

Brindle Voice

June 2026



**“Now you are the body of Christ,
and each one of you is a part of it.”**

1 Corinthians 12: 27



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APPLES OF GOLD

Dear Friends,

One of the joys of June for me is that it is ordination season. In my diocesan role, I'll spend time this month with people who are about to begin their ministry as curates in parishes across Blackburn Diocese. It's a privilege to walk alongside them at such an important moment in their lives.

What always strikes me is that, while ordinations are rightly a celebration of those being ordained, they are never really about one person. Every ordinand arrives where they are because of the encouragement, prayers, support and faithfulness of countless others. Family members, friends, congregations, mentors, clergy and fellow Christians have all played their part.

In other words, ministry is always a team effort.

That thought has been on my mind because later this month, on Sunday 21st June at 10.30am, we will welcome Bishop Joe to St James for a Confirmation Service. We're delighted that eleven people will be confirmed, and it promises to be a really special occasion for our church family.

Like ordination, confirmation is often seen as a moment that belongs to the individual standing at the front. Of course, it is deeply personal, but it is also something bigger than that. Those being confirmed have been shaped by parents, grandparents, friends, godparents, church members and fellow worshippers. Their faith has not grown in isolation. It has grown within a community.

I think that is something we can easily forget. We live in a culture that often celebrates individual achievement, yet the Christian faith has always been about belonging. We are not simply followers of Jesus; we are followers of Jesus together.

When St Paul describes the Church as the Body of Christ, I don't think he is trying to give us a complicated theological lesson. He's describing something very practical. We need one another.

We see it every week. Church happens because people show up. People pray. People bake cakes, arrange flowers, unlock doors, stack chairs, welcome newcomers, lead worship, visit neighbours, run activities, count money and do a hundred other things that often go unnoticed. It all matters

Perhaps that's why I love both ordinations and confirmations. They remind us that God is still calling ordinary people. Not perfect people. Not experts. Ordinary people who are willing to say, however tentatively, "Yes, Lord." Thank you all.

As we look forward to welcoming Bishop Joe and supporting our confirmation candidates, I hope we'll celebrate not only their commitment but also the community that has helped them reach this point. And perhaps we'll be reminded that each of us has a place within the life of the Church.

At our recent APCM, a great occasion to give thanks to God for the year past and to look forward to plans for the year ahead, three teams in church shared their need for more help.

I'm pleased we've already had a good response, a great example of what it means to be the Body in action. If anyone would like to join the bellringers (Stuart), social committee (Lynn) or tea and coffee servers (Lynn), please contact Lynn or Stuart using the contact details in the directory at the end of The Voice.

Take Care and God Bless,

Rev Jon



BRINDLE ST JAMES PARISH ROUND-UP

On 7th May we held our APCM, a great opportunity to look back with thanksgiving and forward with prayerful anticipation. We are deeply grateful to Roger and Elaine, who both stood as churchwardens for another year, to Ann Greenland and Steven Boulton who will continue as Deanery Synod representatives, to Richard our Treasurer, to Julia our PCC Secretary, to the whole PCC, and to the many teams across church whose faithful service keeps our life together flourishing.

Last month also saw our first wedding of the year, when John and Maria were married – they made a wonderful couple, and we pray God’s blessing on them as they begin married life together. We also celebrated the baptisms of Freddie and George, giving thanks for their lives and praying for them and their families as they grow in faith.

As a church family we have also gathered to celebrate Ascension, Pentecost and Trinity. It has been a rich season in the liturgical calendar, and we continue to journey through it prayerfully, reflecting on how these events from Jesus’ time and before still shape, inspire and equip us on our own faith journeys today, both as individuals and as a church.



BRINDLE ST JAMES Church Services ~ June

7th	Holy Communion & Sunday School <i>Trinity 1</i>	10.30am
10 th	Praise Service	6.30pm
14 th	Holy Communion (Said) Holy Communion <i>Trinity 2</i>	9.00am 10.30am
21st	Confirmation Service with Bishop Joe & Sunday School <i>Trinity 3</i>	10.30am
24th	Praise Service	6.30pm
28th	Praise Service Holy Communion <i>Trinity 4</i>	9:00am 10:30am

You're warmly invited to join us in worship!

Everyone is welcome—whether you come every week or it's your very first visit. For more details, please visit our website.

