

22nd August
2021

12th Sunday after Trinity

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

Heroes of the Old Testament: Esther

Reading: Esther 4 v 7-16

Queen Esther found herself in a difficult position when her uncle Mordecai asked her to intervene to save her own people (the Jewish people) from a plot to kill all Jews. Esther at first refused; with such a volatile King, Esther would be risking her own life if her request displeased the King. But as Mordecai reminds her; perhaps it was God's plan that she was Queen for 'such as time as this' (v 14). Esther eventually agrees to approach the King, as long as all the people prayed, and as a result she saved her own people! Do we believe God has a plan for our lives and what positions do we find ourselves in at the moment for 'such a time as this?'

Today's Service

This week is **Baptism**

Reading is **Esther 4 vs 7-16**

Next week is **Together for God**

Reading is **Daniel 2 vs 17-23**

Today's Collect

God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through our saviour Jesus Christ.



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 |
| Jonathan & family | Carol & Tony |
| David, Barbara & Family | Isabella |
| | Barbara |



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



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.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Dan and Caroline Holt who were married at St Bede's Church last Saturday!

It was a wonderful occasion and may God bless you both!



STOP PRESS

The deadline for things to be included in the newsletter will be **WEDNESDAYS**. Please contribute where you can!



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



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St Bede Charity
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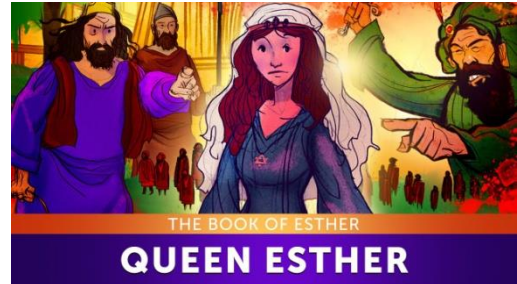
Our Church depends very heavily on fundraising as well as regular giving to keep our Church afloat.

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

Church Rocks & Shiny Pebbles

Esther - The Brave Queen

Our bible reading today is about a beautiful young woman name Esther, who became a queen and saved her people from being destroyed by an evil enemy. would definitely fit into the category of a Hero of the Old Testament. Read book of Esther in the bible to find out more about the plan that God had for Esther.



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WORDSEARCH

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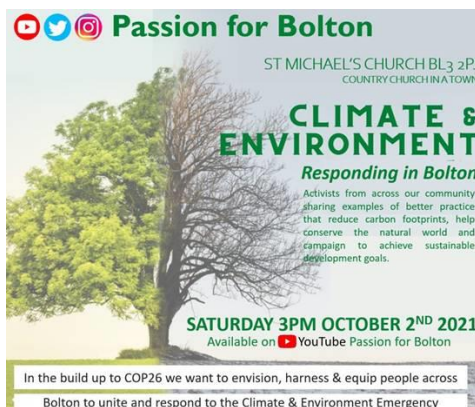
ESTHER
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DEATH

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BEAUTIFUL
QUEEN
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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-btsgjv21-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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