

**8th March
2020**

The second Sunday of Lent

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

A poem for St Bede

God wants you
He's a wonderful guy
Come to St Bede
And give Him a try

St Bede's Church
It's a great place
People are friendly
And the vicar is ace!

I'm glad I come to church
I learn an awful lot
Finding out about Jesus
Really hits the spot

When it comes to communion
Try to bide your time
If you are the last person up
You can finish off the wine!

After the service
If you want to risk it
Try beating the kids
To get a chocolate biscuit!

Colin H

Today's Service

This week is **Holy Communion**
Reading is **John 1 vs 35-42**

Next week is **Holy Communion**
Reading is **John 4 vs 27-42**

Today's Collect

Almighty God, by the grace and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following his Way, come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord



Please pray...

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

Please remember not everyone on this list is sick, they may just need your prayers!

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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Diocese of Manchester

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St Bede Charity
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News...

LENT COURSE 2020 - FAITH PICTURES

- ✚ Wednesday 4th March - Opening the Conversation
- ✚ Wednesday 11th March - The Power of the Ordinary
- ✚ Wednesday 18th March - Traveller's Tales
- ✚ Wednesday 25th March - Talking Pictures
- ✚ Wednesday 1st April - Companions on the Journey
- ✚ Wednesday 8th April - Hidden Opportunities

Each session begins at 7.30pm and finishes at 9pm at St Andrews. Do come and join us as we gather together as churches and share fellowship with one another.

LENTEN FILM BOX FILL

As we have reached the 10th year since the start of the film box fill, we would like your support for filling them once again. £1.00 and 50p coins please with the children who take part using 20p to fill the boxes. The TOTAL proceeds are divided between Church and our 2 charities for 2020; Bolton Caner Voices and Create Bolton. The boxes will be available at the back of church for the duration of Lent and if you can fill more than 1, that would be great! Any information, please see Freda or Rodney Turner and return the filled boxes by Easter Sunday. If you are a tax payer, please complete a Gift Aid envelope so we can reclaim 20% and hand that in with the box(es).up.

Freda & Rodney

ST BEDE'S VISION NIGHT

Monday 16th March, 7.30pm at St Bedes

Recently a good number of us got together to pray and discern where God is leading us as a church and following that meeting we are meeting again on Monday 16th March at 7.30pm. ALL are welcome to come and join us as we dream dreams and discern what our priorities should be as we seek to fulfil our mission as a church.

REVISION OF THE ELECTORAL ROLL

The revision of St Bede's electoral roll will take place between 1st March and 15th March. After such revision the electoral roll be displayed on the notice board in the foyer for inspection.

Under the Church Representation Rules any persons are entitled to have their names entered on the roll, if they:

- (1) are baptised and aged 16 or over;
- (2) have signed a form of application for enrolment; and either
- (3) are members of the Church of England or of any Church in communion with the Church of England being resident in the parish or (not being resident in the parish) having habitually attended public worship in the parish during the six months prior to the application for enrolment; or
- (4) are members in good standing of a Church (not in communion with the Church of England) which subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity declaring themselves to be also members of the Church of England and having habitually attended public worship in the parish during the period of six months prior to enrolment.

Forms of application for enrolment can be picked up at the back of Church or see Elaine Almond Electoral Roll Officer.

In order to be entitled to attend the annual parochial church meeting and to take part in its proceedings, forms of application for enrolment must be returned by the 15th March for the ending of the revision of the Church Electoral Roll by the Parochial Church Council.

CORONAVIRUS GUIDANCE RE: COMMUNION

The Church of England has issued some guidance concerning tightening up on hygiene around the distribution of communion. In particular at St Bede's the advice is not to dip the bread wafer directly into the wine if that is your practice and if you are feeling unwell, you should refrain from drinking the cup at communion and simply receive the bread. It is worth noting that Coronavirus has been graded a low risk to individuals however by following these simple guidelines we hope to minimize the risk of infection.

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

SHARING OUR FAITH WITH OTHERS

In the bible reading today from St John, 1:35 - 42, we hear that Jesus' first disciples were Andrew and Simon Peter. After speaking with Jesus, the first thing that Andrew did was to go and find his brother, Simon Peter, to tell him. He then brought Simon to Jesus. He shared his faith with his brother.

Sharing our faith with others is not always easy - telling people about Jesus can sometimes be daunting. However speaking to other people about our beliefs can lead them to Jesus, so that they too can have a deeper relationship with Him. Sharing faith with people takes courage, but it is worth it. Sharing our faith with others can, not only make us stronger, but can also lead them to true freedom in Jesus. There are many ways in which we can share our faith; we can talk to others about Jesus; we can encourage them to read the bible; we can encourage them to pray; we can invite them to come to church. Sometimes sharing our faith can be as simple as making a difference in the lives of those people that are around us through simple acts of kindness. Look for ways to help others, such as encouraging someone at school who is alone to join your friendship group; to help someone who is upset or hurt; to show respect to other people; to make a positive difference to someone else. These are ways in which we can share Jesus with others and live our faith.

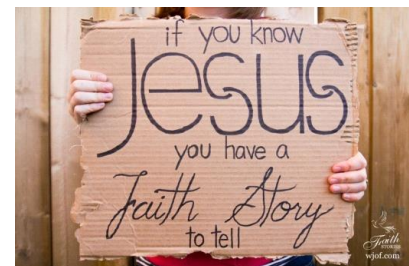
WORDSEARCH

(based on John 1 when the disciples share their faith with others and follow Jesus.)

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PETER
COME
CALLED
NATHANAEL
GALILEE
KING
KNOW
NAZARETH
ANDREW
PHILIP
RABBI
FOLLOW
JESUS
ISRAEL

Father God,
 Thank you for the world we live in.
 Help us to always treat each other well.
 Help us to bring light to people who are sad.
 Thank you for the water and food we enjoy in life.
 Please help us feed those who are hungry.
 Thank you for being a sharing God.
 Please help us to be good at sharing our faith with others too. **Amen.**



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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Morris
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

Easter Egg Bingo - Saturday **28th March 2020** 6.00pm – Ellesmere Club

Tickets are £6.00 for adults, £3.00 and **new** this year, a family ticket is just £15.00! Tickets include the game of BINGO for the night

Tickets available shortly

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.

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

Summer Fayre – Saturday **27th June 2020** – details to follow

Harvest Supper Quiz – Friday **2nd October 2020** – details to follow

Tickets are £6.00 for adults, £3.00 and **new** this year, a family ticket is just £15.00!

Tickets include quiz entry and a hot supper!

Prize Family Race Night – Friday **13th November 2020** – details to follow

Christmas Fayre – Saturday **5th December 2020**

