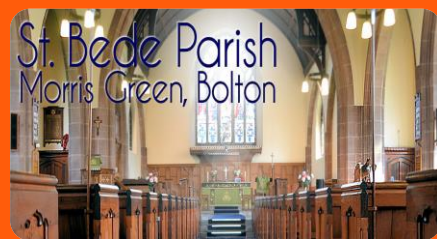




St Bede

Parish Church, Bolton-le-Moors



28th February 2021

2nd Sunday of Lent

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

Seeing the Bread of Life

Reading: John 6 v 25-40

In this passage Jesus declares himself to be the bread of life. In Jesus we find life in all its fulness and when we look at the cross we see the life-giving cross. Are our lives feeling flat? Perhaps in this time of Lent we need to come to Jesus and allow Him to breathe new life into us.

Vinny



Today's Service

This week is **Together for God**

Reading is **John 6 v 25-40**

Next week is **Family Holy**

Communion Reading is **John 10 v 1 - 18**

Today's Collect

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



Please pray...

Jean	Sean
Michael	Jennifer
Doreen	Colin
Minti	Catherine
Ronnie	Natalie
Carys	Sylvia
John	Paul
John	Mary
David	Ann
Bernard	Stephen
Lynn	Yvonne
Will	Rob
Barbara	Susan
Wendy	Rachel
Lynn	Jo
Norman	Dawn
Gill	Michelle
Malcolm & Pat	



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



News...

'THE GLORY OF THE CROSS' JOINT LENT COURSE 2021

Our Lent course continues this week on **Wednesday at 8pm** on Zoom.

The Glory of the Cross will also be our focus during our services in Lent. We hope you will be able to join us as we journey towards Easter.



HOW DO WE RECOVER? A Reflection

Perhaps the most vital question of all, and one we should be near the top of serious conversations at the highest level between Church, state and all interested parties, is how we move back towards whatever the 'new normal' is going to be. Some people have expressed the pious hope that when this all over we will have a kinder, gentler society. We shall pay our nurses much more. We shall be prepared to give much more help to the hospice movement. We shall have enjoyed the fresh air so much, unpolluted by thousands of cars and planes, that we will want to travel less, and spend more time with family and neighbours. We shall celebrate our emergency services, our delivery companies, and all the people who looked after us.

I wish I thought this was true. I fear however, that as soon as restrictions are lifted there will be a rush to start up again such businesses as we can – and, in all sorts of ways, that is quite right and proper.

Wouldn't it be nice if this were true?

God and the Pandemic – Tom Wright

ST ANDREWS AND ST BEDES ZOOM PRAYER MEETING

Sundays, 6.30pm-7pm

As we continue to struggle with the Covid-19 crisis, following the Archbishops encouragement to keep on praying for our community and nation, we are resuming our joint Zoom prayer meetings with St Andrews each Sunday.

All are welcome to join us and the details are as follows:

Zoom ID Code: 852 4137 2903

Passcode: 123456

Join us as we pray for ourselves, our community and our world.

"Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours" (Mark 11: 24)

ST BEDE FELLOWSHIP GROUP

We will be continuing our 'coffee & chat' zoom session each Sunday at 11.30. All are welcome. Zoom details are as follows;

Meeting ID: 723 9323 8608

Passcode: 654321



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**St Bede Charity
Partners 2021;**



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 or visit our website – www.st-bede.org.uk

Church Rocks & Shiny Pebbles

Jesus - The Bread of Life

Jesus said to them, "I tell you the truth, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." "Sir", they said, "from now on give us this bread." Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty."

John 6: 32-35 (NIV)



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In the Christian calendar, February 17 marks the start of the season of Lent which lasts for 40 days. Lots of people aim to do something positive on each of those 40 days. Here are some ideas, in no particular order – why not give it a try on your own or with your family. Inspired by 40 Acts <https://40acts.org.uk/>

Give somebody a compliment today
Send a letter, card or picture to someone who is important to you
Be the first to say sorry to somebody
Go the whole day without arguing with anyone
Turn off lights, TV and chargers when you leave a room
Call a grandparent or uncle, or little cousin.
If someone does something for you, make sure you say 'thank you'
Drink more water - when you're healthy and energetic, it is much easier to be kind.
Create a Giving Bag or Box. Add items to it that you are willing to donate to a charity shop (when you are able to)
Instead of using a vehicle to travel today, walk or cycle or scoot everywhere
Is there a way to be a good team player today? Maybe that means helping each other out with something at home
Make a card or note saying something nice about someone in your household and hide it in a place that they will find it
Pick up litter and put it in the bin – if you are doing this on a walk, check it's safe to pick it up
Start telling jokes, watch something fun together, or whatever makes you laugh!
Be brave today. Do something that you found hard last time you tried
Take 10 minutes to just sit quietly and relax doing nothing.
Be spontaneous! Sometimes, random acts of kindness just come to you in the moment! What will you think of today?
Ask somebody to tell you about themselves and really listen
Learn to say 'hello' and 'thank you' in some different languages
Surprise somebody (in a nice way!) today



Tell somebody why you think they are special
Try not to interrupt. Listen carefully, you may learn something new
Try to find out about somebody your own age from a different country and imagine what it would be like to swap lives
Make a point of connecting with someone of a different generation today.
Help someone realise how amazing they are today
Recycle any paper, plastic, tins or glass that you use today
After lessons or work try for some screen free time of two hours or more - no Facebook, no apps, no phone calls, tv or games
Make an extra effort to smile more at others – it really can bring joy to their day!
Today might be a good time to make that apology you owe someone
Tidy up your bedroom without being asked to
Make sure to exercise - taking care of your body is important
Write down 5 things you are thankful and tell someone about it
Say sorry first, even if it wasn't your fault
Ask other people in your household if there is any job/task you can help them with today
Be positive all day and try only to say encouraging things to other people.
Create an encouragement jar - write some encouraging messages on slips of paper, place them in a jar and then people in your household can take it in turns on different days to take one from the jar
Make a present for someone out of scrap you can find. For example, a hanging mobile or collage picture
Got a favourite book or film with a positive message? Tell someone about it and think about are how you can live out that message
Be spontaneous! Sometimes, random acts of kindness just come to you in the moment! What will you think of today?
Think before you speak and make sure your words build people up today

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 our 'virtual' 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.



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