



6th May 2018

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

It was so lovely for me to be able to return to Church last Sunday after an enforced absence of a few weeks, some of which was through ill health. I really missed my Church Family and the opportunity to share in the joy of worship and fellowship. I must admit I do not make a very good 'patient'. Norman bore the brunt of it I'm afraid. However, in his usual stoic style, he just took a deep breath and sighed noisily, and I knew I had 'gone too far'! I know that many people were praying for a quick recovery for me and I can tell you that your prayers certainly worked! I am happy to say that I am much recovered. Thank you so much for your prayers. "Give it to God" is especially relevant in times of sickness or trouble. When we are at our lowest ebb and feel that we cannot cope, we just need to be quiet and listen to the Lord. He will never desert us in our hour of need. When bad things happen in our lives, it is sometimes very difficult not to think "why has God let me down so badly?". I have asked these questions too. I don't think bad things happen to us a 'punishment' or because 'God has forsaken us'. Bad things happen all the time, but our faith and trust in Him and His love for us will sustain us and help us through the dark times in our lives. I do believe in the power of prayer for healing, after all, Jesus healed the sick by their faith in Him.

Today's Service

This week is Family Communion Readings are: Acts 10 vs. 44-48 & John 15 vs. 9 – 17

Next week is Holy Communion & Groups Readings are: Acts 1 vs. 1-11 & John 17 vs. 6 – 19

Today's Collect

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others, and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father



Please pray...

Marcus and Belinda Kelly Janet Wall - for her closeness to God Jeff Archibold Baby Anthony Ross Evans Jean Heyes Marlene Wolstencroft Michael Harmsworth Doreen Ridyard Minti Radia Ronnie Ditchfield Margaret Hayes Gabrielle Ridyard Bill & Joyce Bancroft Mark Emerson **Andrew Taylor** Carys Leonard Petra Bryan Colin Stiff **Toby Matthews** Baby Louie Dean, Kirsty & Max Rachel Baillie John Hirst

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.

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



Café Create is the heart of Create Bolton, where people come to enjoy Fair Trade coffee, homemade cakes and yummy light lunches. There is always something Creative happening, so you can join in and get creative, bring your own crafts or just relax and enjoy the ambiance.

The cafe is open - Friday 10am - 2pm and Saturday 10am - 2pm

There are also wonderful crafts and gifts available for you to purchase and browse in the retail area, which promotes the skills of local crafters, creators and artists.

Create Bolton
Claremont House
Bark Street Entrance
Bolton
BL1 2BY



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.

PRAYER GROUP

The next prayer group will be on Saturday

12th May at 10.00am in the Jubilee Lounge.

ADMINSTRATOR

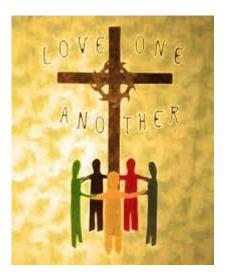
Elaine Almond has been appointed as part time administrator for St Andrew and St Bede. Her position starts in June.

ASCENSION DAY

St Mary's, Deane, will be hosting this year's Ascension Day service on Thursday 10th May at 7.30pm. We encourage as many of our congregation as possible to attend to support the LAMB Partnership

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



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"My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has noone than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command."

John 15:12-14

This code breaker is based on today's Gospel reading from John 15: 9-17

The words below have been written in code. Use the numbers to help break the code and find the words from the reading.

Write the correct word on the line provided beside each code word.

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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

St Bede Parish, Morris Green

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