

NEWSLETTER

28th September 2025





Editorial

15th Sunday after Trinity

Reading: Genesis 3 v 1-13, 17-19

This part of the Bible, from Genesis 3:17, talks about what happened after Adam disobeyed God. Because of his actions, the harmony between humans and nature was broken. God cursed the ground, showing how our actions affect the environment. This curse meant that life would become harder, with people needing to work hard to survive and face many challenges.

Thinking about this verse makes us wonder how our choices impact not just ourselves, but the world around us. Have you ever thought about how what we do affects the environment? How can we work towards fixing the balance that was messed up by sin? This verse is a strong reminder of the consequences of disobedience and the importance of taking care of the earth. We should be mindful of our impact on the world and remember the responsibility God gave us to look after His creation as we go about our lives.

This passage is highly relevant today. Effort and perseverance remind us of the inherent value in a world where we often seek instant gratification and easy solutions. It speaks to the struggles we face in daily life, whether through physical labour, emotional toil, or spiritual battles.

Consideration of the environmental crisis we are currently experiencing also brings this scripture to the forefront. The "curse on the ground" can be seen in the degradation of our planet and the increasing difficulty of sustaining life. This reminds us of the responsibility we have to care for our environment, not as an optional task, but as a fundamental aspect of our human journey.





Please Pray for...

Minti R
David & Norma V
Barbara S
Brenda & Ken
Betty
Lee A
Stuart & family
Jackie
Isaac
Jodie
Anne H

Sue S
Vinny H
Bishop David †
Michael F
Joanne
Brian G
David P
Re-Ordering Project
WOW & Beyond WoW

Emma H

Rachael B

John H & Debs

Chloe

Ross Belinda K Phil & Sue B Norma M

Samantha W

Pause Café

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



Tony Whitehead-Licensed Lay Minister

This Week at St Bede

Sunday 28th September

10am All-Age Service

Join us for our all-age service as we continue our series 'Creation Care' and how God calls us to care and look after our broken world.

Wednesday 1st October

12.30pm St Bede Luncheon Club

Our monthly Luncheon Club meets again this week. Join us for a delicious 2 course meal and an opportunity to meet with friends old and new. To book your place contact Elaine Almond.

6.15pm WOW

Worship with us this week as we continue to reflect on the character of God by exploring how God is a God of Grace. Our Youth Group **Beyond WOW** also meets again this week at the same time.

7.15pm Alpha Course

Our new Alpha Course continues this week as we reflect on the question 'Why did Jesus die?' Come and join us as we explore the big questions of life and faith. For more information contact Sweetline or Vinny

Thursday 2nd October

Thursday 2nd October 9.15am, 11am, 2pm

St Bede Academy Harvest Services

Our church school Harvest services are taking place in church today.

7pm Prayer at 7

Our monthly prayer meeting Prayer at 7 meets again this week. Join us as we prayer walk our community and pray for our church and our community of Morris Green.

Friday 3rd October

7.30pm St Bede Harvest Supper Quiz

Make sure you buy your tickets for our Annual St Bede Harvest Supper Quiz Who will be crowned this year's champions!

Sunday 5th October

10am Harvest Festival + Pat's Final Service

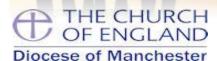
Join us for our all-age service as we celebrate Harvest and all the good gifts which God has given us. We will also be joined by pupils and staff from St Bede Academy. We'll also be saying thank you to Pat for her 37 years ministry as a Reader at St Bede Church with a bring and share lunch after the service.

5.30pm Evensong and Installation of Canons

Vinny has been invited to be an Honorary Canon of Manchester Cathedral in recognition of his wider work within the Diocese. Vinny will be installed at a special service in Manchester Cathedral during evensong.







St Bede Charity Partner 2025.



COLLECT

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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



CHURCH SECONDARY SCHOOL FORM SIGNING EVENING

Tuesday 7th October

If your child is in Year 6 this year and you are applying for a church secondary school (St James or Canon Slade) and you need your supplementary church form signing; then Vinny will be holding an evening where he will sign your forms on Tuesday 7th October at St Bede Church.

Please contact Vinny to book a 10 minute appointment. Appointments are available from 7.30pm onwards.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Harvest Supper Quiz - Friday 3rd

October at the Ellesmere Club. Tickets available now! £6 Adults £3 children which includes pie & peas supper. Teams of no more than 6

Tropic Night with flower arranging – Thursday 13th November in the Community Room. Tickets £5 which includes Cheese and Wine.

