

St. Bede Parish Morris Green, Bolton

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22nd April 2018

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

**"A heart at peace gives life to the body,
but envy rots the bones"**

Proverbs 14:30 NIV bible

I have had a lot of time on my hands this past 2 or 3 weeks being in pain and not being able to walk much and enforced immobility. Thankfully, I am much better and getting about a bit more. However, when you are not feeling well, in pain or under pressure, it is easy to let those pressures and distractions of life pull our thoughts away from the Father. It doesn't take long before we are so focused on earthly things that we feel overwhelmed and all stressed out. But we weren't meant to live our lives in anxiety, we were meant to live our lives in peace.

Did you know that the best thing you can do for health is to set your heart at peace with God? Peace isn't just a feeling, it's a powerful position. Peace literally means "to set at one again". In other words, we can be settled in our minds and hearts when we are in alignment with the Word of God.

Today, choose to keep your heart at peace by staying focused on Jesus Christ. Give life to your body by staying in agreement with Him. Let His peace guard your heart so that you can be equipped to live the abundant life He has promised to you! Praise be to Him for healing our minds and bodies! Amen!

Thank you for your prayers - they have worked! *Sharron*

Today's Service

This week is **Together for God**

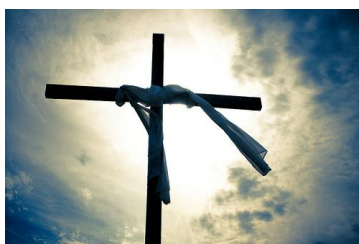
Readings are: Acts 4 vs. 5-end & 1 John 3 vs. 16 – end

Next week is **Songs of Praise**

Sunday Readings are: Acts 8 vs. 26-end & 1 John 4 vs. 7 – end

Today's Collect

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep; teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father.



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
Rachel Baillie
Sharron Howard

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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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.

OUR NEXT FUNDRAISING EVENT

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

Donations of Raffle Prizes gratefully received!

LAST CHANCE to get tickets today from Kirsty and Tony and flyers are at the back for distribution. Please take your own street and those immediately adjacent to get a much publicity as possible. Please complete the associated sheet so we know what streets are left. Thank you

AN INVITATION FROM LYNN...

You are invited to my 61st Birthday at Toby Carvery around 4pm on 4th May 2018. Meals need to be paid for individually, but a birthday celebration cake will be provided by me.

Hope to see you all for a lovely meal, celebration, fellowship and social with the church family. There is a card in the porch, please put your name down. Thank you, *Lynn*

POSTERS

Our Church needs more advertising by poster for our fundraising events. If you are prepared to display our posters, please see Freda Turner. Thank you



News...

SONGS OF PRAISE SUNDAY

We are having our "Songs of Praise" Sunday on **Sunday 29th April**.

All the hymns have been collated and we will have a special service sheet for next week.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Our APCM is to be held after today's service. All welcome to attend. However, only those on the Electoral Roll are eligible to vote.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

A service of confirmation will take place in St Bede at 6.30 on **May 27th** by the Bishop of Bolton and Confirmation classes have commenced for our candidates.

LONE VISITS TO CHURCH

Just a reminder to those who have keys for Church, if you do come into church by yourself, please ensure someone is aware where you are.

NETWORK CIRCLE FOR DEAFNESS (N.C.F.D)

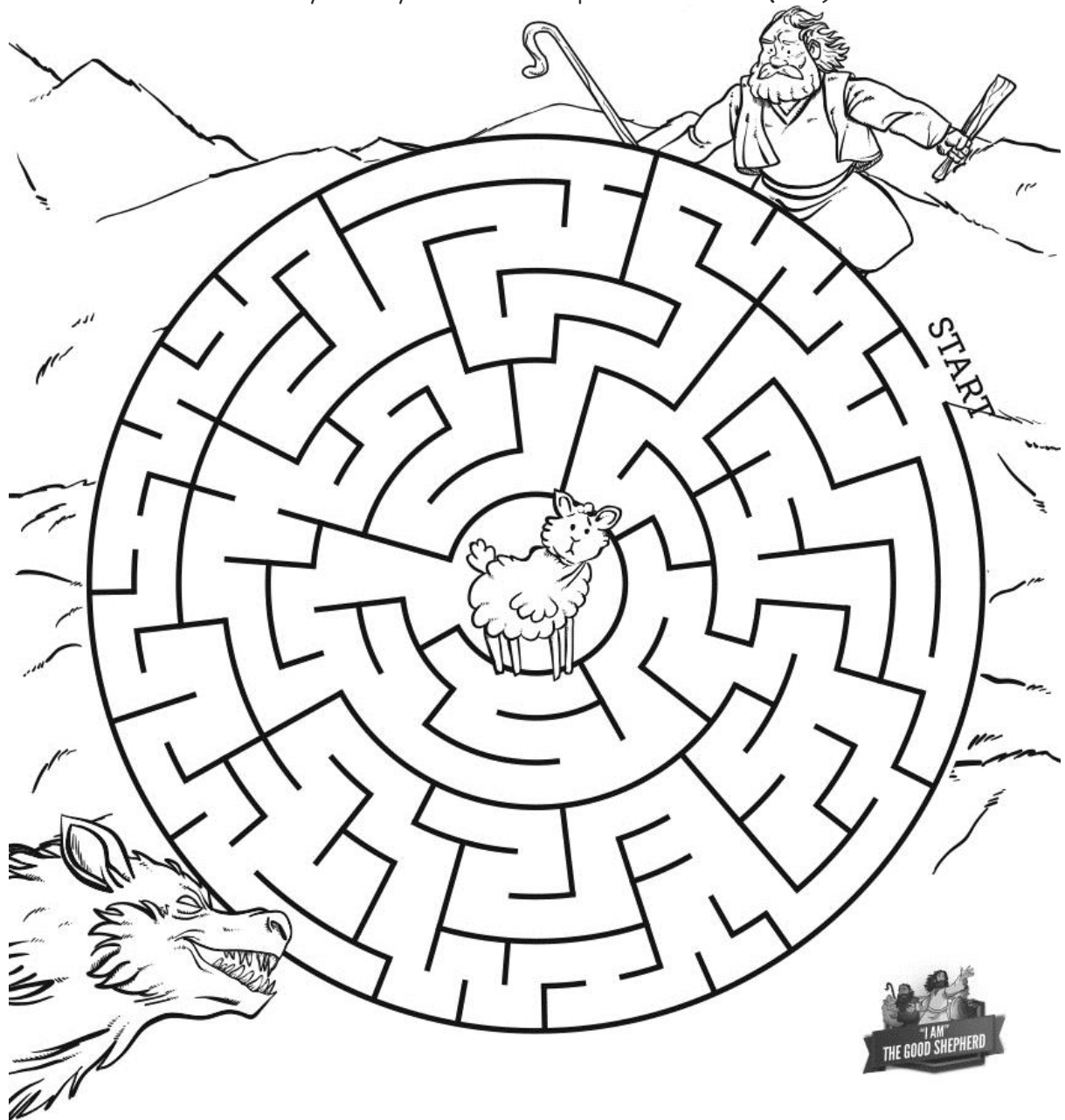
The N.C.F.D help the deaf/hard of hearing/deaf-blind people make progress with benefits and other issues. Please see the flyer in the notice board for further information.

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

The Good Shepherd

"I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me-just as the Father knows me and I know the Father- and I lay down my life for the sheep." *John 10:14-15 (NIV)*



Help the good shepherd find his way to the sheep before the wolf attacks the sheep.

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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