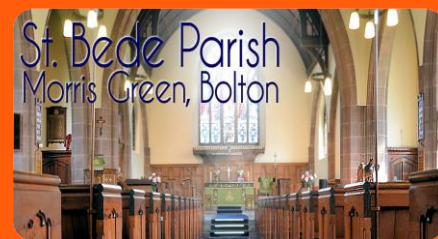


"God is able to do  
immeasurably more  
than all we can ask or imagine  
according to his power that is at  
work within us"  
(Ephesians 3: 20)



13<sup>th</sup>  
February  
2022

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Lent

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

## Editorial

### Jésus' Life 2 – The Beatitudes

Reading: Luke 6 v 17-26

The Beatitudes sum up Jesus' teaching about what it means to live as a child of God's kingdom. Some of these sayings are difficult to understand, and some are uncomfortable for us today as they would have been to Jesus' first hearers. Looking at how Jesus lives them out himself is the best way of understanding what they mean. So, for instance, if you are not sure what Jesus means by 'blessed are those who mourn', look at the examples in Jesus' own life and ministry where he cries out with sadness and anguish to God. This will help us see that mourning is not just about bereavement, but a whole attitude of lamentation and crying out to God when we see and experience the injustices and sorrows of the world.

**Tony** – Licensed Lay Minister  
(Reader)

## Today's Service

This week is **Holy Communion**

Reading is **Luke 6 vs 17-26**

Next service is **Holy Communion**

Reading is **Luke 8 vs 40-56**

### Today's Collect

Eternal God, whose Son went among the crowds and brought healing with his touch: help us to show his love, in your church as we gather together, and by our lives as they are transformed into the image of Christ our Lord.



### Please pray...

Jean  
Michael  
Doreen  
Minti  
Ronnie  
Carys  
John  
John  
David & Norma  
Bernard  
Lynn  
Will  
Barbara  
Wendy  
Lynn  
Jonathan &  
family  
Keith

Sean  
Jennifer  
Colin  
Catherine  
Natalie  
Sylvia  
Paul  
Mary  
Ann  
Yvonne  
Rob  
Family of Jo  
Dawn  
Michelle  
Isabella  
Barbara  
Marion  
Sean  
Lee  
Ben



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



 THE CHURCH  
OF ENGLAND  
Diocese of Manchester

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raise money  
**charity** - noun  
provide help  
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St Bede Charity  
Partners 2022;



## News...

### MISSION SHAPED LIVING - LENT PROGRAMME 2022

Lent is around the corner; so here are the details for our joint St Bedes and St Andrews Lent Programme which is based on the book 'Mission Shaped Living'.

Our programme begins with our joint Ash Wednesday Communion Service at St Bedes Church (Community Room) at 7.30pm on **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** as we explore the theme 'Being Sent'

Then our Joint Lent Course begins every **Wednesday, 7.30pm** during Lent at **St Andrews**

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm -  
Confidence

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm -  
Courage

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 7.30pm -  
Compassion

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm -  
Connecting

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm -  
Continuing

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm -  
Conversion

If you are planning to come on the Lent Course then please contact Vinny and make sure you pick up your Mission Shaped Living Book from the back of church. (Available from the 20<sup>th</sup> February - suggested donation £8)

*Vinny*

### STOP PRESS

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



### FANTASTIC NEWS ...

our monthly luncheon club is back!!

Meeting on the first Wednesday of every month beginning on the **2<sup>nd</sup> March at 12pm** for a lovely 2 course meal being served at 12.30pm, prepared by the great catering team at St Bedes Academy, for the bargain price of £6.50, this price also includes a soft drink and tea or coffee.

So why not join us for a lovely social event to have a chat and some good food.

We are also looking for any volunteers who are available to help with the service and the washing up.

If you would like to join us on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March either for a meal or to help out then please speak to either Elaine or Dave Almond or Sharron Howard.



### PLATINUM JUBILEE OF QUEEN ELIZABETH II

2022 marks 70 years of the Queens accession to the throne.

*Did you know? - The Mayfair home in which Queen Elizabeth was born has become an expensive Cantonese restaurant*

There will be more interesting facts in the weeks coming up to the Diamond Jubilee celebrations in June!

