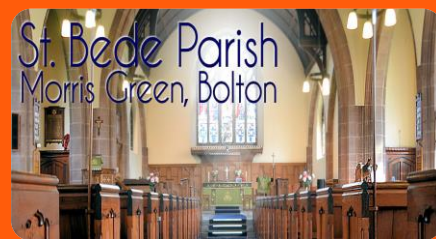




Parish Church, Bolton-le -Moors



**17th May
2020**

6th Sunday of Easter

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

If someone had asked you just before Christmas 2019, 'What is Covid19?' Ask that question of anyone now, and I am sure you would get an answer. There are not many people in today's world who have not been affected by Covid19, either by catching the virus, or by being affected by the measures put in place by Governments to protect us from the virus by 'lockdown', or perhaps we know of someone who has sadly caught the virus and died from its ravages. One of the protection measures taken to stem this has been to close places where people gather in groups, one of such places are churches. Hence we now find very strange Sundays, no church! For those of us who attend church, of course. But now entering our eighth week we are now settling in to being part of an 'on line', broadcast worship service. Thousands of Christian Churches are now on line, broadcasting the Gospel on a Sunday, and many are meeting on line through Zoom, 'Skype or 'Whatsapp' to name but three, to gather after worship for fellowship and for prayer. Closing churches will not quench the Christian spirit, Jesus will not lie down, the churches this Easter may have remained empty, but remember also the tomb was empty and will remain so, it could not contain Him. When our church doors open again at the prescribed time, we will be returning to our public places of worship, and hopefully welcoming some new believers into our midst, strong in the faith of the risen Christ, with hope and faith, in the knowledge He has brought us through and will continue to do so. Take a little time to read Psalm 46, which begins: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. God Bless

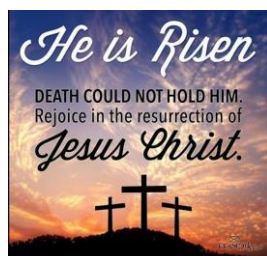
Malcolm

Today's Reading

Acts 17 vs 22- 31

Today's Collect

Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father.



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
Fiona	Yvonne

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



 **THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND**
Diocese of Manchester

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raise money
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provide help
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**St Bede Charity
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News...

A CHURCH WITHOUT WALLS

Our worship and ministry at St Bede's continues. Every Sunday at 9am we will be publishing an online recorded service on our YouTube channel (search for St Bedes and St Andrews Church). We are also publishing regular updates on our church Facebook page along with the Daily Prayer from the Church of England.

If you need to contact someone at St Bede's Church then Vinny can still be contacted on (01204) 658921 or via e-mail (vinny@st-bede.org.uk).

Are you missing chatting with your friends and meeting new people after the church service? Why not connect with our group having a chat over a brew by joining an informal Zoom gathering? These are at 11am on Sundays and the details are at the end of the YouTube recording and posted on our Facebook page.

Download the Zoom app at www.zoom.us and the meeting ID is 775-4658-5946 for St Bede at 11am and the ID for St Andrews is 752-3646-7487 at 11.30. All are welcome at either or both meetings.



DECISION ON DEANERY PROPOSALS

The Bishop of Manchester has approved the proposal to amalgamate 20 deaneries of the Diocese of Manchester into seven, and to seek to appoint a full time Area Dean to each, following an extensive consultation between November 2019 and February 2020.

Bishop David's decision was communicated to the Diocesan Mission and Pastoral Committee and members of Bishop's Council earlier this week. Bishop David has written a report setting out the basis for his decision together with his reflections on the most substantial issues raised during the consultation. The full report can be found [here](#).



Thy Kingdom Come is going to look slightly different this year, compared to previous years, due to the Coronavirus pandemic. There are five Ways your family and church can be involved in Thy Kingdom Come from 21 to 31 May 2020.

You can join the Diocese of Manchester TKC Facebook Group to share stories of how your family or church is taking part in Thy Kingdom Come.

Follow prayer events in the Bolton Archdeaconsry on their YouTube channel from 21 May.

Further details can be found [here](#)

Our Church depends very heavily on fundraising as well as regular giving to keep our Church afloat.

We ask that you do continue to give by setting up a Standing Order from your bank. Please contact our Treasurer, David Almond for further details – David.almond3@ntlworld.com

