



# St. Bede Parish Morris Green, Bolton

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5<sup>th</sup>  
November  
2017

All Saints Day

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

## Editorial

Last Sunday we had the great pleasure of welcoming 3 very young children for baptism into the Christian faith. How great it was to see the Church so full of happy smiling families and friends of the infants who were to be welcomed into their Church family. Yes, it was chaotic at times with little children running about being chased by their flustered parents and the constant noise of chattering children (and sometimes adults!), but at least the Church was full of life just as it should be. We are a Church family, and this is just family life with all its frustrations, bustle and joy. I really felt God's presence and it filled my heart with joy. I pray that the parents and Godparents will feel moved to continue their baptised child's Church family life with us at St Bede's for they will surely be most welcome whenever they are able to come. In the Anglican Church, Baptism is the first step on our Christian pathway to faith in Christ Jesus and God, our own and the Church family are there to nurture and support us on our way. Please remember these children and their families in your prayers and pray that they will continue on their Christian path, walking safe in the light of Jesus.

Sharron

## Today's Service

This week is **All Age Holy**

**Communion** Readings are: John 3 vs. 9-13 & Matthew 5 vs. 1-12

Next week is **Remembrance Day**

**Service** Readings are: 1 Thessalonians 4 vs. 13 - end & Matthew 25 vs. 1-13

### Today's Collect

Almighty God,  
you have knit together your elect  
in one communion and fellowship  
in the mystical body of your Son Christ  
our Lord: grant us grace so to follow  
your blessed saints in all virtuous and  
godly living that we may come to those  
inexpressible joys that you have  
prepared for those who truly love you;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

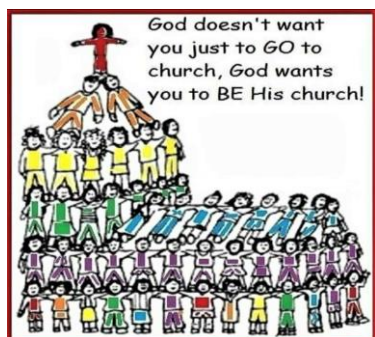
### Please pray...

Marcus and Belinda Kelly  
Janet Wall - for her closeness to God  
Jeff Archibold  
Baby Anthony Ross Evans  
Paula Hulse  
Mark Hulse  
Jean Heyes  
Marlene Wolstencroft  
Michael Harmsworth  
Doreen Ridyard  
Minti Radia  
Ronnie Ditchfield  
Margaret Hayes  
Gabrielle Ridyard  
Irene Hulse  
Barbara Platt  
Bill & Joyce Bancroft  
Simon Taylor & Family  
Peggy & Bill Brown  
Sharron Howard  
Mark Emerson  
Andrew Taylor  
Carys Leonard  
Petra Bryan

The prayer list has been updated, if you feel we have missed someone off who still needs our prayers, please don't hesitate to let Sharron or Tony know and we will add their names back onto the list.



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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](mailto:newsletterstbede@gmail.com)

### COFFEE ROTA

More volunteers are required to come forward to add their name to the rota for doing the teas and coffees after the Service on a Sunday from the New Year. The more volunteers we have, the fewer times you will be called on for coffee duty! You will be made most welcome and your help would be gratefully appreciated by the existing volunteers and the congregation who enjoy a chat and a coffee after Sunday service. Please let Freda Turner know if you can help out.

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.**

### VOLUNTEERS PLEASE...

... to retrieve our Christmas Tree and some tables from the cellar following the service next week. Please see Gill.



## Dates for your Diary

### CHRISTMAS FAYRE

This will take place **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November**. A selection of festive stalls including, *Bottle Tombola, Sweet Stall, Cakes, Games for Adults & Children, Café with Mulled Wine and of course Santa's Grotto*. See Gill for donations for the stalls and come along to support your Church Family

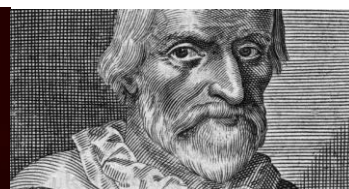


### COFFEE MORNING

We will be holding a Coffee Morning straight after our morning worship on **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2017** where we will be serving Tea, Coffee, Toast, Toasted Teacakes and cakes. Donations of homemade or shop bought cakes would be very welcome

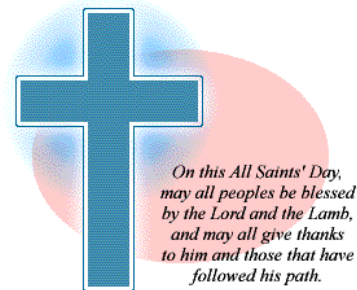
### CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS

Our own Rocks and Pebbles will be helping us celebrate Christmas on **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2017** during our morning worship. It would be great to see as many in Church as possible. Please invite your family and friends !



