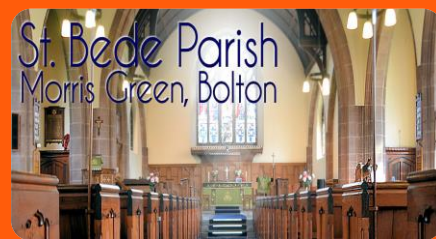




St Bede

Parish Church, Bolton-le-Moors



26th
September
2021

17th Sunday after Trinity

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Editorial

Questions God Asks: Why are you crying out to me?

Reading: Exodus 14 v 5-25

Moses and his people are in trouble. As they flee from Egypt, Pharaoh has a change of heart and chases after them. In their terror the people cry out to God and question why God has led them into the desert to die. In response God comes back with another question 'Why are you crying out to me' – take action – keep running. When we are in trouble and we cry out to God – what does God want to say to us? What actions might he be leading us to take? Are we guilty of crying out to God and feeling sorry for ourselves when we should be taking action and trusting God is with us?

Vinny

Today's Service

This week is **All Age Family Service**

Reading is **Exodus 14 vs 5-25**

Next week is **Harvest Festival**

Reading is **Matthew 6 vs 25-33**

Today's Collect

Gracious God, you call us to fullness of life: deliver us from unbelief and banish our anxieties with the liberating love of 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	Yvonne
Lynn	Rob
Will	Family of Jo
Barbara	Dawn
Wendy	Michelle
Lynn	Carol & Tony
Norman	Isabella
Jonathan & family	Barbara
David, Barbara & Family	Sharron and family
	Marion



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



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Diocese of Manchester

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News...

HARVEST FESTIVAL 2021

Sunday 3rd October, 10am

We invite you to join us for our special Harvest Festival on Sunday 3rd October at 10am

As part of our Harvest Celebrations, we invite you to bring a harvest donation for Urban Outreach, our charity partner for 2021.

Suitable donations include tinned food, rice, pasta, tea, coffee, shampoo, wet wipes, nappies, etc. Please see the list at the end of this newsletter

Thank you for your support.

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**At the heart
of Christmas**



This year's Christmas Fayre will be held on **Saturday 4th December 2021**. We are looking to make it a little different this year so if you have any ideas, please join us for a meeting on **Tuesday 12th October** in the Community Room at 7.30pm.

STOP PRESS

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



NORMAN HOWARD

We are sad to announce that Norman Howard passed away last week.

Norman was a much loved character here at St Bede and supported Sharron in running our Luncheon Club.

Norman's funeral will take place here at St Bede's at 2pm on **Thursday 30th September**.

Do keep Sharron and the family in your prayers.



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

MOSES COLOURING SHEET



Other news...

The Big Picture **Bible Overview**

Imagine trying to understand and enjoy just one chapter of an Agatha Christie novel without knowing the plot so far. An isolated chapter would seem confusing and dull.

The Bible can also appear strange when read as disjointed sections without an understanding of how the books fit together!

The Bible has a plot and central themes that its' ultimate author (God) developed from beginning to end. What we need is a big picture of Scripture, a "Bird's Eye View of The Bible".

Are you ready to see the "Big Picture"?

If so, then join Kwez and Glynn for the adventure to begin. All notes will be supplied, but it would be useful if you could have a Bible with you and, of course, a sense of humour.

The next sessions will be held during October for 5 Saturday mornings commencing on 2 October. We will meet in the family room at St Andrews from 9 to 12 am, followed by food and fellowship.

At the end of the [overview](#) you will have an understanding of the Bible as a whole, understand the context in which books were written and have a complete set of notes for your own future reference.

If you would like to join [us](#) please either email or phone:

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Tel 07855 522 439



Challenges and Future Plans at St Bedes

Vinny writes... In Moses' encounter with God at the burning bush; God asks Moses 'What is that in your hand' (Exodus 4:2). All that Moses has in his hand is an ordinary staff. Yet as Moses offers his staff to God in faith; God in his awesome power uses the staff to work out his amazing plans and purposes.

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you, our church family at St Bedes, some of the challenges we face but also some of the exciting future plans we have for St Bedes; so we can pray together and discern where God is leading us.



The Challenge

We have been incredibly blessed at St Bedes that many of you have continued to faithfully give financially to support the ministry and mission of St Bedes and personally I want to thank you for your continued support.

However the Covid-19 pandemic has had a financial impact on us all including ourselves as a church and as a Diocese. Social restrictions have meant we have missed out on doing many of our social/fundraising events and as a result for 2021 so far St Bedes Church has a shortfall of **£3,000**. This means we also have no money to do much needed upgrades to the church building and facilities at St Bedes for example replacing the sound system (which we have been quoted £6,000+ to replace).

As a church, we are not alone in this financial challenge. In 2020 Manchester Diocese made a loss of **£3 million**. This already means there are major consequences which will impact on our mission and ministry at St Bedes. All churches in the Diocese are being restructured into **Mission Communities** where we are being asked to work in larger teams and there will be less stipendiary (paid full time) clergy available. At the moment the plan is for St Bedes to be part of a Mission Community which consists of 14 churches (Horwich, Westhoughton + Deane) with an allocation of 5 stipendiary clergy.

