

Please Pray for Peace in our troubled world

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease.
and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven.
Through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen

The Priestly Blessing

The LORD bless you and keep you;
the LORD make His face shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
the LORD lift up His countenance upon you
and give you peace.

Numbers 6.22-27

Supporting St Bartholomew's – There is a donations plate by the door at every service, and if you can Gift Aid your donation, please use & complete a yellow Gift Aid envelope with your details.
There's also a "Contactless Collection Plate" if you prefer, also by the south door.

Or here's a QR code, which will
take you straight to our donations page –



If you would like to find out how to support St Bartholomew's on a regular basis, then please go to our website for more information, or phone the Parish Office on 01793 853272. And thank you!

Keep in touch, or let us know if any help is needed at:

Telephone: 01793 853272

Email: churchadmin@stbartholomews-wb.com

Please visit our website: www.stbartholomews-wb.com

for more information and links to Facebook & YouTube



***We seek to grow through prayer and
share Christ's love through engagement with all.***

Weekly News

26th October 2025



Sunday

8:00 am Holy Communion

10:00 am Parish Eucharist

Katey's last Service as our Curate and incorporating a presentation to her

Church Children meet in the Croft for Lego Church

enjoying a Bible story and play with Lego!

12:00 Bring and Share Lunch in the Church Hall

Celebrating and wishing well to Katey

Wednesday

10:30 am Holy Communion

Please note that the **Church Doors** are being refurbished and repainted on **Thursday & Friday** next week, so please be careful as access to the church will be restricted.

Next Saturday Our early Christmas Coffee morning – Saturday 1st

November, 10am – 12 noon at the Croft. Start your Christmas shopping with a browse of our cards and gifts, plus a raffle, cakes and Lucky Stars. And if you're able to make a cake for this Janet Gilder would be delighted to receive, with thanks!

Next Sunday Annual Service of Commemoration of the Departed

Sunday 2nd November at 3:00pm in Church. an opportunity for us all to remember with thanksgiving those who have died. During the service, which lasts about an hour, we read out the names of those who have died and light candles in their memory. We do include names of all who have had funerals in the last 2 years, and if you would like to add a loved one to be remembered in this way, please either email the Parish Office at churchadmin@stbartholomews-wb.com or let them have a written note with the details.

St Bart's Academy are looking for new school governors. Do you have some spare time and are looking for a meaningful and rewarding way to help our school? We are looking for volunteers with a Christian faith to join our Academy Ethos and Standards Committee (ASEC). Please contact the Parish office or see our website for more details.

FAREWELL KATEY AND FAMILY

OUR BLESSINGS FOR THE FUTURE

Sunday 26th October 2025

Bible Sunday

COLLECT

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast
the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING: *Isaiah 45.22-end*

Thus says the LORD,
Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth!
For I am God, and there is no other.
By myself I have sworn, from my mouth has gone forth in righteousness
a word that shall not return:
‘To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear.’

Only in the LORD, it shall be said of me,
are righteousness and strength;
all who were incensed against him shall come to him and be ashamed.
In the LORD all the offspring of Israel shall triumph and glory.

SECOND READING: *Romans 15.1-6*

We who are strong ought to put up with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Each of us must please our neighbour for the good purpose of building up the neighbour. For Christ did not please himself; but, as it is written, ‘The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.’ For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL READING: *Luke 4.16-24*

When Jesus came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free,
to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.’

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, ‘Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.’ All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, ‘Is not this Joseph’s son?’ He said to them, ‘Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, “Doctor, cure yourself!” And you will say, “Do here also in your home town the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.”’ And he said, ‘Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet’s home town.’