

Parish Church, Bolton-le -Moors





# 26<sup>th</sup> January 2020

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Epiphany

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

## **Editorial**

The Bible speaks often of miraculous healing through the work of Jesus Christ and faith in God. Our Lord is able to provide comfort and healing for you and your loved ones.

When you are overwhelmed with health problems, bad news, or relationship struggles, the Word of God can be your source of supernatural help. Don't give up! God promises greater things in store - a future filled with promise and hope!

Father, help me to keep my focus on you when the pain and hurt are overwhelming. Help me to be faithful and to see the good and blessings that surround me. Please strengthen my mind, heart, and body and heal me today. May the Holy Spirit guide me in peace and comfort today. Amen.

Tony

## Today's Service

This week is Together for God Reading is Luke 5 vs 17-26

Next week is Family Holy

Communion Reading is Ephesians
3 vs 1-13

#### Today's Collect

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives and freedom to the oppressed; anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.



#### Please pray...

Jean Michael Doreen Minti Ronnie Carys John John David Bernard Lynn Andrew Will Barbara Wendy Yasmin Lynn Kirsty Sean Marlene Jennifer Colin Catherine Natalie Sylvia Esme Rose Mike Paul Jon Matt Megan Mary Ann Stephen

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



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# St Bede Charity Partners 2020;





# News... ST BEDE'S VISION MEETING

Monday 27th January 7.3opm-9pm, St Bede's

Where is God leading us as a church? Following our away morning in October; we are meeting again to dream dreams, to seek where God is leading us, and developing our Mission Action Plan. This is a meeting open to everyone - together **we** are the church and so everyone's voice is important. Enter the church through the main door as we are meeting in the church lounge.

#### LENT COURSE 2020 - FAITH PICTURES

This year St Bede's and St Andrew's are coming together for a Joint Lent Course called 'Faith Pictures'. Produced by the Church Army, this 6-week course will equip each of us to talk naturally about our faith with others. The course will run every Wednesday night, 7.3 opm at St Andrews and will begin on Wednesday 4th March.

St Bede's and St Andrews will also be holding a joint <u>Ash Wednesday</u> <u>Communion Service</u> on <u>Wednesday 26th</u> <u>February 7.3opm</u> at St Bede's and a joint <u>Maundy Thursday meal</u>, 7.3opm at St Andrews. Please do put all these dates in your diary.

#### **CHURCH ARMY PRAYER DIARIES**

The Church Army Prayer diaries & their Impact Report are available in the porch. Please take a copy. See Freda Turner with any questions.

#### **STOP PRESS**

Last date for submissions for next newsletter is WEDNESDAY next week.

#### **PRAYER LIST**

Please can I ask that you review the prayer list and let me know if there any amendments. Thank you

#### Tony

#### **BIBLE OVERVIEW COURSE**

Begins: Saturday 22nd January, 9am-12pm

Imagine trying to understand and enjoy just one chapter of an Agatha Christie novel without knowing the plot so far. An isolated chapter would seem confusing and dull.

The Bible can also appear strange when read as disjointed sections without an understanding of how the books fit together! The overview will last for five weeks of about three hours each and will be on Saturday mornings 9 – 12 noon (followed by a short lunch) from 25 January until 22 February.

If you would like to join us please let us know in advance by phone so we can be sure we have enough material and food Tel 07855

#### **UNWANTED CHRISTMAS GIFTS**

If you have any unwanted gifts from Christmas, please think about donating them to Church so we can start collecting prizes for our various fundraising efforts.

#### SONGS OF PRAISE SUNDAY – 23<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY

Back by popular demand, this will be a chance for us to sing your favourite hymns! Sheets will be given out in the coming weeks for you to tell us the hymn is your favourite and to get this into the service!

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

### JESUS HEALS A PARALUSED MAN

Today's reading from Luke 5: 17 - 26 demonstrates Jesus' power to bring physical, mental and spiritual healing, including forgiveness. This shows the importance of faith in healing.

'But because there were so many people there, they could not find a way to Jesus. So the men went up on the roof and made a hole in the ceiling. They lowered the mat so that the paralysed man was lying right before Jesus. Jesus saw that these men believed. So he said to the sick man, "Friend, your sins are forgiven." ... "I tell you, stand up! Take your mat and go home." Then the man stood up before the people there. He picked up his mat and went home, praising God.' Luke 5: 19-25 (NCV)

#### WORDSEARCH

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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.

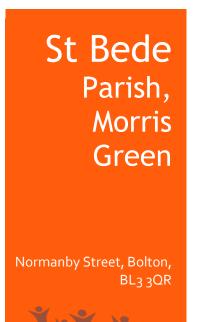
Please try to support the social and fundraising events as they are vital not only to the financial wellbeing of our Church, but are great opportunities to get to know one another better.

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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#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...**

Valentine's Afternoon Tea – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Easter Egg Bingo - Saturday 28th March 2020 6.00pm

Easter Egg Hunt – Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2020 After morning service in the Church Grounds

Next Fundraising Meeting – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020 7.30pm - All welcome

