

Parish Church, Bolton-le -Moors



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The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray...

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

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

Editorial

My first Sunday back at Church last week since lockdown, was so emotional and so moving to be back in His House after such a long time away. A little daunting at first since being amongst people again felt a bit scary and strange after being self-isolating for so long. Being in the vulnerable category of an "oldie" with "underlying health conditions" makes you a bit wary of 're-joining society' as it were! However, with my face mask in place and the liberal use of hand gel, my slight unease soon evaporated. How wonderful to see so many familiar faces all greeting each other, albeit from a safe distance! Lockdown has been a tough and scary experience for most of us. Not being able to see this deadly enemy which threatens our lives and our way of life right across the globe has been and still is a disturbing and sometimes frightening experience. It felt for most people, at times, I guess, that maybe our lives would never return to "normal" again. Yet all through this weird and challenging time, we have witnessed amazing acts of selflessness, community spirit and human love.

Loving God and following His Word brings us great peace and joy when it doesn't make sense for us to be happy. It's the peace that passes all understanding. It's the peace that keeps us stable and strong no matter what may come against us. His love will direct our path, His love will protect us. You can always find security in His love and His Word. Have a blessed Week,

Today's Reading

Psalm 121

Today's Collect

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as a mustard seed, make it grow to your glory and thr flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Grace is when God gives us good things that we don't deserve. Mercy is when He spares us from bad things we deserve. Blessings are when He is generous with both. Truly, we can never run out of reasons to thank Him. God is Good All The Time!



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News...

St Bede's Church is now open for worship! Obviously, we will need to follow new guidelines and do things slightly differently in church from now on. We have done a thorough risk assessment and done all we can to ensure we as a church are COVID-19 secure. The changes include:

- People entering church will be asked to use sanitising hand gel as they enter the building
- You will need to keep 2 metres distance from others at all times this means only half the pews will be in use and we will ask you to sit at the end of the pew so to maintain 2 metres from other people.
- There will be no singing of hymns as singing is not permitted
- No service sheets/hymn books will be given out as all the liturgy will be on our new screen at the front of church
- The Government advises that people who are at risk (i.e. those with underlying health conditions, those shielding and those over 70 years of age) do not come to church at the moment. However ultimately it is your choice.
- We will not be signing attendance forms for church school admissions so there is no need to bring your sheets to be signed each week. We are waiting for schools to re-evaluate their admissions criteria in the light of churches being closed over recent months.
- Communion is permitted, but we will only be distributing the bread.
- The Wardens will be noting down attendees at each church service, so that if there is a positive case of COVID-19 at church, NHS Test and Trace can be notified.
- If you have attended a service at St Bede's and you have a positive test of COVID-19, then you should inform Vinny or the Wardens immediately.

Our Wardens will be taking a note of who attends and will be passing this information onto the NHS Track & Trace service should we have anyone who tests positive for COVID19. If you DO NOT wish to have your information passed on, please see Gill or Jean

I look forward to seeing you in church

Vinny

Prayers for our Church family:

- Pray for unity in our Church family as people start to return to church, and some people can't or don't feel able to yet. Pray that we will continue to be united in Jesus Christ.

- Pray for our Ministry Team (Vinny, Malcolm, Pat, Carol, Gill & Tony) as we restart the Sunday services, and as we continue to put together a video for each Sunday to ensure that nobody misses out.

You might like to use this prayer from the Evangelical Alliance:

Read Ephesians 1:15-17

Gracious Lord, we thank you for people who love us. Who have cared for us and been there for us (take a few seconds of silence to picture them). Thank you for their advice, their kindness and their prayers.

We thank you for your love for us. That you have no favourites but you constantly love us fully and unreservedly. Help us to love others in your name.

Lord in this time of change and uncertainty, grant us wisdom and revelation. That we may make good decisions for ourselves and for others. Amen.

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 – <u>David.almond3@ntlworld.com</u>

Church Rocks & Shiny Pebbles





Word Search - based on Psalm 121

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Hi everyone

Just reminding you that St Bede Parish, Bolton-le-Moors are now registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 4,000 shops and sites will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself!

These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment.

You can find our easyfundraising page at

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stbedeparishboltonlemoors/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=en-e1

Thank you so much!

St Bede Fundraising Team



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Our Community Corner is part of our witness by supporting Morris Green

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If you know of any local businesses within Morris Green that may want to use this newsletter to advertise in return for a donation to Church funds, please ask them to contact Tony at

newsletter@st-bede.org.uk

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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