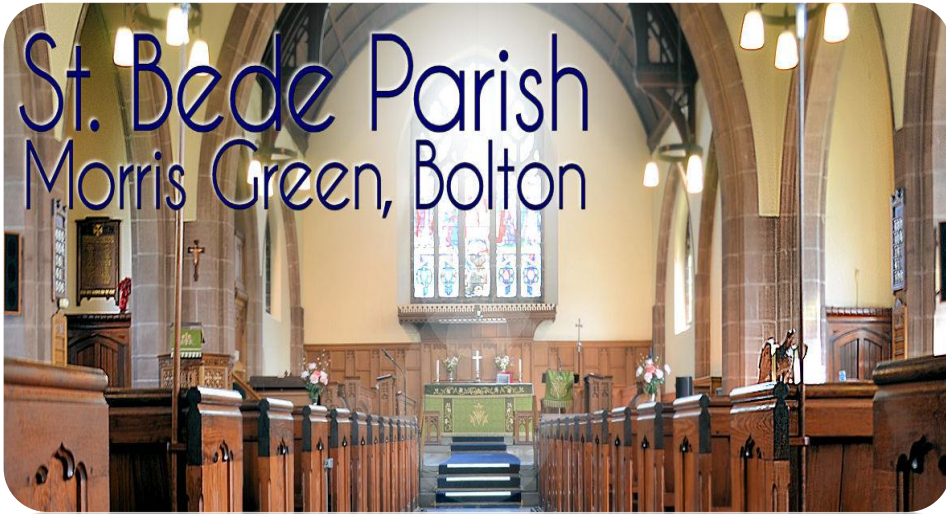


St. Bede Parish Morris Green, Bolton



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8th April
2018

The Second Sunday of Easter

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

Then he asked them, "But who do you say I am?" Peter replied, "You are the Messiah." Mark 8:29

We all have to answer crucial questions in life. When we're young, our grandmother asks, "What do you want to be when you grow up?" and we can say "A fireman" or "A princess" without following through. But, in time, the "What will you do with your life?" question requires a mature, thoughtful answer. Then there's the question that changes our lives forever. In my case it was, "Anthony, do you take Gillian to be your wife?" Now that's a big question!

But there may be no more significant question in all of life than the one Jesus asked his first disciples in Mark 8:29: "But who do you say I am?"

We can all spend our lives speculating about theology. We can study the Bible and spin out all sorts of fine ideas about Jesus. But, in the end, each one of us has to answer for ourselves the central question of life: "Who do you say I am?" The way we answer Jesus has the potential to change our lives. We believe Jesus to be the Saviour of the world, and we put our ultimate faith in him.

Tony

Today's Service

This week is **Holy Communion and Groups** Readings are: Acts 4 vs. 32-35 & John 20 vs. 19 – end

Next week is **Holy Communion and Groups** Readings are: Acts 3 vs. 12-19 & 1 John 3 vs. 1 – 7

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
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

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





Bolton Hospice
caring from the heart

Bolton Hospice are about to open a new shop and café at Astley Bridge, in the old bank at the side of Asda. The café will be called 'The Old Bank Café' and Sophie, the new café manager, is seeking volunteers! If you or anyone you know are able to help for 3 hours a week please get in touch with Sophie on 01204 663 063 or email

sophie.price@boltonhospice.org.

KENYON RISE

Malcolm will be celebrating Holy Communion at Kenyon Rise along with Carol Hardman at 2:15 for a 2:30 start. All are welcome to attend and support the residents there.

OUR NEXT FUNDRAISING EVENT

Family Quiz Night to be held at the Ellesmere Club on **Friday 27th April 2018** at 7.00pm

Donations of Raffle Prizes gratefully received!

Tickets available today and flyers are at the back for distribution. Please take your own street and those immediately adjacent to get a much publicity as possible. Please complete the associated sheet so we know what streets are left. Thank you



News...

SONGS OF PRAISE SUNDAY

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 forms at the back of Church 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.



ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Our APCM is to be held on **Sunday 22nd April 2018** after the morning worship. All welcome to attend. However, only those on the Electoral Roll are eligible to vote.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

A service of confirmation will take place in St Bede at 6.30 on **May 27th** by the Bishop of Bolton. Confirmation classes will commence on the 9th April at 7.00. Will anyone who wishes to be confirmed in their faith (Adult or young person) who has not already done so, please give your names to Revd Malcolm.

We look forward to sharing this joyful time of confirmation and commitment with all candidates - we will support and encourage you in your faith in the risen Jesus.



