



St Bede Parish, Morris Green

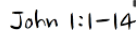
4th February
2018

2nd Sunday before Lent

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

*Do not ask God to guide your footsteps
if you are not willing to move your feet.*
Anonymous

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.



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



Tony



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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.

CELEBRATIONS

If you have any celebrations you want to share, please see Sharron or Tony or email us at;

newsletterstbede@gmail.com

During the weeks when we have Children's Groups in the Community Room, tea and coffee after the service will be held at the back of church. This will allow our Group Leaders to focus more on our young people and not on ensuring tables are set up for coffee. Please support this initiative.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD SCHEME

Can you all join us in welcoming Shardai Bristow, Casey Johnson and Keiron Bowes from St Catherine's Academy who are here for the next few weeks to help with Tea, Coffee etc as part of their Duke of Edinburgh award scheme.

LENT PREPARATIONS

Ash Wednesday Holy Communion at St Bede - Wednesday 14th February 2017 @ 7.30pm

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

Dates for your Diary

NEXT FUNDRAISING/SOCIAL EVENT

Our next event will be **Afternoon Tea**, a charity event for the Chris Lucas Trust, in memory **Kyle Buckley**.

Saturday 24th February 2018, 1-3pm in the Community Room.

Freshly made sandwiches, cakes, biscuits, tea, coffee and soft drinks. Posters and Flyers now available



CONFIRMATION SERVICE

A confirmation service will held at St Bede on **Sunday May 27th 2018 at 6.30pm** with the Bishop of Bolton †Mark.

Please can any adult or parent of any child 11 years old and above wishing to declare and confirm their Christian Faith please see Malcolm.

We will be pleased to guide you through this important step in your walk of Faith. I will look forward to hearing from you

Rev'd Malcolm



WEBSITE

Don't forget to visit our website! We have added some links on the Children's page for our Rocks & Pebbles to access. Please encourage them to visit the page;

www.st-bede.org.uk

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

LOOKING FOR JESUS

'Simon and his companions went to look for him, and when they found him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for you!" ' *Mark 1:36-37 (NIV)*

The bible reading today tells us about a day when many people were looking for Jesus, because they needed something that only he could give them. He had been teaching and healing the sick. He had become very popular and great crowds of people followed him to hear his teachings about God and to be healed of diseases. A large crowd of people began to gather at the door of Simon Peter's house as they had heard that had healed the sick. Jesus spent time healing the sick people who had been brought to him with different kinds of diseases. The following day, Jesus went outside to spend time alone in prayer to God. The disciples went to look for him and exclaimed "Everyone is looking for you!" Jesus then travelled around Galilee teaching, preaching and healing sick people.

Many people are still looking for Jesus because they need something that he can give them - forgiveness and everlasting life. **Are you looking for Jesus?**



What can you see in this picture? List them in the box below:

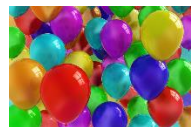
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As you have received, so may you be pleased to give.

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.



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.

Provisional Fundraising Dates for your Diary

AFTERNOON TEA – **Saturday 24th February 2018 – 1-3pm**

This is a fundraiser for the **Chris Lucas Trust**. This is a charity that researches childhood cancer and is supported by Carol Buckley – Kyle Buckley's Mum

Join us for fun and fellowship for this worthy cause.

EASTER EGG BINGO – **Friday 23rd March 2018 – 7pm**

FAMILY FUN QUIZ – **20th or 27th April 2018**

FAMILY PRIZE RACE NIGHT – **TBC**

SUMMER FUN DAY – **Saturday 14th July 2018 – 1-4pm**

Similar to our Strawberry Fayre but with a Fun Day combined! Stalls, Games, BBQ, Tombola, Bouncy Castle, Dog show and more!

LANCASHIRE NIGHT – **Friday 14th September 2018**

Hot Pot Supper & entertainment

HARVEST SUPPER QUIZ – **Friday 5th October 2018**

Who will win the coveted St Bede Harvest Supper Quiz Trophy? Who will challenge Brush Nuts!!!

CHRISTMAS FAYRE – **Saturday 17th November 2018**



**WE PUT THE
FUN
IN FUNDRAISING**

