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BOLTON LE SANDS & ST MARK'S NETHER KELLET



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Sunday, 3rd May, 2026

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Holy Trinity, 10.30am- Family Communion Service

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HYMNS (NEW HYMNS AND WORSHIP SONGS):

- 678** (A&M) In Christ Alone
149 I Know That My Redeemer Lives
67 Father I Place Into Your Hands
12 And Can It Be

THE COLLECT:

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves or those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. **All: Amen**

NEW TESTAMENT READING:

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

Acts 7:55-60

But filled with the Holy Spirit, he gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died.

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 14:1-14

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.'

Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.'

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 in Whitendale Drive, Windermere Road and Wordsworth Avenue.

We pray for those who are sick or in need: Rodney, Andrea, Alasdair, Ian, Julie, Peter, Tony, Pat, Hazel, and Mark.

We pray for the family and friends of Peter Wood, who has recently died.

From our Book of Remembrance, we remember in prayer: Ian Francis Westran, Gloria Malin, Sheila Whitaker, Henry (Bill) Prickett, Olga Parker, Brian Needham, Ted Ainsworth, Marjorie May Taylor and Margaret Lily Bowker.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who 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 Peter John Colley.

Moonrakers Concert: Thank you to everyone who helped with the concert. Unfortunately we did not quite manage to break even. The music was spectacular.

Tuesday 5th May - First Tuesday Hub 1.30pm at Holy Trinity, with guest speaker Dr Thirza Deboo - 'Making Decisions in later life' - as always, everyone is welcome.



Parish Finance: The Tower Appeal Fund now stands at just over £6500. Only £3500 to go! You can donate online to account: Bolton le Sands Parochial Church Council, 01 - 01 - 60, number 94801738, reference 'Tower'. Thank you.

Fr Peter Houghton. Sadly we have to report that Fr Peter from St Mary's has retired after his recent illness. We remember him and all the parishioners at St Mary's in our prayers.

✝ Our Services and Events ✝

Tuesday, 5th May, 1.30pm: First Tuesday Hub, Holy Trinity.

Tuesday, 5th May, 7.45pm: Prayer Meeting. Held in the Vicarage Prayer Room.

Wednesday, 6th May, 10am: Wednesday Communion Service with MU Corporate Worship, Holy Trinity.

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

Sunday, 10th May: **Christian Aid Week Begins**

Sunday, 10th May, 9.15am: The 9.15 All-Age Service, Holy Trinity.

Sunday, 10th May, 10.30am: Morning Prayer at St Mark's.

Sunday, 10th May, 10.30am: Sunday Communion Service in Church and on Zoom, Holy Trinity.

Sunday, 10th May, 12.15pm: Christening of Maeve Gillespie, St Mark's Church Nether Kellet.

