

14th April
2019



Palm Sunday

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

Surely there is a story behind this story of Jesus arriving Jerusalem? There is the whole intrigue of secret passwords, as if there is a network of Jesus followers. Clearly, if this is so, Jesus movement was seen to be quite at odds with the Romans. We may see this as obvious but we don't often tell the story as if there was danger to those who lifted their heads above the crowd. Though this is what Jesus does, because the other story behind the story is the alternative parade into Jerusalem that day of Pilate arriving for Passover, Pilate who rarely came to Jerusalem because it was too hot. That would have been the bigger parade, with standard bearers and a crowd shouting because they were compelled to do so rather than because they wished to do so. Contrast that with Jesus' much smaller parade, but that was clearly seen as a counter kingdom parade to the Romans'. The big thing about the triumphal entry is that it isn't. Nothing happened. It's one of the great anti-climaxes in the gospel. We have all the street theatre, and the mocking of the Roman governor, but in the end, Jesus just turns round and goes back to Bethany. People's expectations are unmet. They are crying for some kind of revolution in the shape of the historical past but it doesn't materialise. Perhaps this disappointment in Jesus is the beginning of the turning of the crowd.

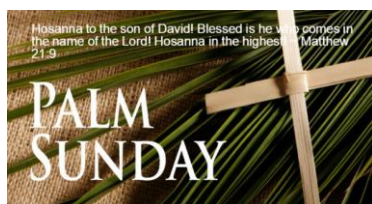
Today's Service

This week is **Holy Communion & Groups PALM SUNDAY** Readings are: Philippians 2 vs.5-11 & Luke 23 vs. 1 – 49

Next week is **EASTER DAY Family Communion** Readings are: Acts 10 vs.34-43 & John 20 vs. 1 – 18

Today's Collect

True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory.



Please pray...

Jean
Marlene
Michael
Doreen
Minti
Ronnie
Carys
Rachel
John
Johanna
John
Norma & David
Bernard
Edward
Lynn
Andrew
Will
Barbara
Wendy
Yasmin
Lynn

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





News...

LAMB MISSION PARTNERSHIP - WINE TASTING EVENT

Thursday 16th May, 7:30pm, Lostock Church Centre - Octagon Lounge

We have re-arranged the Wine Tasting event that was due to be held during our mission week last year.

To book a ticket please email missionpartnership@gmail.com or contact Deane Church Office on 01204 659637.

GOOD FRIDAY MESSY CHURCH – Friday 19 April at 10.00 am

Explore the amazing Easter story through reflection, activities, crafts, games and an all-age celebration. There will be food too.

All welcome – children please bring an adult.



FESTIVAL OF MALE VOICE

The 40th Bolton Festival of Male Voice Praise is on Saturday 27th April 2019 at 6.30pm Victoria Hall. Go along and enjoy and evening of Christian Praise!

FORTY DAYS – FORTY ITEMS

Please start bringing your 40 items to Church please. We want to get them distributed very soon after Easter. Thank you for your support.



MAUNDY THURSDAY AGAPE MEAL AT ST ANDREWS

Thursday 18 April at 7.00 pm. Cost £4 per head. 2 courses (vegetarian option available)

Please let Kath Carrodous know if you would like to attend, together with your £4.



LENTEN FILM BOX FUND RAISER

For the duration of Lent, Freda & Rodney are once again asking you to take a film box from the back of Church and fill it with 50p coins. Children can join in and put 20p coins in one.

It is a good fundraiser and half the proceeds go to Unique – our Charity Partner for 2019. Before Easter Day (21st April) please give the filled boxes to either Freda or Rodney and perhaps take another!

Thank you



St Bede Charity
Partner 2019;



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

PALM SUNDAY COLOURING SHEET



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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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

Quiz Night – with a difference! - Friday 17th May 2019 – Ellesmere Club @7pm

Adults £5.00 Children £3.00 – Ticket includes Pasty & Pea supper. On sale very soon!

STRICT RULE – no teams of more than 4 please! NO exceptions!

Excellent Raffle Prizes up for grabs and a winning team prize!

Posters are now available from Freda and tickets will be on sale from Easter Day!



Summer Fayre – discussions currently underway – watch this space!

Strawberry Afternoon Tea – Saturday 8th June 1.00pm – 3.00 pm

Harvest Supper Quiz – Friday 4th October -7.00pm Ellesmere Club.

