

11th April
2021

2nd Sunday of Easter

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

Responses to the Resurrection: Thomas

Reading: John 20 v 19-end

Thomas is the one disciple who is honest about his doubts about Jesus. Yet as he encounters the Risen Jesus, he is also the first disciple to declare the Risen Jesus as "my Lord and my God". Whatever doubts we may have had about Jesus, are we willing to encounter the Risen Jesus today and declare Jesus as our Lord?

Vinny



Today's Service

This week is **Family Holy Communion** Reading is **John 20 vs 19-end**

Next week is **Holy Baptism** Reading is **Acts 3 vs 12-19**

Today's Collect

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred; open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.



Please pray...

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



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



News...

APCM ARRANGEMENTS

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the arrangements for the APCM have slightly changed and the APCM will now take place on Zoom at 12pm on **Sunday 11th April**. The details of how to log in for the APCM are below. You can access the meeting either by computer or telephone. If you still feel unable to access the meeting but you have a question that you would like to raise at the APCM then do e-mail Elaine.

Topic: St Bedes APCM Meeting

Time: Apr 11, 2021 12:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82858341005?pwd=N3JEQkhxVlU5cDQ5c2hPN05DOStBZz09>

Meeting ID: 828 5834 1005

Passcode: 110421

ANNUAL REPORT FOR APCM

The 2020 Annual Report is now available on the Church website, this will be presented at the APCM on the **11th April**. Please take time to read the report which reflects on our life at St Bede during the different year we had in 2020, celebrating all the good work that still went on despite there being a pandemic. You can find the report at <http://new.st-bede.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/St-Bedes-Bolton-Le-Moors-Annual-Report-2021.pdf>. If you are unable to join us for the APCM but would like to ask any questions or make any comments please let Elaine Almond know.

ST BEDE FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Today's meeting is postponed due to the Annual Church Meeting

CONFIRMATIONS 2021

Our LAMB Mission Partnership Confirmation Service will be taking place on Sunday 20th June at 6.30pm at St Andrews Over Hulton with the Bishop of Bolton.

If you want to be confirmed this year, or explore confirmation then we will be starting a small group soon to help you prepare for confirmation.

If you are interested or want to know more then please contact Vinny

HELP WITH OUR ALLOTMENT

St Bede Academy are looking for some 'green fingers' to help them bring their allotment up to scratch. Any and all help would be appreciated.

If you have some spare time to help show the children how to care for an allotment, please contact Tony who will pass on your details –

tony@st-bede.org.uk or 07967 223380

THANK YOU

A massive 'belated' thank you to Jill and Angela for decorating our church last Sunday to celebrate Easter Day. The church looked amazing. We are so blessed to have such amazing volunteers in our church family who give up their time so freely.



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raise money
charity. noun
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St Bede Charity
Partners 2021;

URBAN
OUTREACH



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

FROM DOUBTING TO BELIEVING

John 20:19 - 31

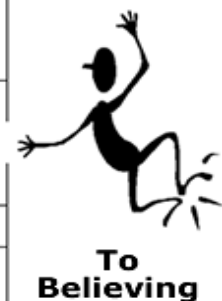
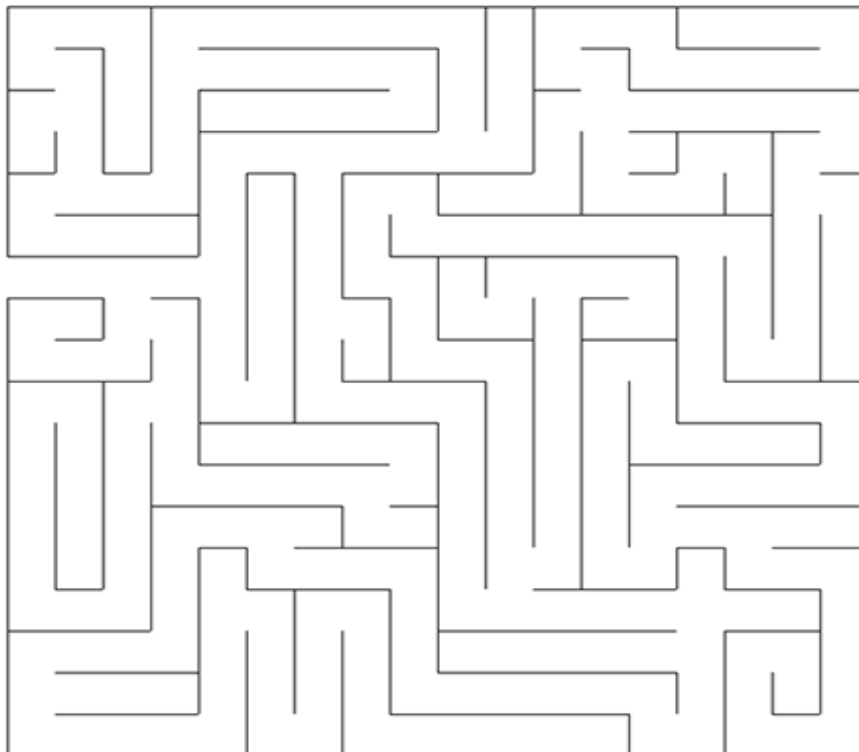
It was the Sunday after Jesus was crucified and his disciples had gathered together in a locked room because they were afraid of what Jesus' enemies might do to them. The Bible tells us that, even though the doors were locked, Jesus came in and stood there with his disciples. When the disciples saw Jesus, they were very happy.

One of the disciples, whose name was Thomas, was not there with the others in that room when Jesus appeared to them. When the other disciples saw Thomas, they told him that they had seen Jesus, but he didn't believe them. "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it," Thomas told them. Thomas was honest about his doubts about Jesus.

A week later the disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. The very same thing happened again. Even though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among his disciples. He turned to Thomas and said, "See my hands; put your fingers here. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe." Thomas didn't need to touch the wounds where the nails had been or put his hand into his side. Despite his previous doubts, he was the first disciple to declare the Risen Jesus, as he fell on his knees before Jesus and said, "My Lord and my God!". Are we willing to do the same?



Can you find your way through the maze, from doubting to believing?



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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