

13th
September
2020

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

Reading: 2 Timothy 3 v 14-17

"They devoted themselves to the Apostles teaching" (Acts 2: 42)

Biblical Teaching has always been at the heart of healthy discipleship formation. It was certainly key to Timothy's journey. Scripture provides the firm foundation in our Christian life. The Bible is the living Word that we are invited to learn from, enter into, and be shaped by, so that we in turn may be God's agents in the world that He loves. How can we practically and creatively engage with the Bible in our daily lives?

Vinny



Today's Service

This week is **Holy Communion**

Reading is **2 Timothy 3 vs 14 - 17**

Next week is **Holy Baptism**

Reading is **Romans 12 vs 9 - 21**

Today's Collect

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross; may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please pray...

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



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



News...

ELECTORAL ROLL

In preparation for our APCM, due to be held in October, the electoral role is being updated. If you would like to join the electoral role then please complete a form which can be found on the table at the back of Church. For existing members of the role there is a copy available to check that your details are correct, any amendments please let me know.



ELECTIONS

We currently have 4 vacancies on our Parochial Church Council and 2 vacancies on the Deanery Synod.

Forms can be found on the table at the back of Church for the following elections due to take place at the APCM:

- Church Wardens
- PCC Members
- Deanery Synod Members
- Sidespersons

Please complete the nomination form for any positions that you are interested in applying for.

If you have any queries please let me know.

Elaine Almond

PCC Secretary

ST BEDE'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Linking into our series on 'Holy Habits', we are launching a new evening Fellowship Group at St Bede's every other Wednesday, 7.30pm via Zom. This is a small group where we can read the Bible, share and pray together for an hour. For more info please contact me.

Vinny

ONLINE SERVICES

As most of our congregation at St Bedes are now worshipping with us in person on a Sunday morning; we have made the decision that there will be a single joint recorded service (with St Andrews) available on our YouTube channel every Sunday from 9am for those who cannot come to church. If you are unable to come to church at the moment then do keep in touch by worshipping with us online.

Thanks for your continued support

Vinny

FILM BOX FILL

This years film box collection raised a total of £125.00. Our thanks go to Freda & Rodney Turner for organising this again.

Thank you



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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

A thought from Ben Wilkinson - Curate @ Deane

“Stay Safe”

“Stay safe.” How many times have we said that so far this year? It’s probably the most repeated phrase of 2020, almost the new “good bye”. But what are we trusting to keep us safe?

The top answer in the UK is almost certainly the NHS: the doctors, nurses, hospitals, paramedics and support staff. I have been in regular contact with several doctors and nurses in our local churches during this pandemic and all of them have been working extremely hard. They have put their own lives and the lives of their own family members at risk by doing their jobs.

The NHS is a gift of God to this country. The first hospitals in this country were set up by Christians and the whole idea of the NHS seems to have been inspired by the commitment of many Christian people to care for others. We give thanks for the NHS.

But there is a problem – even with the NHS – and we need to be aware of this. The NHS cannot keep us truly safe. In the end, the NHS cannot save us from death. It might be able to delay or death by a few years or even a few decades, but it cannot keep us truly safe from death.

So where can we turn? In Mark’s Gospel we read about a woman who realised that the doctors could no longer help her (Mark 5v21-34). “When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, because she thought, “If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed.”

She reaches out to Jesus as her only hope. She’s confident that he has the power to heal her. Does he really? Let’s read on... “Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering.”

It raises the question “who is this man?” He has such power to heal, far more than any doctor. And it’s complete and immediate and it gives wholeness of life.

The answer is that Jesus is God. God the healer, God the saviour, God the life-giver. Jesus not only has the power to heal, but he’s also full of compassion. “At once Jesus realized that power had gone out from him. He turned around in the crowd and asked, “Who touched my clothes?”... Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, trembling with fear, told him the whole truth. He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering.”

