



St. Bede Parish Morris Green, Bolton

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11th March 2018

4th Sunday of Lent – Mothering Sunday

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

Thank God for Mothers...
who sacrifice their time for our
happiness,
and give us the freedom to be
ourselves,
even when we disagree.

Thank God for Mothers...
who make home a place called love,
who desire the bond of togetherness,
even in the midst of confusion .

Thank God for Mothers...
who never give up on us,
who willingly believe in us,
and who faithfully stand by our side.

Thank God for Mothers...
who patiently try to understand us,
and consistently overlook our faults
with tenderness and love.

Thank God for Mothers...
who don't expect perfection,
from us or themselves,
and who lead us to the only One who
is...
perfect.

Thank God for Mothers.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

"Her children arise and call her
blessed." Proverbs 31:28 NIV

Today's Service

This week is **Family Communion –
Mothering Sunday** Readings are:
Exodus 2 vs. 1-10 & Luke 2 vs. 33 –35

Next week is **Holy Communion and
Groups** Readings are: Hebrews 5 vs.
5-10 & John 12 vs. 20 –33

Today's Collect

God of love, passionate and
strong, tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us all the
days of our life; through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

**We have started to issue Anniversary of
Baptism cards to those children (and Adult's)
who have been baptized at St Bede over the
last 2 years.**

**We are issuing reminders in these cards of our
services and we will be organising a 'special'
morning worship later in the year for those
celebrating an anniversary in 2018.**

Please pray...

Marcus and Belinda Kelly
Janet Wall - for her closeness to God
Jeff Archibold
Baby Anthony Ross Evans
Mark & Paula Hulse
Jean Heyes
Marlene Wolstencroft
Michael Harmsworth
Doreen Ridyard
Minti Radia
Ronnie Ditchfield
Margaret Hayes
Gabrielle Ridyard
Barbara Platt
Bill & Joyce Bancroft
Bill Brown – for Bill's soul and for his
family in their sad loss
Mark Emerson
Andrew Taylor
Carys Leonard
Petra Bryan
Colin Stiff
Toby Matthews
Baby Louie
Dean, Kirsty & Max

*We come before you, O Lord, with nothing
except the gift of our hearts in prayer. Hear us
and bring us your peace.*





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#LIVELENT
LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

St Bede's Church has its own Book of Remembrance. If you would like to add the name of a loved one in the Book of Remembrance, please see Judith Kelleway or one of the Wardens who would be happy to arrange that for you. If you would also like to donate flowers to the Church in memory at any time, Sharron would be happy to arrange them for you.

LENT PREPARATIONS

Lent Courses at St Andrews starting @ 7.30pm;

Starting **Thursday 22nd February**

This year's Lent Course is titled '**Reasons to Believe**' and will run every Thursday for 5 weeks.

22nd Feb: 'How do you know it's true?'

John Armstrong

1st March: 'Is the bible a myth?'

John Armstrong

8th March: 'Is Jesus unique?'

Tony Butterworth

15th March: 'Where is God in suffering?'

Julia Davies

22nd March: 'Open mike night'

AGAPE Meal on Thursday 29th March @ 7.00pm

LENTEN FILM BOX FILL

Freda & Rodney are again operating this fund raiser for the duration of Lent. The film boxes are at the back of church and we encourage everyone to fill as many as they can with 50p or/and 20p's. The total contents will be shared between church and our 2018 charity; The Church Army. There are information books on the table in the porch to give you an insight into what they do for the needy. Please help in this as your Lenten commitment and money can be handed in when you have a full box until Easter Day. Thank you

**CHURCH
ARMY**



News...



SONGS OF PRAISE SUNDAY

We are looking to organize a "Songs of Praise" Sunday where we slightly adapt our morning service to sing all your favourite hymns.

You will find forms at the back of Church for you to complete for your requests and once we have collected all the requests, we will arrange our own "Songs of Praise". Further details to follow.



OUR NEXT FUNDRAISING EVENT

Our next Fundraising/Social event is the **Easter Egg Bingo** on **Friday 23rd March 2018** at 7:00pm in the Church Community Room. Entrance is by Ticket only and the price includes 6 games of Bingo. Ticket costs are **£5.00 for Adults** and **£3.00 for children**. Additional *flyers* will be available to purchase on the night. We have limited space so get yours quick from Sharron Howard TODAY!!

Light Refreshments will also be available

DONATIONS PLEASE!!!!

