




St. Bede Parish  
Morris Green, Bolton

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1<sup>st</sup> April  
2018

EASTER SUNDAY - ALLELUIA!!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

## Guest Editorial

We are celebrating Easter, the rising from death to life of Jesus our King, there is no place for morbidity, in the resurrection story, only hope!

Easter is a time of New Life, Joy, energy and Love, a time when Christ is proclaimed ALIVE and well, NOT dead! A time when salvation has been secured for all who turn to Jesus.

As you munch your way through your Easter Egg, you will find it to be hollow! There is nothing hollow about the message of salvation, it is full of the offer of hope, forgiveness, love and grace, read the Easter narrative and allow God into your heart and life

Join us at St Bede as we go forward in the Grace of Jesus this Eastertide, all are welcome.

Rev Malcolm

## Today's Service

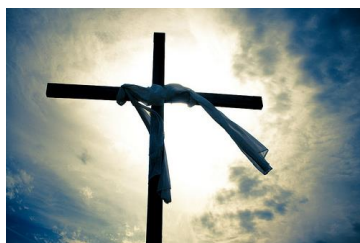
This week is **Family Communion – EASTER SUNDAY** Readings are:

Acts 10 vs. 34-43 & John 20 vs. 1 – 18

Next week is **Holy Communion and Groups** Readings are: Acts 4 vs. 32-35 & John 20 vs. 19 – end

### Today's Collect

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope: for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open on our Saviour Jesus Christ



### 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  
Mark Emerson  
Andrew Taylor  
Carys Leonard  
Petra Bryan  
Colin Stiff  
Toby Matthews  
Baby Louie  
Dean, Kirsty & Max  
Gill Blackburn

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





 **THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND**  
Diocese of Manchester



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.

### LET THE CELEBRATIONS BEGIN...

Easter Day marks the beginning of fifty days of celebrating Jesus' resurrection. The final ten days begin on Ascension Day where we celebrate Jesus' ascension into heaven. Churches around the country mark the day with services, sometimes outside or on church roofs. Finally, at the end of the fifty days, we celebrate Pentecost (sometimes called Whitsun) when Jesus' disciples received the gift of the Holy Spirit. This is often referred to as the birthday of the Church and is celebrated with parties and Whit walks (processions through town).

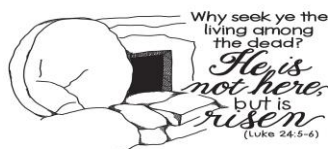
### LENTEN FILM BOX FILL

Please can you return all your filled film boxes today. If you didn't manage to get around to taking a film box, would you consider making a donation instead? If you are a Tax payer, please complete a Gift Aid envelope so that we can make your donation worth 25% more. Thank you



**Bolton Hospice**  
caring from the heart

Bolton Hospice are about to open a new shop and café at Astley Bridge, in the old bank at the side of Asda. The café will be called 'The Old Bank Café' and Sophie, the new café manager, is seeking volunteers! If you or anyone you know are able to help for 3 hours a week please get in touch with Sophie on 01204 663 063 or email [sophie.price@boltonhospice.org](mailto:sophie.price@boltonhospice.org).

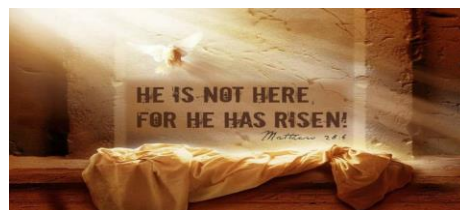


## News...

### 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.



### HOLY WEEK POSTER

Please remember to *fold down your Holy Week poster* today.