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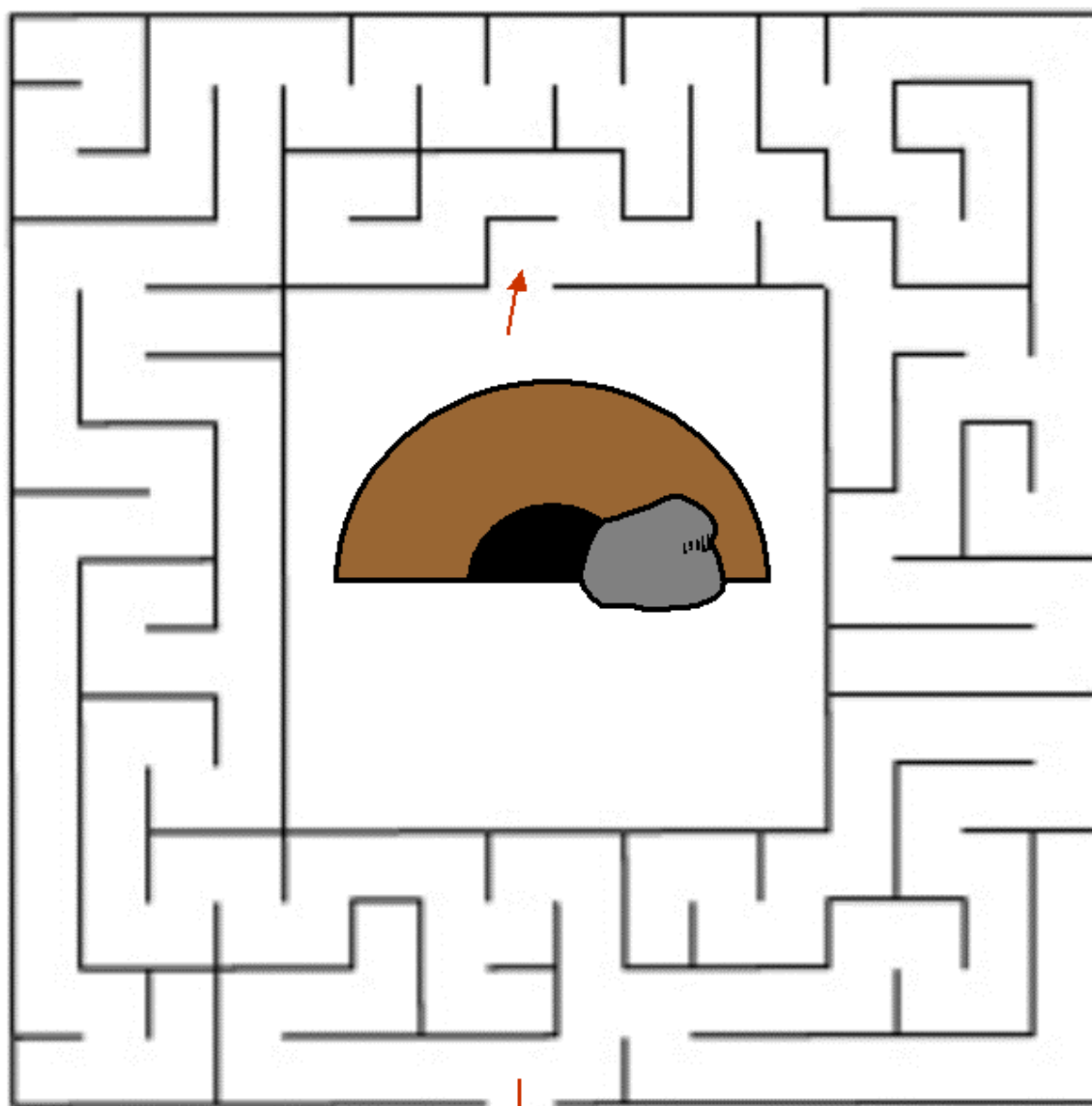
St Bede's Church has its own Book of Remembrance. If you would like to add the name of a loved one in the Book of Remembrance, please see Judith Kelleway or one of the Wardens who would be happy to arrange that for you. If you would also like to donate flowers to the Church in memory at any time, Sharron would be happy to arrange them for you.

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

Easter Maze

Help Jesus find his way out of the tomb so he can tell the disciples He's Alive!

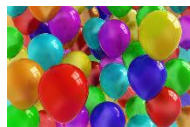


As you have received, so may you be pleased to give.

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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