



THE PARISH OF

**HOLY TRINITY**

BOLTON LE SANDS



& ST MARK'S NETHER KELLET



## **The Link**

Sunday, 22nd January, 2023

**3rd Sunday after Epiphany**

***Week of Prayer for Christian Unity***

St Mark's 9am - Morning Prayer

Holy Trinity 10.30am - Holy Communion

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### **HYMNS:**

- 630** Father, Lord of all creation  
**621** Dear Lord and Father of mankind  
**489** From Heaven you came  
**604** Brother, sister, let me serve you

### **COLLECT:**

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

### **NEW TESTAMENT READING:**

Today's reading is from **Paul's Letters to the Corinthians.**

#### 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ.' Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptised in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptised none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptised in my name. (I did baptise also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptised anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptise but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **GOSPEL:**

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

**All: Glory to you, O lord.**

#### Matthew 4:12-23

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of

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Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death, light has dawned.' From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.'

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **PRAYERS:**

We pray for our communities and in particular those who live on: Grange View, Grange View Road, Greenwood Avenue, and Garsdale Court.

We pray for those who are sick or in need: Olwyn, Albi, Ian, Lesley, Jennifer, Ann Deacon, Keith, Wendy Hilling, Mary, Peter and Helen.

We hold before God Jean Wild who has recently died, and pray for her family and friends.

From our book of remembrance, we remember in prayer: George Stackhouse, Irvine Taylor, Gordon William Mullard, Mavis Thomas, Anne Simpson, Thomas William Gardner, Margaret Bateman, John William Owen, Oliver Thomas Mapp, Violet Lloyd and Jeffrey Timms.

### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER:**

Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**All: Amen**



## Notices and Announcements:



**Flowers in Church:** The flowers at the Book of Remembrance are in loving memory of Jeffrey Timms.

Should anyone wish to have flowers in church in memory of loved ones, there is a new list at the back of church together with contact details. Many thanks. Sandy.

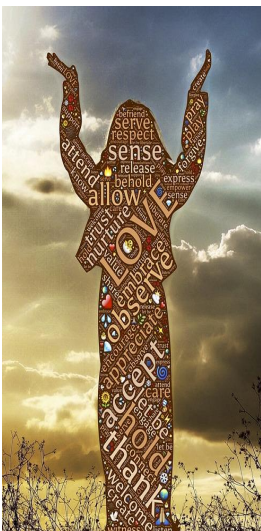
**Holy Trinity Community Coffee Morning.** Thank you for all who helped and came out in the cold weather to the coffee morning. We raised £305 for church funds.

**Bolton le Sands Horticultural Society Annual Grand General Knowledge Quiz: Friday 27th January. 7.30pm at the BLS Community Centre:** Entrance is £10 for a team of 4. Bring your own drinks. For more information Tel David Regan 823025 Email [David1regan@aol.com](mailto:David1regan@aol.com)



## ✨ Our Upcoming Services and Events ✨

**Wednesday, 18th January- Wednesday 25th January:** Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. **Daily Evening Meditation begins at 6.30pm on Zoom.** See posters at the back of the church.



**Wednesday, 25th January, 10am:** Wednesday Service, Holy Trinity.

**Wednesday 25th January, 12.00pm:** To mark the end of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity all are invited to a Soup Lunch in Holy Trinity for Christian Aid.

**Friday 27th January, 7.30pm:** Horticultural Society General Knowledge Quiz, BLS Community Centre.

**Sunday, 29th January, 9am:** Sunday Service, St Mark's

**Sunday, 29th January, 10.30am:** Sunday Communion Service, Holy Trinity and on Zoom.

**Wednesday, 1st February, 10am:** Wednesday Communion service followed by MU coffee, Holy Trinity.

**Friday, 3rd February, 7pm:** First Friday Service, Holy Trinity

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