



THE LINK
SUNDAY 8th MAY, 2022
4th SUNDAY OF EASTER

A warm welcome to everyone whether you are regular or visiting and to those on Zoom.

HYMNS:

- 79** For the healing of the nations
63 Faithful Shepherd, feed me
67 Father, I place into Your hands
432 O Jesus, I have promised.

COLLECT:

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your father's Sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the father.

All: Amen.

LECTIONARY READING:

Today's reading is from **The Acts of the Apostles:**

Acts 9:36-end

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL:

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **John.**

All: Glory to you, O lord

John 10:22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

PRAYERS:

We pray for our communities and in particular this week those who live on: Whitendale Drive, Windermere Road and Wordsworth Avenue.

We joyfully pray for Laker James Southam who is to be Christened today, and for his parents and family.

We pray for those who are sick or in need: Stephen, Jean Wilson, John, Olwyn, Albi, Ian, Fernando, Peter, Caroline, Nichola, Mike, Anne Deacon, Geoff Shaw, Sr Michaela at Hying and Rosemary.

We pray for those who have recently died, and for their families and friends: Irene Jones.

From our book of remembrance, we remember in prayer: Brian Needham, Ted Ainsworth, Margaret Lily Bowker, Anne Speight, Benjamin Bean and Robert (Bob) Cunningham.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen

NOTICES.



15th May- 21st May: Christian Aid Week

In Zimbabwe, the climate crisis is causing aching hunger for families. The combined effects of the Covid-19 pandemic, conflict, and drought have robbed them of the power to provide for their children.

And 7,000 miles away, the war in Ukraine will drive up food prices in Zimbabwe, and around the globe. Without the fertiliser and food vulnerable families will be pushed even deeper into hunger.

With every gift, every action, every prayer, we celebrate and share hope with our sisters and brothers facing crisis around the world, from Ukraine to Zimbabwe.

For more information, visit

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/key-appeals/christian-aid-week>

Annual Report: The Annual Report & Accounts has now been published and a copy is on the noticeboard near the kitchen at the back of church. The report will be presented by the Treasurer at the APCM on 15th May.

Parish Quiz Night, 7.30pm-9.30pm, Wednesday 18th May: Join us at The Blue Anchor for our Parish Quiz Night. Teams of 4, £1 per person. Join in the raffle for great prizes.



Flowers in Church 🌻🌺🌻:

The flowers at the altar are in Loving memory of Peg Hunter

The flowers at the Book of Remembrance are in Loving memory of Bill Prickett.



The Diocesan Prayer for Ukraine

Almighty God, seated above all the affairs of humankind and sovereign over nations and leaders, hear our prayer for Ukraine at this time of war; that lives may be spared, that national boundaries be respected and that forces of aggression be restrained. Grant, Lord God, peace in your world in our time. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

Parish Coffee Morning: Raised £305. Thank you to all who made this possible.

Parish Services and Events:

8th May, 9am: Sunday Service, St Mark's.

8th May, 9.15am: Second Sunday Service, Holy Trinity

8th May, 10.30am: Sunday Service with Holy Communion, Holy Trinity

8th May, 12pm: Christening of Laker James Southam, Holy Trinity.

10th May, 11.30am: Funeral of Irene Jones, Holy Trinity.

11th May, 10am: Wednesday service, Holy Trinity.

13th May, 7.30pm: Carnforth Choral Society, Holy Trinity.

14th May, 9am: Men's Breakfast, Holy Trinity.

15th May, 9am: Sunday Service, St Mark's.

15th May, 10.30am: Sunday service, Holy Trinity and on Zoom.

15th May 12-1pm: Holy Trinity and St Mark's APCM, Holy Trinity.

Further details of services and events can be found on our Calendar:

<https://bolton-le-sands.org.uk/holy-trinity-and-st-marks-calendar/>

Latest articles in "The Messenger" on the Website

- [Annual Parochial Church Meeting](#)
- [Community Centre AGM 18th May Agenda](#)
- [Christ Church Moving Stories May/June](#)

***Dates for your Diary*:**

17th May, 7pm: PCC Meeting, Holy Trinity.

18th May, 2pm: MU Strawberry Tea, Community Centre. Tickets £4.

18th May, 7.30pm: Parish Quiz Night, The Blue Anchor. Teams of 4 £1 per person.

21st May, 10am: Messy Church, Holy Trinity.

22nd May, 10.30am: Christening of Arthur-Joe Houghton, Holy Trinity.

2nd June, 10am: MU Coffee Morning, Community Centre.

3rd June, 7pm: First Friday Service, Holy Trinity.

7th June, 1.30pm: First Tuesday Hub, Holy Trinity.

8th June, 7pm: An Evening of Popular Music on the organ with Colin Parsons, MBE. Holy Trinity. Tickets £5

Please email kathrynpool@parishbbs.co.uk by Wednesday with any items for the Link.