



29th April 2018

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

Well, our very own *Songs of Praise*Sunday is finally here. Thank you to all who contributed with their favourite hymns along with your reasons for why these are your very best hymns. It is encouraging to see so many faith-based reasons and we truly hope todays service strengthens and renews your faith in Christ.

You may notice that the Newsletter design has been updated slightly. Your PCC has been working on developing our own 'Brand' and the logo you can see above is now our official St Bede Parish Brand. In today's world of technology and Social Media it in important to get ourselves known and recognised. To understand the impact this can have, the post on our Facebook page showing Alan Hallsall opening our Christmas Fayre reached an incredible 1,221 people!! We are working hard on promoting our Parish as much as possible. You will see this new logo being used more and more on posters, banners, Facebook, Twitter etc.

Today's Service

This week is Songs of Praise Sunday

Next week is Family Communion Readings are: Acts 10 vs. 44-end & 1 John 5 vs. 1 – 6

Today's Collect

Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace: through Jesus Christ or Lord.



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.









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.

FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT

Our thanks go to all that organised and came to support our event on Friday night. The support of our Church family is invaluable at these events to raise much need funds to keep our Church going. Unfortunately, the weekly collection plate is not enough so we desperately need to keep these events going...

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, Lyww

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

FILM FILL BOXES

Thanks to all who participated in this year's Film Fill Boxes for Lent. We managed to raise a total of £273 to go towards to vital work that The Church Army does.



News...

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. Please note that there will be no classes on 4th May (Bank Holiday) and 14th May.

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.

JESUS THE HOMELESS UNVEILLED

A sculpture of a homeless Jesus sleeping on a bench was unveiled by Dave, a homeless person, outside St Ann's Church, Manchester, this week. 'Jesus the Homeless', by Canadian artist Timothy Schmalz, challenges passers-by to question their attitude towards homeless and marginalised people that they come across in their day-to-day lives.



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.

Songs of Praise Sunday

1st Hymn – For all the Saints – chosen by Tony Whitehead

This is my favourite because... it reminds me of school assemblies and has become one of my all-time favourite hymns

2nd Hymn – In Christ Alone, my hope is found – chosen by Carol Hardman

This is my favourite because... I feel it defines my faith – the words of this song sums it all up

3rd Hymn – **Bind us together Lord –** chosen by Doreen Ridyard

This is my favourite because... Christians need to be a family

4th Hymn – Father I place into your Hands– chosen by Freda Turner

This is my favourite because... the week before my Daughter's wedding in 2000, thigs beyond my control were going wrong. We heard this hymn in the service which just got me placing it all in God's hands, and it all worked out.

5th Hymn – **Dear Lord and Father of Mankind** – chosen by Rodney Turner

This is my favourite because... I like the words

6th Hymn – **There's a quiet Understanding** – chosen by Kathleen Carrodus

This is my favourite because... it sums up a solid Christina Faith that encompasses us and what Jesus means to us and does for us and the people who meet together with us to worship Him and share our love for Him and one another.

7th Hymn – From Heaven You Came (Servant King) – chosen by Dean Critchley

This is my favourite because... it was played at my Christening

8th Hymn – **Lord Jesus Christ** – chosen by Sharon Singleton

This is my favourite because... it reminds me of school assembly at Primary School

9th Hymn – **Because He lives** – chosen by *Anonymous*

This is my favourite because... simple words sum up my Christian Faith

10th Hymn – **Great Big God** – chosen by Ministry Team

This is my favourite because... it reminds us of the future of the Christian Faith, our young people

<u>11th Hymn – **King of Kings, Majesty –** chosen by Max Critchley</u>

This is my favourite because... it was played at my Baptism

12th Hymn – **Jerusalem –** chosen by Enid Bowker

This is my favourite because... it is one of my all-time favourite hymns

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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