

12<sup>th</sup> April 2026



## Editorial

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**Reading: John 20 v 19-31**

Welcome to St. Bede this morning, the glorious Easter Sunday was last week when we remember that Jesus had Risen from the dead when Mary Magdalene went to the garden and Jesus told her to go and tell the Disciples the good news. Today we look at the first time that Jesus appears to all the Disciples. They were together in a room keeping a low profile after all the events of recent days on the evening of Easter Day. I say the Disciples were altogether, but that is not true as, Thomas was not present on the first occasion Jesus appeared to them.

When he was told that Jesus had Risen and had appeared to them he would not believe. He doubted the Disciples were telling the truth and said he wanted to see Jesus for himself and see the marks where the nails had been and his side that was stabbed whilst Jesus was on the cross before he would believe that Jesus had Risen. Hence, he was given the name "Doubting Thomas". We can all have times when we doubt the truth of things happening around us, but we must have the faith to believe in Jesus Christ and his love for each one of us. He did rise from the dead and is with his Father in heaven with the Holy Spirit and is there for each one of us if we have the faith to believe in Him and not be a "Doubting Thomas".

Gillian Blackburn - Authorised Lay Minister  
& Church Warden



## Please Pray for...

Minti R	Emma H
David V and family	Chloe
Barbara S	Rachael B
Brenda & Ken	John H & Debs
Betty	Sue S
Lee A	Vinny H
Stuart & family	Bishop David †
Jackie	Michael F
Isaac	Joanne
Jodie	Pauline G & family
Anne H	David P
Ross	Tania
Belinda K	Irene S
Phil & Sue B	Donna
Norma M	Re-Ordering Project
Freda	WoW & Beyond WoW
Samantha W	Pause Café
Anna B	

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



# This week at St Bede

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April

## 10am Holy Communion

Join us as we continue in this Easter season by reflecting on the people the Risen Jesus encountered after He rose from the dead. This week we are exploring Jesus' encounter with Thomas. Our children's ministry group 'Church Rocks' meets this week.

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April

## 7.30pm The Bible Course (at St Andrews)

Our joint Bible Course with St Andrews resumes this week as we explore Acts: The Story of Mission.

\*\*\* There is NO WOW this week. WOW returns next week \*\*\*

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April

## 10am Morning Service

As we continue our journey through the Easter season, today we focus on Jesus' encounter with Cleopas and his companion on the Road to Emmaus. Our children's ministry group 'Church Rocks' meets this week.





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### COLLECT

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.

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](mailto:brooks_simon@hotmail.co.uk)

visit our website [www.st-bede.org.uk](http://www.st-bede.org.uk) or scan the QR code below



### St Bede APCM (Annual Meeting)

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 10am

Please join us for our APCM on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April as we celebrate what God is doing here at St Bede and appoint church officers to serve for the coming year.

Our Annual Report, where we reflect back over 2025, is now available to download and read on our website. There are also hard copies at the back of church. We have much to be thankful for as we continue our journey of 'Living for Jesus at the Heart of our Community'.

Nominations are now open for our church officer roles for the coming year. This year we are electing wardens, PCC members, sidespeople and Deanery Synod reps. If you are interesting in standing for any of these roles and you would like a conversation about these roles then please speak to Vinny, a member of the Ministry Team or the Wardens.

### THE BIBLE COURSE

Even though the season of Lent has finished; our Lent Course 'The Bible Course' has not finished!

Don't forget to join us as we conclude the Bible Course with the final 2 sessions on Tuesday evenings, 7.30pm - 9pm at St Andrews Church.

14<sup>th</sup> April - Acts: The Story of Mission

28<sup>th</sup> April - Revelation: The Story Completed.



### BW PIZZA + GAMES NIGHT

Our new youth group, Beyond WOW (BW) are holding an open pizza and games night to anyone aged 11-16 who wants to come and join us.

If you are a teenager - why not come and give it a try? For more information contact Ciara Stott or Vinny.

### SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING

Our next event is our annual Race Night – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June at St Bede Academy School Hall. Get your tickets from today

We are also looking for new or 'not used' gifts for the prizes please!



# FAMILY PRIZE RACE NIGHT

5TH JUNE AT 7:00PM

Lots of competitive fun!  
All the family welcome

at St Bede CoFE Primary Academy School hall



Doors open: 7:00pm  
First race starts: 7:30pm  
£5 per ticket – no concessions



Tickets available from:

- Church
- DM Facebook
- Email: [fundraising@st-bede.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@st-bede.org.uk)

An Evening of Theatre  
Fundraising for Create Bolton

# TALKING HEADS

## A CHIP IN THE SUGAR

BY ALAN BENNETT

18<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at 7:30<sub>pm</sub>

Cafe Create, Claremont House  
Bark Street, Bolton BL1 2AX

Tickets £5.00



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*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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