



THE PARISH OF

HOLY TRINITY

BOLTON LE SANDS & ST MARK'S NETHER KELLET



The Link

Sunday, 30th August, 2026

Thirteenth Sunday After Trinity

Holy Trinity, 10.30am- Sunday Communion Service in church and on Zoom.



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NEIGHBOUR**



HYMNS (ANCIENT AND MODERN):

753 O Praise Ye The Lord!

669 I Heard The Voice of Jesus Say

787 Take My Life And Let it Be

494 I The lord Of Sea and Sky

THE COLLECT:

Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **All: Amen**

NEW TESTAMENT READING:

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

Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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

GOSPEL READING:

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

All: Glory to you, O lord.

Matthew 16:21-28

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be

killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

'For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

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 The Nook, Crosshill Court, Oakwood Grove, Old Station Lane and Orchard Avenue.

We pray for those who are sick or in need: Alasdair, Ian, Peter, Barbara, Hazel, Paul, Chris and Athena.

We pray for the family and friends of Helen Eaton, who has recently died.

From our Book of Remembrance, we remember in prayer: Eric Jackson, Dorothy Entwistle, Ruby Perks, Rennie Margaret Bates and Moses Edward Bowker (Priest).

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All: Amen.

Notices and Announcements

Flowers in Church: The flowers at the altar are in Loving Remembrance of Terry Davey and Florrie Fowler.

Swing Commanders Concert 26th September: Community centre. Tickets £20. Tickets are nearly sold out. Don't miss out. See Andy W. 07866260728

The Blackburn Diocese Mission Weekend 11-13th Sept

24hr prayer relay from Friday 11-12th 12 pm -12pm. Book now for a slot.

Saturday 12th Sept we are hosting a **free** Barn dance in the community centre, bring your own drinks and snacks contact Helen Wadeson helenwadeson@parishbls.co.uk . There are limited places so book now!

Sunday 13th there will be a special Mission service at **10:30am**. The theme is "Bring a friend."

7:30pm we will be launching our new **Cafe Church**. A new church adventure for adults. Not what you expect of a church service. Come and find out!

CHURCH 'BIG CLEAN': Your help is much needed for our Big Clean on **Friday 25th September from 6pm (high level dusting) and Saturday 26th September from 9am (polishing, dusting and floor cleaning)**. Please let me know if you are able to help! Remember that 'cleanliness is next to Godliness'! Rob Daunt
robdaunt@parishbls.co.uk

NB Please return your Children's Society collection boxes to Margaret Hutchinson.

✝ Our Services and Events ✝

Tuesday, 1st September, 9.30am-1pm: Safeguarding Training, Holy Trinity.

Tuesday, 1st September, 1.30pm: First Tuesday Hub, Holy Trinity.

Tuesday, 1st September, 7pm: Deanery Youth Prayer - on Zoom

Tuesday, 1st September, 7.30pm: Prayer Meeting, Vicarage Prayer Room.

Wednesday, 2nd September, 10am: Wednesday Communion Service, Holy Trinity with MU Corporate Worship.

Thursday, 3rd September, 7pm: Eco Church Meeting.

Friday, 4th September, 7pm: First Friday Service, Holy Trinity.

Sunday, 6th September, 10.30am: Sunday Communion Service in Church and on Zoom, Holy Trinity.