Jesus makes it clear that it wasn’t so much the physical touch as reaching out with faith in Jesus that made this woman well. And the same thing is true today: Billions of people know about Jesus. I guess billions of people have some kind of contact with the message of Jesus. But we need to do more than that. We need to trust him. We need to reach out to him in faith, knowing that he is the only one who can keep us truly safe.

Not even the NHS can keep us truly safe. Wonderful as it is. Only Jesus can do that for us.

I’d like to close with some words that a doctor friend of mine wrote earlier in this crisis. His name is Monty Lyman and he’s a skin specialist working on Oxford. His book on skin was Radio 4’s “Book of the week” earlier this year. In March, Monty was redeployed to the COVID ward of his hospital and a few weeks later he had a bad bout of coronavirus himself.

At that time Monty wrote this:

“In his ministry, Jesus gave hope to those with broken bodies by healing the sick, but this temporary relief pointed to healing from an even greater illness. Jesus came to forgive sins and offer eternal life, and through his death on the cross and resurrection believers have – despite living in a time of broken bodies and anxious minds – a certain, eternal hope.”

Ben

Church Rocks & Shiny Pebbles

DIRECTIONS FOR LIFE

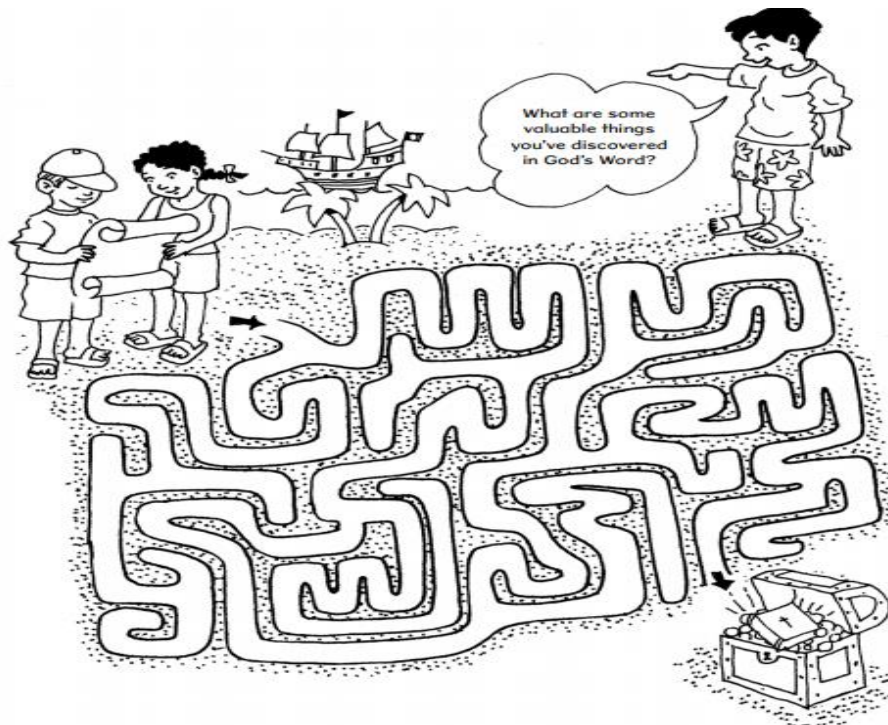
Do you like jigsaws? Sometimes, putting a jigsaw together can be quite tricky, particularly when we don't have a picture to work from. Building Lego models can also be difficult. Putting together all the pieces in the correct places to form a model can be frustrating. However when we follow the directions that come with the Lego set, it becomes much easier to put together. Having directions helps us.



We also have directions for our lives and we can find these directions in the Bible. They are God's directions for our lives. We can use the Bible to help us make our lives easier and more fun. When we have tough decision to make, the Bible helps make it easier. When we read the Bible, we can follow God's direction for our lives. If we follow God's special directions, we know how to make good choices in life.



In the picture below, can you help the children to follow the instructions to guide them to the Bible treasure? Then answer the question that the boy is asking





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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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