### CONFIRMATION SERVICE

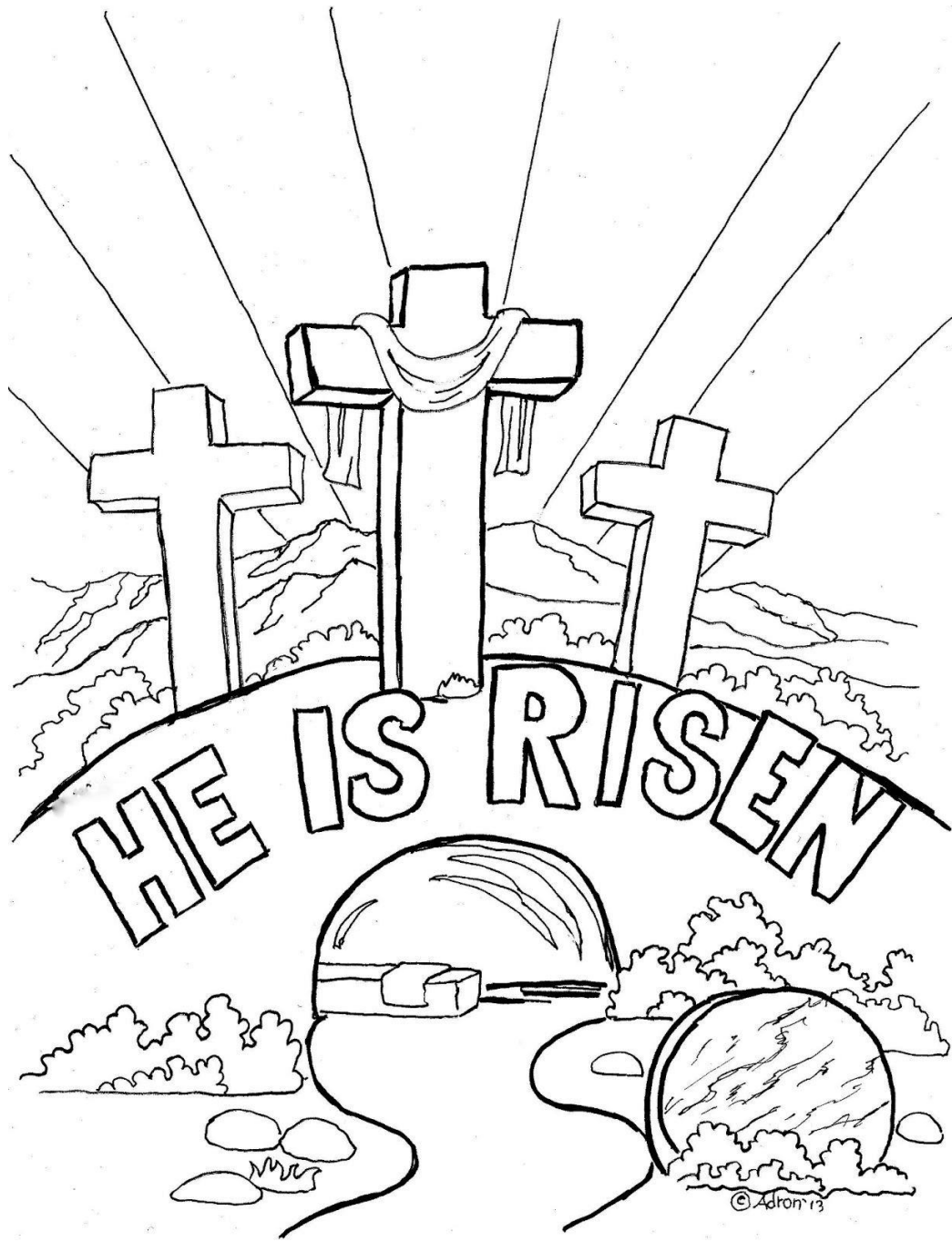
A service of confirmation will take place in St Bede at 6.30 on **May 27th** by the Bishop of Bolton. Confirmation classes will commence on the 9th April at 7.00. Will anyone who wishes to be confirmed in their faith (Adult or young person) who has not already done so, please give your names to Revd Malcolm.

We look forward to sharing this joyful time of confirmation and commitment with all candidates - we will support and encourage you in your faith in the risen Jesus.

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

# HAPPY EASTER



## EASTER COLOURING PAGE



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*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.*

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## 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...

### OUR NEXT FUNDRAISING EVENT

Family Quiz Night to be held at the Ellesmere Club on **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 7.00pm**

Donations of Raffle Prizes gratefully received.

**Tickets available from Sharron**

