



THE PARISH OF
HOLY TRINITY
BOLTON LE SANDS & ST MARK'S NETHER KELLET



The Link

Sunday, 21st June, 2026

Third Sunday After Trinity

Father's Day

Holy Trinity, 10.30am: Sunday Morning Praise Service in Church and on Zoom

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HYMNS (ANCIENT AND MODERN):

494	I the Lord of Sea and Sky
358	Be Still, For the Presence of the Lord
screen	Jesus, Be The Centre
593	At The Name of Jesus

THE COLLECT:

God our saviour, look on this beautiful world in pity and in power; hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **All: Amen**

PSALM READING:

Today's reading is from **Psalm 103**.

Psalm 103:1-13

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name.
Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and do not forget all his benefits
who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the Pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
who satisfies you with good as long as you live
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

The Lord works vindication
and justice for all who are oppressed.
He made known his ways to Moses,
his acts to the people of Israel.
The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
He will not always accuse,
nor will he keep his anger forever.
He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love towards those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far he removes our transgressions from us.
As a father has compassion for his children,
so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him.

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

GOSPEL READING:

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

All: Glory to you, O lord.

Luke 15:11-32

Then Jesus said, 'There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, "Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me." So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and travelled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, "How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.'" So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son." But the father said to his slaves, "Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!" And they began to celebrate.

'Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, "Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound." Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, "Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!" Then the father said to him, "Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found."

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 Chestnut Avenue, Church Brow and Church Brow Close.

We pray for those who are sick or in need: Alasdair, Tony, Ian, Peter, Carol, and Tony.

We pray for the family and friends of Geoff Shaw, and Lucie Marrinan who have recently died.

From our Book of Remembrance, we remember in prayer: Violet Middleton, Thomas Charles Lloyd, Sidney Charles Lloyd, Charles Seth Lloyd, John David Omer, Derek Crossley, Marie Wilson, Stanley Wilson, Olive May Cornthwaite, Alex Fryatt, Evan Makinson and Lillian Russell.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (Where Needed):

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **All: Amen.**

Notices and Announcements

Many thanks to the wonderful cake bakers and those who gave generous donations which have covered the cost of giving each of this year's school leavers a Bible. Jane Longton

✝ Our Services and Events ✝

Sunday, 21st June, 6.30pm: Youth Cafe, Slyne with Hest Church Hall.

Tuesday, 23rd June, 7.00pm: Zoom prayers for Tunstall Deanery Ignite application

Tuesday, 23rd June, 7.30pm: Prayer Meeting. Held in the Vicarage Prayer Room.

Wednesday, 24th June, 10am: Wednesday Communion Service, Holy Trinity.

Wednesday, 24th June, 1.30pm: Funeral of Geoffrey Shaw (Christ Church), Lancaster Crematorium followed by refreshments in Christ Church Hall.

Friday, 26th June, 8pm: Men's Intensive Care Meeting, The Blue Anchor.

Sunday, 28th June, 9.15am: The 9.15 All-Age Service, Holy Trinity.

Sunday, 28th June, 10.30am: Morning Prayer at St Mark's

Sunday, 28th June, 10.30am: Sunday Communion Service in Church and on Zoom, Holy Trinity.