💩 Christmas Fayre 💩

Saturday 22nd November at St Bede Academy. 10am – 1pm.



Christmas Fayre
Monthly Appeal



October – Unwanted new gifts/Bottles

November – Cuddly Toys

We also urgently need donations of the following;

- Chocolate and sweets
- Gift bags
- Food for a Christmas Hamper

Also, if you are free on Saturday 22nd November and can help, we would very much appreciate your time!

SONGS OF PRAISE!

The Ministry Team are currently in the process of arranging a Evalgelistic weekend in October 2025 and as part of that event, we will be holding a *Songs of Praise* morning in Church on the Saturday morning followed by a BBQ! The whole Morris Green Community will be invited. So, if you want your favoutrite hymn or worship song played, please fill in the form at church.

St Bede Ministry Team

ST BEDE HARVEST FESTIVAL + PAT'S RETIREMENT SERVICE

Sunday 5th October

Do join us for our special Harvest Festival service this year! We are delighted that staff and pupils from St Bede Academy will be attending and the pupils will be singing for us.

Our harvest gifts this year will as always be donated to Urban Outreach for their various food projects. In particular, Urban Outreach would be very grateful for any of the following harvest gifts:

Pasta Sauce, Baked Beans, Rice Pudding, Tinned Meat Meals, UHT Milk

This year's Harvest Service is particularly special as our reader Pat Bristow will be preaching her final sermon at St Bede after 37 years of reader ministry at St Bede before she hangs up her reader robes! There will be a special bring and share lunch following the service as we give thanks for Pat's ministry. We also be celebrating Vinny's installation as Canon later that day!

REMINDER!

Vinny has been invited to be an Honorary Canon of Manchester Cathedral in recognition of his wider work within the Diocese.

Vinny will be installed at a special service in Manchester Cathedral on Sunday 5th October at Evensong at 5.30pm.



Harvest Supper Quiz

Friday 3rd October 2025

Ellesmere Club 7.00 – 10.00pm

Who will win the coveted St Bede Harvest Supper Trophy?

<u>Teams of no more than 6</u>

Pie and Peas included in the ticket price

£6.00 Adults £3.00 Children

Email <u>fundraising@st-bede.org.uk</u> for more information Pay in cash or by card







St Bede Parish invites you to

LightUp

@ St Bede Community Event

Friday 10th October - St Bede Primary Academy

The children will be singing songs, reciting poems and reading lessons

All are welcome – 3.30pm with refreshments

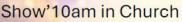
Saturday 11th October - Songs of Praise

A chance to sing your favourite hymns or worship songs

All are welcome – 11.00am with a Pie & Peas lunch afterwards

Sunday 12th October - Healing and Wellness Service

Join us for a special service centred on restoration, renewal, relaxation and connection. This uplifting service is designed to nurture the body, mind and spirit through prayer, worship and community support. Includes a special children's 'Puppet





Whether you are seeking healing, hope or simply a place to belong, you will be warmly welcomed. Bring a friend and be part of this time of renewal for our community.









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.

Contacts

Vicar– Rev Canon Vinny Whitworth – 01204 658921 vinny@st-bede.org.uk

Curate – Rev Sweetline Burnell – <u>revd.sweetlinepburnell@gmail.com</u> 07423084946

Associate Priest - Rev Malcolm Bristow - 01204 659816

Licensed Lay Minister (Reader) - Tony Whitehead - 07967 223380 - tony@st-bede.org.uk

Reader Emeritus - Pat Bristow

Authorised Lay Ministers - Gillian Blackburn, Carol Hardman

Church Wardens - Jean Philips - 01204 451676 Gill Blackburn - 01204 660396

PCC Secretary and Church Administrator – Elaine Almond – 07757099862 elainealmond22@gmail.com

Treasurer - Simon Brooks - brooks_simon@hotmail.co.uk

Organist - David Platt

Newsletter Editor - Tony Whitehead 07967223380

Social Media Team - Kirsty Critchley 07763 495009 & Tony Whitehead 07967223380

Administrator – Elaine Almond – 07757099862

St Bede Primary Academy Headteacher – Anna Black – 01204 61899

Chair of Governors – Tony Whitehead Vice Chair – David Almond

ST BEDE'S CHURCH, MORRIS GREEN, BOLTON-LE-MOORS

@StBedeParish, <u>newsletter@st-bede.org.uk</u> <u>info@st-bede.org.uk</u>

churchoffice@st-bede.org.uk www.st-bede.org.uk

0

