



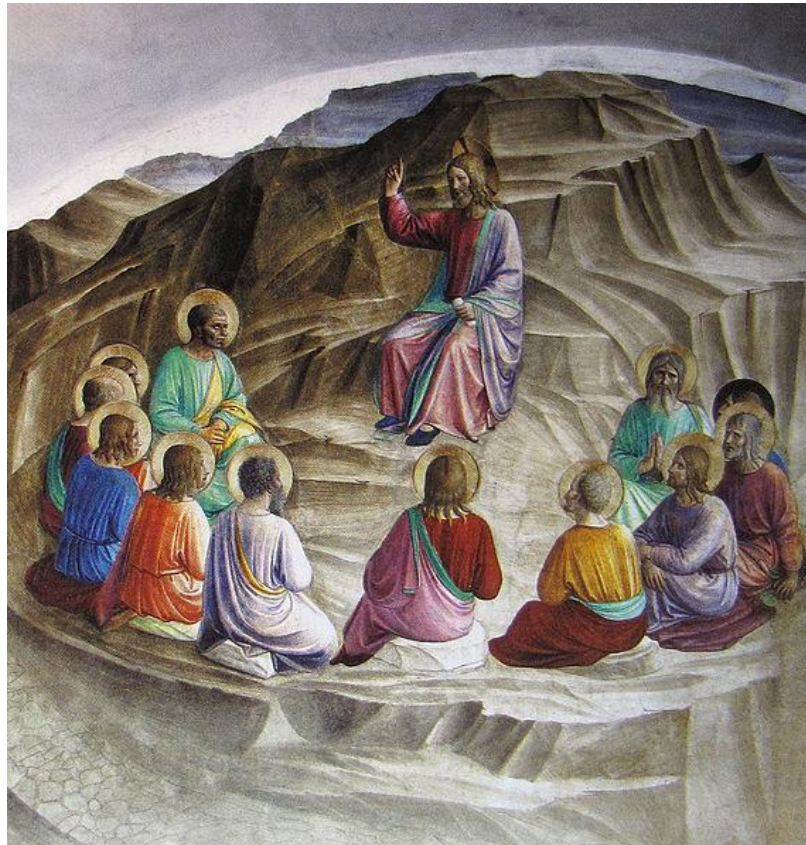
THE PARISH OF

**HOLY TRINITY**

BOLTON LE SANDS



& ST MARK'S NETHER KELLET



## **The Link**

**Sunday, 10th September, 2023**

**Fourteenth Sunday After Trinity**

St Mark's 10am: Morning Prayer Service  
Holy Trinity 9.15am - All- Age Family Service  
Holy Trinity 10.30am - Holy Communion Service  
*'The Beautiful Attitudes'*

### **HYMNS (ANCIENT AND MODERN):**

**532** All creatures of our God and King

**725** Make me a channel of your peace

**803** There is a hope

**671** I will sing the wondrous story

### **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. **All: Amen.**

### **NEW TESTAMENT READING:**

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

#### 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

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. For it is written, 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.'

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, 'Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.'

This is the word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

### **GOSPEL:**

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

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

Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

‘Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

‘Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

‘Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

‘Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

‘Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

‘Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

‘Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

‘Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

‘Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, O Christ.**

**PRAYERS:**

We pray for our communities and in particular those living on: Packet Lane, Pinewood Avenue, Ruskin Grove and Rydal Road.

We pray for those who are sick or in need: Harry, Rodney, Peter, Helen, Wendy Hilling, Elizabeth, Noel, The Severn Family, Paul, Ollie & a local grieving family.

We pray for the family and friends of Michael Duckett, Joan Noice, and Lynette Owens and Tony Cafferty who have recently died.

From our book of remembrance, we remember in prayer: William R.D. Parnell, William Cowperthwaite, Elizabeth Bithell, Edith Ryder, Ruth Mason, Brian Wilson and Florence Gardner.

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER:**

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **All: Amen.**

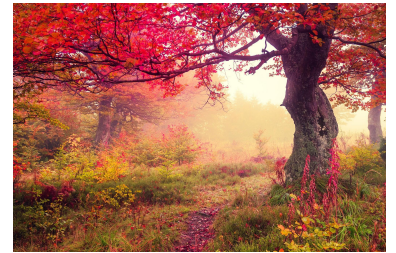
## Notices and Announcements

**Flowers in Church** 🌸: The flowers at the Book of Remembrance are from Trish for the Cooper family.



The next **Quiet Day at Hyning** will be on **Tuesday 3rd October**. The cost will be £27 per person. Numbers will be limited to a maximum of 30. Sr Michaela will be leading the talks. The sign up sheet is on the notice board, and please put contact details on the sheet in case of last minute changes.

**Tuesday, 12th September, 2pm Women in Fellowship Autumn Service, "Come As You Are" led by Vicar Peter. Tea & Cake afterwards. Any ladies are welcome to join us. Pam Bentley 822077**



**Please could anyone spare an hour on Saturday morning 23rd Sept 10am to help tidy up the church gardens?** Refreshments provided but could you bring your own trowels etc. Many thanks 🧑🌾

### ✝️ Our Upcoming Services and Events ✝️

**Tuesday, 12th September, 2pm:** Women in Fellowship Autumn Service

**Tuesday, 12th September, 7.45pm:** Prayer Meeting, Holy Trinity.

**Wednesday, 13th September, 10am:** Wednesday Communion Service, HT

**Friday, 15th September, 9.30am:** Shining Stars, Christchurch URC.

**Saturday, 16th September, 10am:** Messy Church, Holy Trinity

**Sunday, 17th September, 9am:** Holy Communion Service (Book of Common Prayer), St Mark's

**Sunday, 17th September, 10.30am:** Sunday Prayer Service HT and on Zoom

**Sunday, 17th September, 12.15pm:** Christening of Grace Lawson