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.

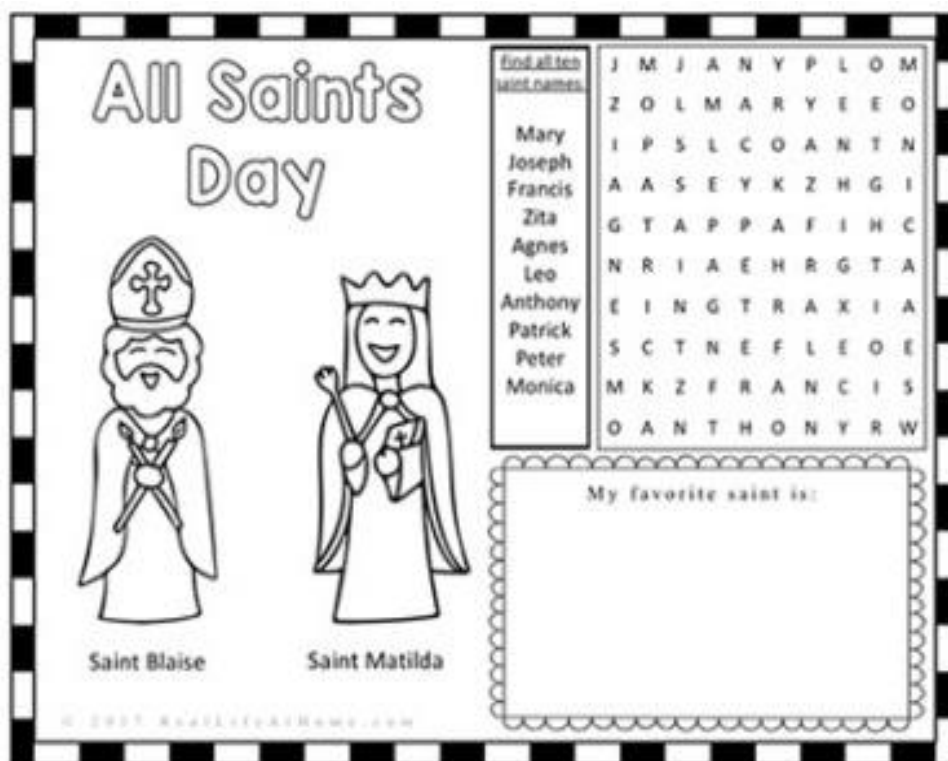
# Church Rocks & Shiny Pebbles



## All Saints' Day

All Saints' Day is celebrated on the 1st November, the day after All Hallow's Eve. All Saints' Day honours all the Christian saints, known and unknown, who have not been allocated a special feast day. The church recognises people as 'saints' who have done amazing and extra-special things in the church. There are many saints that you are already familiar with; St Bede, St Valentine, St Nicholas and many of our holidays honour these saints. Many saints have feast days, which celebrate the individual saints (St Valentine is celebrated on 14 February - Valentine's Day). Saints have done something amazing and remarkable for God and we honour their memory on All Saints' Day.

We can all do great things for God in our lives too. We can do things for God in all sorts of unique ways.



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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 & Cluster News...

## BIBLE STUDY

The last Bible study group will take place in the Community Room at 7.30 on;

**Thursday November 23<sup>rd</sup>**

All are welcome, the studies will be aided by a DVD looking at the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

## 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



## AN INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY

An invitation to come on a journey across 2000 years of Church history. Along the way we will explore the great ideas of Christian theology and the people and events which shaped them.

**Where?** Deane Church Centre BL3 4LT

**When?** 7.30-9pm over 7 Wednesdays starting 25th October 2017.

## NEW WORSHIP SONGS

We are going to introduce some new worship songs over the next few weeks that hopefully reflect the joy that knowing the Holy Spirit brings. They will be introduced at Together for God and Family Communion services. We hope you enjoy learning them and singing them together