We require donations of Easter Eggs for our BINGO night on **Friday 23rd March**.

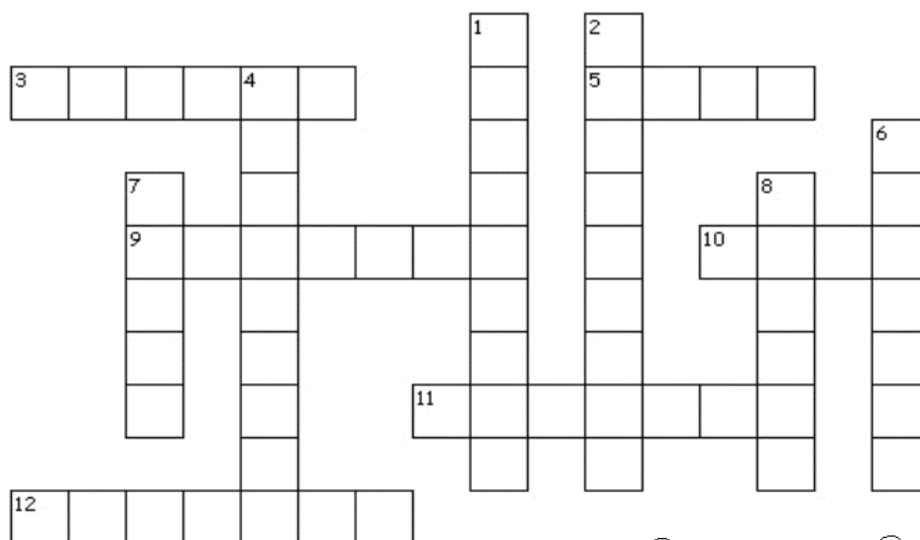
There will be boxes near the font at the back of church for all donations. Eggs of all sizes required as well as large chocolate bars please. Many thanks

Our Church depends very heavily on fundraising as well as regular giving to keep our Church afloat. We work very hard to put on different events but we need these events to be supported if they are to be successful in raising funds and providing opportunities to share fellowship as a Church.

Church Rocks & Shiny Pebbles



'When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Dear woman, here is your son," and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his own home.' *John 19: 26-17*



Word List: awesome, brunch, candy, celebrate, chocolate, flowers, hugs, love, mother, nurture, present, wonderful

Across

3. Special meal between breakfast and lunch.
5. Tight squeeze.
9. Inspiring awe.
10. The feeling mom has for her children.
11. To help someone grow up.
12. A bouquet of these will make mom's day!

Down

1. Amazing or astonishing.
2. Mom's favourite cocoa indulgence.
4. To engage in festivities.
6. A gift.
7. Sweet treats.
8. The woman who loves you no matter what!

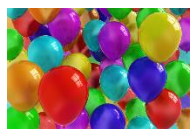


As you have received, so may you be pleased to give.

St Bede's is a living Church and its people are The Church. The Church's only financial support is its own Church family.

Please try to support the social and fundraising events as they are vital not only to the financial wellbeing of our Church, but are great opportunities to get to know one another better.

Your Church thanks you for your gifts of money, time and talents.



JUBILEE AND COMMUNITY ROOMS

The Community Room and the Jubilee room are available to hire for parties, meetings etc. Please see one of the Church Wardens, Gill or Jean

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More News & Cluster News...

LIVERPOOL TALL SHIPS

Josie and Elizabeth from Deane Church (St Mary's) invite ladies (and accompanying gentlemen!) from the church family to join them on a Grayway coach trip to the Tall Ships Festival in Liverpool on **Saturday 26th May**. The cost is £13.00. If they can get 15 participants the coach will pick up at Deane Church at 9.45am (otherwise it will be at Bolton Interchange at 10am)

If you wish to go along, please put your money in an envelope clearly labelled to Josie or Elizabeth and pass to Tony Whitehead by **Wednesday 21st March** at the latest.

REV. JOHN ARMSTRONG'S LAST SERVICE AT ST BEDE...

...will be on **Sunday 18th March 2018**. We will be organising a *Bring & Share Lunch* for after this service in the Community Room.

There will be a list at the back on Church to indicate what you are prepared to bring to share. Please join your Church Family to say farewell and good luck to John & Helen on the next leg of their journey.



Thank you to everyone who supported me with my fundraising for the Alzheimer's Society. The total raised so far currently stands at £670. This money will help to support those who are affected by this devastating illness. Thank you.

Will Bateson.