

22nd June 2025



Editorial

1st Sunday after Trinity

Reading: Matthew 5 v 3-12

The Lord's Prayer – Three Hearty Praises

Let us look at the words of the prayer that Jesus taught us, which should be regarded as a model, not a formula that has to be observed every time we pray. It is a God-given guide for us to use.

As we continue our series on The Lord's Prayer, we focus on the first 3 hearty praises.

1. **'Hallowed be your name'**. Here we declare God's holiness. While we get to intimately call God "Our Father" we must not forget and acknowledge that His name is holy. God is sanctified and treated with the highest honour possible. In Genesis 1, verse 3 our Creator God, spoke the words "let there be light". We should hold Him in the highest honour allowing Him to enter our hearts with His righteous ways.
2. **'Your Kingdom come'**. The second petition is an urgent request that God will fully establish His kingdom here on earth. As Christians we look forward to the day when God's sovereign rule will be fully realised in our hearts. The day when we will be reshaped back into His glorious image.
3. **'Your Will be done, on earth as it is in heaven'**. This praise focuses on seeking God's will and asking for God's will and purposes to come to fruition. God reigns in heaven absolutely, which means that all of heaven experiences His perfect will. Jesus wants us to pray that the earth will experience the same.

In these three praises, we praise God for who He is and praise God for his wonderful plans. Yet as we pray these words, we must also remember our own role in God's plans and purposes. In our reading today from Matthew 5, verses 3 -12, Jesus reminds us in 'The Beatitudes' that we too are blessed when we play our part in answering our own prayer, **'Your Kingdom come, your will be done'**.

Carol Hardman- Authorised Lay Minister



Please Pray for...

Minti R
David & Norma V
Barbara S
Brenda & Ken
Betty
Lee A
Stuart & family
Jackie
Isaac
Jodie
Anne H
Ross
Belinda K
Phil & Sue B
Norma M
Freda
Rebecca W
Samantha W
Emma H
Chloe
Alison H
Rachael B
John H & Debs
Sue S
Vinny H
Bishop David †
Michael F
Rev Malcolm



Remember, this list is for those who need our prayers, not just the sick or bereaved.

This week at St Bede

Sunday 22nd June

10am Baptism Service

Join us for our all-age baptism service as we welcome the family and friends of Sofia and Mabel Fletcher who are being baptised this morning. We'll also be continuing our sermon series on the Lord's Prayer.

Wednesday 25th June

6pm WOW (Worship on Wednesday)

Join us for WOW this week as we continue our series 'Heroes of the Bible'. This week we are looking at the hero Elijah in the Old Testament.

Friday 27th June

9.15am St Bede Academy Collective Worship

Taking place in church this morning

Saturday 28th June

2.30pm Ordination of Priests at Manchester Cathedral

Please do pray for Sweetline and Matthew Burnell as they are ordained priest in the cathedral today and come and support them if you are able.

Sunday 29th June

10am Holy Communion

Join us for a very special occasion as our curate, Sweetline, presides at Holy Communion for the 1st time. We'll also be continuing our series looking at the 'Lord's Prayer' and the 3 humble requests we are invited to ask for.

Our children's ministry group 'Church Rocks' is meeting this morning and do stay around for the bring and share lunch after the service.





St Bede Charity Partner 2025.



COLLECT

God of truth, help us to keep
your law of love and to walk in
ways of wisdom, that we may find
true life in Jesus Christ your Son.

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, Simon Brooks
for further details –
brooks_simon@hotmail.co.uk

visit our website
www.st-bede.org.uk or scan the QR
code below



THE LORD'S PRAYER SERMON SERIES

This week we continue our
exciting new sermon series
reflecting on the prayer that Jesus
taught us: the Lord's Prayer.

Over the next few weeks we'll be
exploring the different sections of
the Lord's Prayer..

15th June - Our Father

22nd June - Three Hearty Praises

29th June - Three Humble
Requests

6th July - Amen

Our series is based on the book
'Praying By Heart' written by the
Archbishop of York, Stephen
Cottrill.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

We are looking for volunteers to help us
at our Summer Fair this year which will
be held on **Saturday 5th July**. We have
plenty of stalls planned as well as a
bouncy castle, kids races and adult
games along with BBQ food and a café
serving Strawberries and cream!

If you have some free time on Saturday
5th July to help us out, please see Gill or
Jean. Thank you.



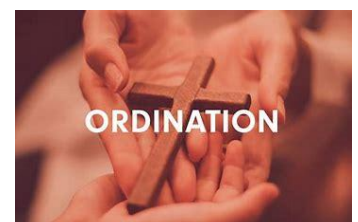
SWEETLINE'S ORDINATION AS PRIEST

On **Saturday 28th June, 2.30pm** at
Manchester Cathedral our curate,
Sweetline, will be ordained as a priest.

If you would like to come to support
Sweetline and share in this celebration
then please sign up at the back of
church to indicate you are coming.

The celebrations continue on **Sunday
29th June, 10am** at St Bede when
Sweetline will preside at her
1st Communion Service. Following this
service there will be a bring and share
meal to celebrate Sweetline's
ordination.

Finally; if you wish to contribute to an
ordination gift for Sweetline from us all
at St Bede; please put your donation in
the envelopes provided at the back of
church.





St Bede

Parish Church, Bolton le Moors

Living for Jesus at the Heart of our Community

SUMMER FAIR

SATURDAY 5TH JULY
1PM – 4PM

IN THE CHURCH GROUNDS



**KIDS AND ADULT
GAMES
BOUNCY CASTLE**



FREE ENTRY



**CAFE
STRAWBERRIES,
AND CREAM,
PLENTY OF STALLS
THE GREAT CHURCH
BAKE OFF
COMPETITION!**



Join us for our
new all-age
worship experience
at St Bede Church

Join us for fun, food, songs, games,
and activities as we explore faith and life together.

We meet every Wednesday
6.15pm-7pm
St Bede Church Community Room





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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