Future Plans

Despite the challenges we face; I am excited and confident about the future and we have so much to be thankful for at St Bedes. We have a new curate, Ben, who has settled in well to life here at St Bedes. Our children's ministry is restarting and we are able to do social events again which are an important part of engaging with our wider community. Our Going Deeper Group will be returning soon and we have a growing number of opportunities to engage with our wider community through our church school, St Bedes Academy.

As we enter a new season I believe God has so much more in store for us at St Bedes. Yet each one of us needs to play our part in God's plans and purposes and we need to be willing to offer to God what is in our hand; whether that is our time, our resources and our money so that future generations of people in Morris Green can hear the good news of Jesus.

Please continue to pray about the challenges and also the exciting future plans we have here at St Bedes and how you might respond in faith

Vinny

There are a number of ways in which you support financially the mission and ministry of St Bedes Church.

Standing Order

You can set up a standing order or make a donation through internet banking via your own bank. Our church account details are as follows:

Bank Name: Lloyds TSB

Account Name: St Bede's Parochial Church Council

Sort Code: 30-96-85

Account Number: 02869759

There are also standing order forms available to pick up at the back of church. Completed forms should be handed in to David Almond, our treasurer, or Gill and Jean our Wardens.

Collection Plate

Some people prefer to make a donation through the collection plate. Currently we do not pass round the collection plate during the service but you can place envelopes and money donations on the collection plate at the back of church. If you pay tax, please could we encourage you to use gift aid envelopes. This enables us to claim an extra 25% from the Government.



Card Machine

As a result of the pandemic many of us prefer to use card payments rather than carry cash with us. At St Bedes we have a card reader at the back of church near the collection plate which you can tap your card in order to make a set donation of £3 or £5.

One off Donations

If you would like to make a one off donation; there are envelopes available at the back of church.

Supporting Fundraising Events

Finally, turning up and supporting our many fundraising events through the year such as the Christmas Fayre, makes a real difference to your church.

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Harvest Supper Quiz

Friday 1st October 2021

Ellesmere Road Club

7.30 – 10.00pm

Who will win the coveted St Bede Harvest Supper Trophy?

Teams of no more than 4

Pasty and Peas included in the ticket price

£5.00 Adults £3.00 Children £12.00 Family Ticket

Email fundraising@st-bede.org.uk for more information

Pay in cash or by card

*See Jean
Phillips*





Please use this list as a guide to what we need to help make up our food parcels.

Items highlighted with * are what we need the most.

For food safety / quality reasons, please don't donate any bakery products or items that require refrigeration or freezing.

Donated food can be dropped off at Unit 4 (former Staples / Office Outlet) on Trinity Retail Park, off Bradford Street, Bolton BL2 1HY. Just drive down past Burger King and Arnold Clark Car Sales. The Hub is open 10.00am – 4.00pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; and 10.00am – 3.00pm on Wednesday's.

Thank you!

Ambient / Long-Life Items

Tinned Soups (Any)

*Tinned Minced Beef

*Tinned Corned Beef

*Tinned Stewing Steak

*Tinned Meat Stews

*Tinned Chicken Stews

*Tinned meat or chicken curry

Tinned Veg Curry

*Tinned Ham

*Tinned Meat Pies

Tinned Fish (any)

Tinned Carrots

*Tinned Mushy Peas

*Tinned Garden Peas

*Tinned Processed Peas

*Tinned Mixed Vegetables

*Tinned Tomatoes

*Tinned Potatoes

*Instant Mash

Dried Rice

Microwave Rice

Dried Pasta

Cuppa Soup

Small cooking oils (max 200ml)

Cooking Sauces (jars)

Gravy granules and cubes

Herbs & Spices (any)

Salt & Pepper

Tomato Puree

Pickled beetroot, onions or cabbage

Salad Cream

Tomato Sauce

Brown Sauce

Coffee Powder

Instant Hot Chocolate

Long Life Fruit Juice (1 ltr or similar)

*Cordial

*Long Life Milk

Tinned Sweet Pie Fillings

Tinned Sponge Puddings

*Tinned Fruit (any)

* Instant Custard Powder

Tinned Custard

Rice Pudding

Sugar

Biscuits

Baking Products

Flour (Plain & Self Raising)

Angel Delight

Evaporated Milk

Trifle Mixes

Jellies

Cleaning Equipment

*Large food bags

Antibacterial Spray

Dish Cloths

Bleach

Toilet cleaner

Toiletries

Shampoo and Conditioner

Toothpaste

Toothbrushes

Toilet Rolls

Baby Wipes

*Nappies (all sizes but especially size 4 upwards)

Fresh Fruit and Veg

Apples and Oranges

Carrots, greens and potatoes

Salad items (not containing 'use by' dates)

Thank you for your help and support

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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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