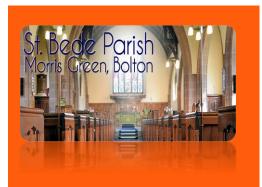


Parish Church, Bolton-le -Moors





15th August 2021

11th Sunday after Trinity

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

Heroes of the Old Testament: Ruth

Reading: Ruth 1: 6-18

The book of Ruth begins with tragedy; as Naomi's husband and 2 sons die. With no-one to look after her; she decides to return to Bethlehem - her home town but encourages her 2 daughter-inlaws to stay in their own land where they will have more chance of finding new husbands. Ruth however - remains faithful to Naomi and refuses to leave Naomi. Ruth's story faithfulness links to God's story of faithfulness; God's faithfulness enables Ruth to find a new husband; and this links with God's great plan of salvation - because Ruth and Boaz are in the family line of Jesus. How can we be faithful today and how do we see God's faithfulness in our own lives?

Today's Service

This week is Family Holy Communion

Reading is Ruth 1 vs 6-18

Next week is Baptism
Reading is Esther 4 vs 7-16

Today's Collect

God of glory, the end of our searching, help us to lay aside all the prevents us from seeking your kingdom, and to give all that we have to gain the pearl beyond all price, through our saviour Jesus Christ.



Please pray...

Jean Michael Doreen Minti Ronnie Carys John John David Bernard Lynn Will Barbara Wendy Lynn Norman Jonathan & family David, Barbara & Family

Sean Jennifer Colin Catherine Natalie Sylvia Paul Mary Ann Yvonne Rob Susan Rachel Family of Jo Dawn Michelle Carol & Tony Isabella Barbara



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



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St Bede Charity Partners 2021;



News...

BOLTON LUNCHES INITIATIVE

During this summer school holidays Urban Outreach will once again be helping to bridge the hunger gap for those children that would normally receive free school meals via the 'Bolton Lunches' initiative.

There has been a good response for volunteers however they are still short on numbers for Friday mornings.

If you would be available to help with the pack and sandwich making on any Friday during the school holidays from 7am to 8-30am please contact the Urban Outreach office on 01204 385848 or email admin@urbanoutreach.co.uk to add your name to the volunteer list.



OUR FATHER

Our Father

Who art also our Mother,

Our Brother,

Our Sister,

Our Lover,

Our Friend

Thank you for being who you are and who you will be world without end.

Amen

Ruth Burgess

PAPER VERSION OF THE NEWSLETTER

With effect from today there will be paper versions of this newsletter available in church. You will need to take these yourself as they won't be given to you.

The deadline for things to be included in the newsletter will be **WEDNESDAYS**



CONTACTLESS GIVING AT ST BEDES

During August we are trialing contactless giving at St Bedes.

Recently many of us have got used to using contactless payments rather than cash and as a result often people no longer carry cash on them.

Whilst we are continuing with the collection plate, envelope system and direct debit system for people to donate to St Bede's Church

we now also have a contactless payment machine at the back of church for those who prefer contactless and wish to make a donation to St Bedes Church.

Donating is easy and you can set the amount you wish to donate.

Thank you for your continuing support



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> or visit our website – <u>www.st-bede.org.uk</u>

Church Rocks & Shiny Pebbles

Faithfulness

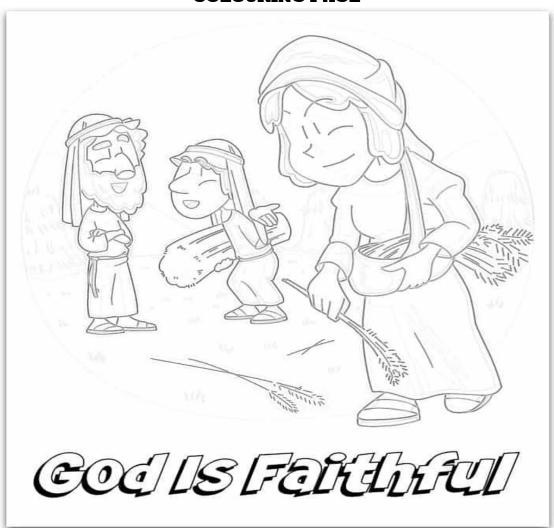


Our bible hero of the Old Testament in today's reading is **Ruth**. The first chapter of Ruth is a powerful lesson in how to trust God when life gets really bad.

'But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. 17 Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the Lord deal with me, be it ever so severely, if even death separates you and me." When Naomi realized that Ruth was determined to go with her, she stopped urging her.' Ruth 1:16-18

God wants us to be loyal and faithful to our friends and family; even when things seem challenging, He will work things out for good. How can we be faithful today?

COLOURING PAGE



Other news...

Climate & Environment Conference Sat 2nd Oct, 3-4pm



In the build up to COP26 the Passion for Bolton Climate & Environment Task & Finish Group are holding a Climate & Environment -"Responding in Bolton" Conference on Sat 2nd Oct 2021 3-4pm at St Michael's Church Great Lever BL3 2PJ to envision, harness, equip people across Bolton to unite and respond to the Climate & Environment Emergency -reducing carbon footprint, improving conservation of the natural world and campaigning to achieve the sustainable development goals.

The conference hosted at St Michael's Great Lever BL₃ 2PJ on Saturday 2nd October 3-4pm includes guest speaker such as

- 1. Revd Grace Thomas supporting 300 churches as one of the Manchester Diocese Environment Officers
- 2. Kathryn and Harry leading St Michael's Country Church in a Town Conservation Project
- 3. Grant and Lee pioneering community garden projects in Farnworth and Oldham's Estate
- 4. Rachel Morris envisioning, equipping and empowering teenagers in high schools as Climate & Environment Champions
- 5. Barb Hackett sharing the goals of Green Umbrella in Bolton
- 6. Dave Wyke sharing the Bolton-wide vision for responding to the Climate & Environment Emergency



This month you can WIN £250 for St Bede Parish, Bolton-le-Moors and prize for yourself by entering the #easyfundraising Back to School Giveaway!

For a FREE entry, all you have to do is visit the competition page and click any of the listed retailers. This would make a BIG difference to us during this difficult time, so please take a moment to get involved!

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/giveaway/back-to-school?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_source=social&utm_medium=facebook&utm_content=rm-btsgiv21-f1

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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