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](mailto:David.almond3@ntlworld.com) or visit our website – [www.st-bede.org.uk](http://www.st-bede.org.uk)

## Church Rocks & Shiny Pebbles

# The Beatitudes

Luke 6: 17-26



WORDSEARCH – based on Luke 6: 20-26

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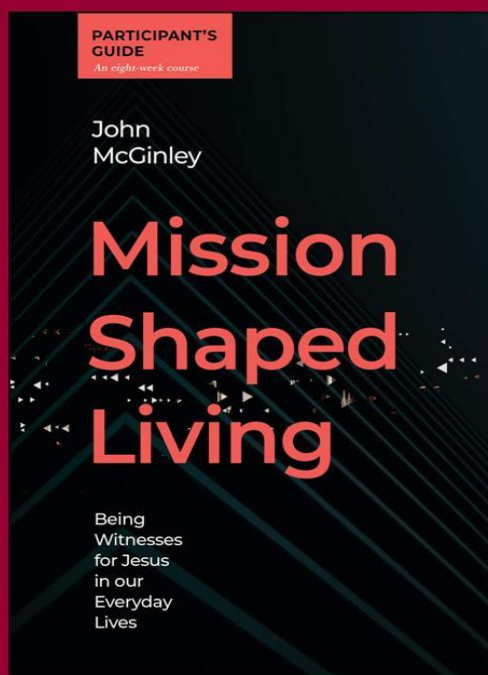
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Proudly announcing our  
St Andrews and St Bedes Lent Course 2022

# Mission Shaped Living



This practical book and course explores what it means to follow and live for Jesus in our everyday lives

We are launching our Lent Course at our joint Ash Wednesday service at St Bede's Church on **Wednesday 2nd March** at 7.30pm and the Lent Course continues every Wednesday evening (from the 9th March) during Lent at 7.30pm at St Andrews.

To book your place on the Mission Shaped Living Course please contact Vinnie ([vincentwhitworth@hotmail.com](mailto:vincentwhitworth@hotmail.com)) and pick up your study guide at the back of church.  
(available from the 20th February)

# MENDING BROKENNESS

God is in the business of mending broken things....

This mixed media art session, inspired by the Japanese art of Kintsugi, will explore what it means to be restored. Our scars not hidden, but transformed into a beautiful testimony to the love of Christ and His healing.

2 hours to be still and create with Jo Young.  
All materials and guidance will be given

**Friday 25th February 7pm - 9pm  
at Cafe Create**

Booking Essential at Cafe Create  
or via [createbolton@gmail.com](mailto:createbolton@gmail.com)



On the following pages are some extracts from the local newspaper in 1932 when St Bede was opened. I hope you find them as interesting as I did!

## **VICAR'S 50 FOOT CLIMB.**

### **Cross Placed on Top of Church.**

Accepting the friendly challenge of a stonemason, the Rev. A. E. Beswick, vicar of St. Bede's, Daubhill, Bolton, climbed 50ft. to the highest point of his new church yesterday afternoon and placed in position a stone cross.

He climbed steadily up the scaffolding to his lofty perch amid the good humoured banter of workmen employed on the erection of the church and the cheers of many of his parishioners, who watched him from below.



## Bolton Parish Helped by the Queen.

### PARCEL OF GIFTS FOR BAZAAR.

### LONDONDERRY ASSOCIATIONS.

Mrs. Margaret Hickman, of Smethurst-lane, Bolton, a native of Londonderry, received a parcel of gifts from her Majesty the Queen in connection with the bazaar organised by the parishioners of St. Bede's, Morris Green, Bolton, with the object of raising the cost of their new church, which is expected to be completed by Easter.

Mrs. Hickman wrote acquainting her Majesty with the needs of the parish, and the Queen sent her a Japanese tray, a writing pad, three small gilt photo-frames, a pair of China ornaments, two babies' rattles (in blue and pink), a giant propelling pencil, a child's cup and saucer, and a box of beads. They were displayed for sale at the bazaar held during the week-end.

Mrs. Hickman received the following letter, which accompanied the gifts:—"The Lady-in-Waiting presents her compliments to Mrs. Hickman, and is commanded by the Queen to acknowledge her letter of the 28th and to say that her Majesty will be pleased to send a small gift for the bazaar in aid of the new Church of St. Bede's, Bolton, and hopes that a good sum may be raised by the sale of work in order to start the church free of debt."

The parish came into prominence as a result of the activity of the vicar, Rev. A. E. Beswick, who, to raise money for the new church, stood begging for a whole day in one of Bolton's busiest streets, and later spoke from the stage of a Daub-hill cinema.

Dr. R. W. Hickson, who presided at the opening ceremony of the bazaar, said—"I believe in publicity, and I think we have in this gathering three of Bolton's best publicity agents in your vicar, whose novel methods of raising money have been so widely noticed; in Mrs. Hickman, who has brought the needs of the church to the notice of the Queen; and in Mr. Booth, whose efforts on behalf of the town are well known."

*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 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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