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BOLTON LE SANDS & ST MARK'S NETHER KELLET





The Link

Sunday, 29th November, 2026

First Sunday of Advent

Holy Trinity, 10.30am: Morning Praise Service

Followed by bacon butties!!!!!

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HYMNS (NH&WS)

6 All over the World
24 Be still and know that I am God
308 Take me Lord
175 Jesus is Lord

THE COLLECT:

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. **All: Amen**

NEW TESTAMENT READING:

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

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

GOSPEL READING:

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

All: Glory to you, O lord.

Mark 13:24-37

But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in clouds" with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

‘From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

‘But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.’

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 Ancliffe Lane, Ash Tree Grove, Back Lane, Brier Lea Road, and Broadlands Drive.

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

We remember in prayer the family and friends of Robert Cornthwaite who has recently died.

From our Book of Remembrance, we remember in prayer: Valerie Jean Gardiner, Maureen Bannister, John Mather, Wilson Bowker, Edward Wilson Bowker, George Ralph Melton, Jean Vivian Helliwell, Mary Edith Thompson Morris, Hilda Muriel McDermott, John Dixon, Eleanor Beatty, Thomas Beatty, Arthur Chesworth, and Michael Rigg Bowker.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (where needed):O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **All: Amen.**

Flowers in Church💐: The flowers at the Book of Remembrance are in Loving Memory of the Bell family.

Notices and Announcements

Christmas Wreaths and Plants: Order deadline for wreaths and flowers is Dec 1st. www.bolton-le-sands.org.uk.

The First Tuesday Hub meets at 1.30 on Tuesday 1st December - come along and try some 'Christmas Craft' activities! Everyone is welcome.

Advent Afternoon Tea: If you have a 2 or 3 tier cake stand we could borrow for the Advent Afternoon Tea, please bring them to church on Sunday 6th December. Thank you.

Compassionate Friends Service: Tuesday 1st December, 7pm Holy Trinity. Please join us for a special evening service of remembrance, as we come together to remember with love the children and loved ones we have lost.

Carnforth Community Choir. 5th Dec. Tickets available in church or on the website:

✝️ Our Services and Events ✝️

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

Tuesday, 1st Dec, 7pm: Compassionate Friends Service, Holy Trinity.

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

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

Wednesday, 2nd Dec, 7.45pm: Church Christmas Choir 2026 Rehearsal

Friday, 4th December, 7pm: Christingle Service, Holy Trinity.

Saturday, 5th December, 7.30pm: Carnforth Community Choir, Holy Trinity.

Sunday, 6th Dec, 10.30am: Sunday Communion Service in church and on Zoom,Holy Trinity. **Followed by bacon butties**