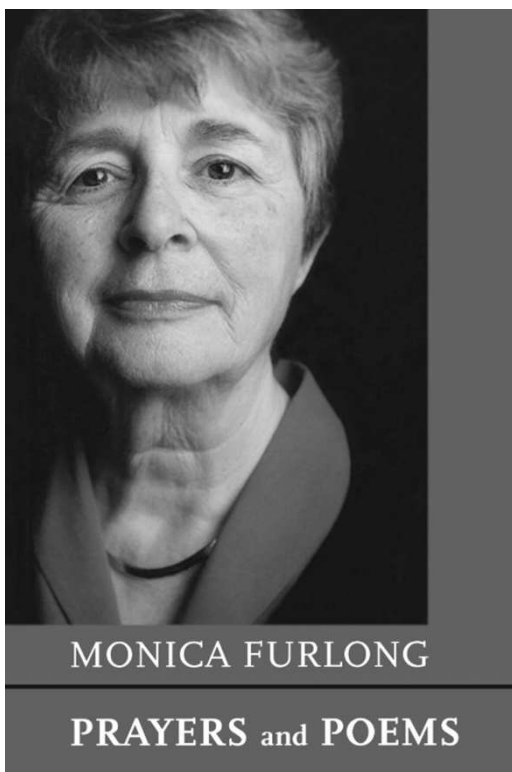
Barbara Heseltine (née Pitt) was a head girl at the Beckenham Grammar school and is now assistant non-stipendary priest in St Feock, Truro, being one of the first 32 Anglican women priests in 1994, and previously a deaconess from 1988.

The late Monica Furlong was a member of Holy Trinity Church in Lennard Road. An author and poet, she campaigned hard for women to become priests. In 1991, she observed that “Attempting modestly to catch a small fish, to get women ordained, we were astounded to discover that we had got Leviathan at the end of the line”.

A year later on the 11th November 1992 the Archbishop of Canterbury announced that the Synod of the Church of England had passed a motion that women would be priests.

Included among the hymns and music played during the first Ordination of Women Service in Bristol Cathedral in 1994 were *Panis Angelicus* (Franck), and *Lift Up Thine Eyes to the Mountains*.

Both will be sung by the Ladies Choir. The first to celebrate Barbara’s 25 years as a parish priest and the second to remember Monica Furlong.



Barbara Heseltine with a panel showing the Lords Prayer in Cornish.