



St. Bede Parish
Morris Green, Bolton

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25th
February
2018

2nd Sunday of Lent

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

When others look at your life, do they know that God loves you? Can they see the change in you? do they know you are a follower of His? Remember, the evidence is in your own words and actions. The most important thing you could ever know and show is that God loves you. His love changes us. his love empowers us. His love takes us to new levels. His love gives us eternal life.

Open your heart fully and receive His love today. then turn around and love Him in return by following His commands. Make the decision today to let His love show all over you!

"For we know dear brothers and sisters loved by God, that He has chosen you to be his own people"
(1 Thessalonians 1:4)

"Father in Heaven, thank you for loving me, for empowering me and changing me to be more like You. Have your way in my heart so that I can be a shining light of Your love to the people around me."

Sharron

Today's Service

This week is **Together for God**

Readings are: Romans 4 vs. 13-end
& Mark 8 vs. 31 – end

Next week is **Holy Communion & Groups** Readings are: 1 Corinthians 1 vs. 18-25 & John 2 vs. 13 –22

Today's Collect

Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; 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
Mark Emerson
Andrew Taylor
Carys Leonard
Petra Bryan
Colin Stiff
Toby Matthews
Baby Louie

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
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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.

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP

Today we welcome "IGNITION" from St Andrews to assist in our morning worship. Please join us in welcoming them to St Bede.

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**

Dates for your Diary

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD SCHEME

We continue to welcome Shardai Bristow, Casey Johnson, Keiron Bowes and David Neild from St Catherine's Academy who are here for to help with Tea, Coffee etc as part of their Duke of Edinburgh award scheme.

SONGS OF PRAISE SUNDAY

Do you have a favourite hymn? Is it not sung enough? Well, your prayers have been answered! 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 attached a form 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.



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. Further details of the night will follow shortly. Many thanks.

THANKS

To all who helped and supported yesterday's Charity event. Any support is appreciated!



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



TAKE UP YOUR CROSS

'Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me and for the gospel will save it. What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his soul?' *Mark 8:34-36*

Code breaker - Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.

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1. 10-16-25-19 _____
2. 20-16-13-18-13 _____
3. 13-21-22-16 _____
4. 4-23-3-2-10 _____
5. 13-18-26-26-16-3 _____
6. 2-17-26-16 _____
7. 13-23-18-2 _____
8. 11-21-17-25 _____
9. 1-21-9-16 _____
10. 7-17-6-13-16-2-26 _____
11. 1-16-21-5-7 _____
12. 5-3-23-13-13 _____
13. 26-23-2-2-23-4 _____
14. 2-23-13-16 _____
15. 26-23-3-26-16-17-1 _____

SAVE	TAKE	SOUL	DENY	HIMSELF
WORLD	CROSS	FOLLOW	JESUS	LOSE
FORFEIT	GAIN	TEACH	LIFE	SUFFER

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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LUNCHEON CLUB

The luncheon club meets on **the first Wednesday of every month at 12.00 noon for 12.30pm** in the community room. A beautiful nourishing 2 course (main course and dessert) freshly home-cooked hot meal which includes a soft drink plus coffee/tea is served at a cost of £5.80. There are a few vacancies available and we would love to see you. Meals need to be ordered in advance, so if you or anyone you know would like to join us once a month, please let Sharron Howard know. The next club is **Wednesday 7th February 2018**

LAMB MISSION PARTNERSHIP – WEEKEND AWAY

Application forms and prices now available for the April 2018 weekend away. Booking closes on **Friday 23rd February**. If people would like to book in then they can either do that at <http://www.deanechurch.org/lambweekend>, or there are some paper booking forms in church which people can complete and return to Deane Church Office.

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 Pat Bristow or Tony Whitehead by **Wednesday 21st March** at the latest.

CEILID

Lostock Parish Centre are holding a CEILID on the **24th March at 7pm**, including supper, with a live band for £6. This event is open to all four churches and is TICKET only so please let Tony know if you are interested.

VARIOUS CONCERTS COMING UP IN OUR LOCAL AREA

Leeland (Bethel Music) part of big church night out, venue The Edge, Wigan, **22nd March**.

Will Reagan and United Pursuit, venue the lighthouse venue, Salford, **13th March**.