



THE PARISH OF

HOLY TRINITY

BOLTON LE SANDS & ST MARK'S NETHER KELLET



The Link

Sunday, 25th May, 2025

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Holy Trinity, 9.15am: The 9.15 All-Age Service

St Mark's 10.30am: Sunday Service at St Mark's

Holy Trinity, 10.30am: Sunday Holy Communion Service

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HYMNS (ANCIENT & MODERN):

702 Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us

258 O Thou who camest from above

427 Behold the Lamb

507 We have a Gospel to proclaim

COLLECT:

Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: help your Church to obey your command and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father. **All: Amen**

NEW TESTAMENT READING:

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

Acts 16:9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptised, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

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

GOSPEL READING:

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

All: Glory to you, O lord.

John 5:1-9

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralysed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, ‘Do you want to be made well?’ The sick man answered him, ‘Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Stand up, take your mat and walk.’ At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk.

Now that day was a sabbath.

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

PRAYERS:

We pray for our communities and in particular for all who live on Acorn Meadow, Addington Road, Alpine View, Ashmeadow Road and Ashmeadow Grove.

We pray for those who are sick or in need: Rodney, Angela, Andrea, Derek, and Stuart.


We pray for the family and friends of Lesley Guise who has recently died.

From our Book of Remembrance, we remember in prayer: John H. Booth, Marian Newsham, Ronald Cowperthwaite, Mabel Dowler and Douglas Harry Farr.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER :

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and forever. **All: Amen.**

Notices and Announcements

Flowers in Church : The flowers at the altar are in Loving Memory of Douglas Harry Farr.

Thank you from the Treasurer: Our congregation responded very generously to last Sunday's uplifting presentation by the Adullam charity, donating a total of £484.

Parish Finance: Inspired to give right now? There is always a collection plate for cash donations before, during and after services in church. We also have a 'tap-and-go' machine by the main door. You can also simply download our Giving page by scanning the QR code and use your card. Your donations are needed, and gratefully received. Thank you.



Mothers' Union: If you are able to bake cakes for Bishop Philip's Youth Holiday at Borwick could you please take them to the Community Centre Bolton le Sand before 10:30? Someone will pick them up and take them to Borwick Village Hall. There will be a Mothers' Union cake stall there so you could bake for that too if you wish!

Thank You from Kath Lane: Many thanks to all who have supported my Fundraiser for Dementia UK. I have reached my target of £500.00 but will continue to collect donations until May 31 when the challenge ends. I am very grateful to my church family. God Bless you.

First Friday Service, Friday 6th June: Have you a favourite hymn that has impacted on you either because of the words, the composer or the hymn writer? Would you share your reasons at the next FF and we will sing the hymn/song afterwards. Please tell Jane or Peter John.

† Our Services and Events †

Tuesday, 27th May, 7.45pm: Prayer Meeting, Held in the Vicarage Prayer Room

Wednesday, 28th May, 10am: Wednesday Communion Service, Holy Trinity Church.

Wednesday, 28th May, 7.30pm: Choir Rehearsal, Holy Trinity.

Thursday, 29th May, 9.45am: MU Community Coffee Morning, Bolton-le-Sands Community Centre

Sunday, 1st June, 10.30am: Sunday Communion Service in church and on Zoom, Holy Trinity.

Tuesday, 3rd June, 10.30am: St Mark's Holy Communion Service

Tuesday, 3rd June, 1.30pm: First Tuesday Hub, Holy Trinity.

Tuesday, 3rd June, 7.45pm: Prayer Meeting, Held in the Vicarage Prayer Room