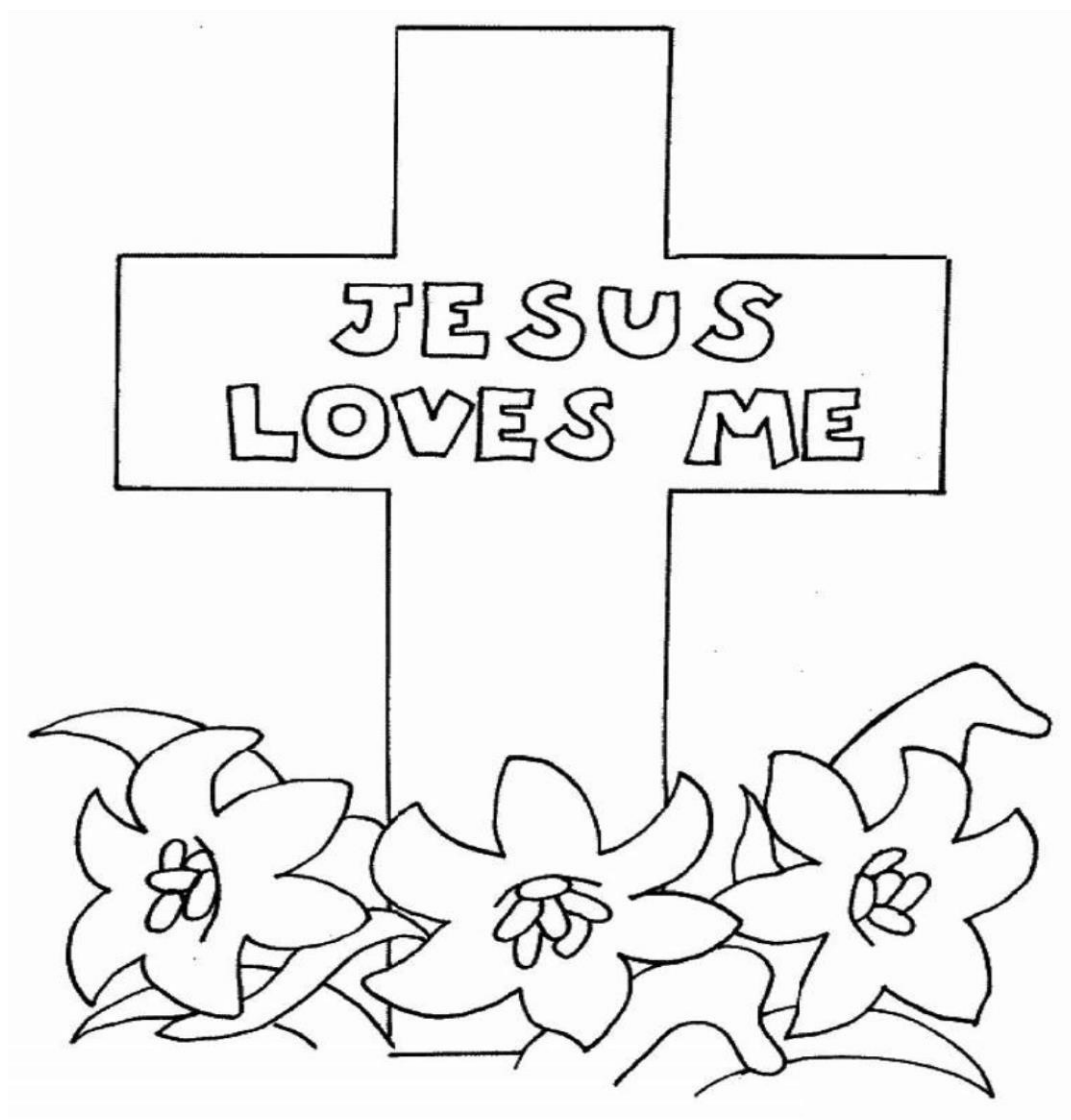
Church Rocks & Shiny Pebbles

JESUS LOVES ME

In the Bible, we read about how children would come running from all over to gather around Jesus. Somehow, they could see that Jesus was very different from anyone they had ever met. People of all ages would come to hear His powerful words and see His awesome miracles, but the children wanted to be close to Jesus because of His gentle ways and His kindness. He made every single child feel important.

Jesus loves children! He likes them the way they are because they don't think of themselves as being the greatest, or imagine that they know everything like some adults do. Knowing how much Jesus thinks about you should make you feel very loved and special. Why not talk to Jesus now, in prayer. Tell Him that you love Him too.

Jesus
loves me
THIS I know
for the BIBLE
tells ME SO



Why not print this out and colour it in, as a reminder of how much Jesus loves you. You could also take a photo of your completed picture and email it to Vinny@st-bede.org.uk and it may be displayed in the service on You-Tube on Sunday morning.

Church Rocks & Shiny Pebbles

Hi Church Rocks kids.

We have missed seeing you all over the last few months. We hope you are all safe and well and have been busy at home. Church Rocks - St Bede's Children's group are doing a zoom meet up on **Sunday 17th May at 10.30am**.

Children and young people, with their parents, can join the zoom meet up.

Zoom is an app that enables people to meet up virtually. If you haven't already downloaded the zoom app then you will need to do that beforehand.

If you would like to join us on Sunday for a fun activity then you need to open the zoom app on a device with a camera (such as a phone, tablet, iPad, laptop etc.) and type in the **meeting ID** which is **77727895340** and then a passcode which is **552124** or **4HzuSa** (either passcode can be used). I am hosting the meeting and it may tell you that you are in a waiting area once you have typed in the ID and passcode. I will then admit you to the meet up. All children need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian (who will all have fun helping with the fun activity we have planned). The session will last about 20 – 30 minutes.

Hope to see you all on Sunday at 10.30am.

Thanks and keep safe

Rachael



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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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Answers to Quiz from 3rd May Newsletter

1. Adam and Eve
2. Noah
3. Burning bush
4. Whale
5. Sarah
6. Ten commandments
7. The Angel Gabriel
8. Mary
9. Carpenter
10. Five loaves
11. Two fish
12. Ash Wednesday
13. 40 days
14. Matthew, John, Simon, Judas, James, Peter, Thomas, Andrew, Bartholomew, Thaddaeus, Philip, James
15. Judas
16. John the Baptist
17. The Holy Spirit
18. Calvary
19. Bread and wine
20. Garden of Gethsemane