

9th February 2020

3rd Sunday before Lent

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

The section of the letter from today's epistle reading offers a bit of relief from the heavy theological portions that have been read in this letter up to this point. It presents a moment of tenderness, in which the author speaks directly to his readers about his care for them. He speaks of his prayer for his readers, which he does on bended knee. The paragraph begins abruptly with the phrase: "for this reason." But for what reason? It refers to what has been said in the previous paragraphs about Paul's ministry. Paul, like other apostles, had been entrusted with revelation by the Spirit. Specifically, it had been revealed to him that Gentiles, who receive the gospel in faith, are fellow heirs of the promises of God. They too are members of the body of Christ, and therefore they have access to God. "For this reason," the author prays that his readers may be strengthened in spiritual power, love, and knowledge.

Today's Service

This week is Holy Communion
Reading is Ephesians 3 vs 14-21

Next week is Holy Communion Readings are Luke 17 vs 11-19 & Ephesians 1 vs 3-14

Today's Collect

Eternal God, whose Son when among the crowds and brought healing with His touch, help us to show His love, in your Church as we gather together, and by our lives as they are transformed into the image of 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.

Steph

Tony



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News...

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.

CAP JOB CLUB

The job club meets each Thursday at St George the Marty Church on Roseberry Street Daubhill BL34AR at 10.30 It is a friendly group with free tea, coffee and snacks. Each club member will receive one to one coaching as well as help with CV, Job applications and interview practice from trained job coaches. A couple of times each year they run a formal course but their main aim is to provide somewhere that people, struggling to find work, can be supported, meet others in the same situation, get help and grow in confidence in their ability to get a job. Please pass on this information to those who need it

Thank you

STOP PRESS

Last date for submissions for next newsletter is WEDNESDAY next week

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.

EASTER EGG BINGO

We need donations of Easter Eggs; all shapes and sizes, to have for your Easter Egg Bingo on Saturday 28th March. We also need some small eggs for hiding for the Easter Egg hunt on Easter Day.

SONGS OF PRAISE SUNDAY – 23rd 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!

Request sheets and flyers are available today. Please choose your favourite Hymn, tell us why it's your favourite and bring it back next week – hand to Tony or Carol. We cannot guarantee all entries will make it into the service.

VACANCY

The Children's Group are looking for a volunteer to assist Carol, Rachael and Sharon with the Church Children's Group which is held twice a month. The position is obviously subject to a DBS check and safeguarding training. If you feel that Children's ministry is something that God is calling you to, please come and talk to either Carol, Rachael or Sharon, to find out more about what it involves. Thank you

Carol

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



'I pray that Christ will live in your hearts because of your faith. I pray that your life will be strong in love and be built on love. And I pray that you and all God's holy people will have the power to understand the greatness of Christ's love. I pray that you can understand how wide and how long and how high and how deep that love is.' Ephesians 3:17-18 (NCV)

WORD SEARCH

based on today's Bible reading from Ephesians 3:14 - 21

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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.

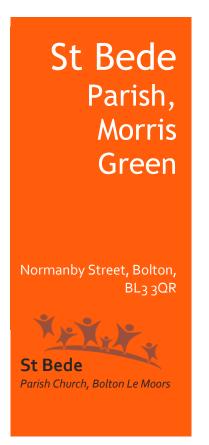
Please try to support the social and fundraising events as they are vital not only to the financial wellbeing of our Church, but are great opportunities to get to know one another better.

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 15th February 2020

Easter Egg Bingo - Saturday 28th March 2020 6.00pm

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

Next Fundraising Meeting – Monday 24th February 2020 7.30pm - All welcome