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/11478/service-and-events/events-all/>

You can also contact our Rector, Jon:
rector@brindlestjames.co.uk

Open Garden Dates

14th June 2-4pm
Maxine Twist

28th June 2-4pm
Elaine Shuttleworth

5th July from 2pm
Lynn Packer

Full details available at church

**BRINDLE ST JAMES
BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE**

JUNE

1st	ENID PEARSON	1993
2nd	CHERITH CHEESEBROUGH	2016
3rd	SHEILA MAY WHITTLE	2016
8th	FREDA MARGARET ATKINSON	2022
10th	DORIS WILMER	2019
14th	THOMAS BELL	1998
20th	GEOFFREY MOORE	2024
22nd	RONALD REID DUXBURY PATRICIA KERWIN	1983 2018
23rd	OWEN PARRY JOHN DENIS CROASDALE	1950 2022
24th	MARGARET ELLEN COANE	1993
28th	ROLAND BLACKLIDGE DAVID DARBYSHIRE	2016 2020

If you would like to have a loved one remembered in the Book of Remembrance, please ask one of the Church Wardens for a form to complete.

**“Even though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.”
*Psalm 23***

**BRINDLE ST JAMES
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JUNE

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7th **ELAINE SHUTTLEWORTH**

14th **ELAINE SHUTTLEWORTH**

21st

28th

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Join us for a relaxed day of planting, tidying, and enjoying the fresh air.

All ages are welcome, whether you're a keen gardener or simply happy to lend a hand.

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

Planting and sculpting the lower garden • Planting flowers and shrubs • Weeding and border tidying • Clearing paths

WHAT TO BRING

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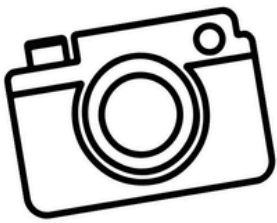
Extra tools and plenty of encouragement.

And in true Brindle style, this event will be fuelled by cake and drinks!

Come for an hour or stay all day – every helping hand makes a difference.

A Thought for the Day

"Let everything you do be done in love." — 1 Corinthians 16:14



CALL FOR FRONT COVER PHOTOS BRINDLE VOICE

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sallyprice07@gmail.com

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THANK YOU!



Mystery of the Shroud

Mr Bernard Kellett

It seems the good people of Brindle are quite sceptical - or at least those who attended the excellent talk by Tony Cunliffe at the Historical Society on Monday 18th May appeared to be. The talk took the form of an investigation into the historical and scientific evidence surrounding the Turin Shroud, with the audience cast in the role of Watson, Sherlock Holmes' fictional sidekick. The presenter clearly laid out the history of the Shroud, beginning with a demonstration using a full-sized replica of the linen cloth - all 14 feet of it. This helped to illustrate how the 1988 carbon-dating exercise later came under criticism because some researchers believed proper scientific protocol had not been fully followed. It is known that the Shroud was exhibited many times during the Middle Ages, and it is thought likely that it was handled in the same manner as demonstrated by volunteers in Brindle, holding it by the top edge. Analysis of linen from the top corner of the cloth has led some researchers to suggest that repairs had been carried out many years earlier. It was from this area that the carbon-dating sample was taken, leading critics to argue that the results may not have been representative of the original cloth.



The audience on Monday were presented with numerous scientific observations about the artefact, together with relevant extracts from the Bible, and at the end of the evening were asked to cast a secret ballot indicating whether they believed the relic to be authentic, an elaborate hoax, or something else. Those selecting the final option were invited to consider possible alternative explanations for how the cloth came to bear the image of a man.

The speaker has given this talk many times and revealed afterwards that, from all the results he has collected, around 50% of people believed the artefact to be authentic, while only 12% considered it to be a hoax. When the results were announced in Brindle, however, there was an almost equal split between the three options, with only 30% of attendees believing the cloth to be authentic and 35% suggesting that it was a hoax. So, as reported at the start, we are clearly a sceptical bunch in Brindle.



That said, everyone commented favourably on the excellent presentation, which kept the audience engaged throughout the evening - including the sceptics. For a very detailed analysis of the fascinating Turin Shroud, visit the British Society for the Turin Shroud website: <https://shroudofturin.uk>

Next Meeting

Monday 15th June

Chris Freeman will take a sideways look at how history and nature have shaped some of the things we may often have wondered about and explain some of the crazy reasons why certain things are as they are. Historical Society members get in free and it's just £5.00 for guests which includes tea or coffee, biscuits and a chat. This will be the last meeting before the summer break and the Society will reconvene in September.

Brindle Village Show Schedule 5th September 2026

Flower Section – 10 classes

- 1 5 stems of sweet peas
- 2 A single rose
- 3 A vase of any 3 roses
- 4 5 dahlias
- 5 3 stems of rudbeckia
- 6 A vase of cut mixed flowers
- 7 A vase of cut flowers, 5 stems, 1 variety
- 8 An hydrangea head
- 9 A geranium in a pot
- 10 A succulent in a pot

Floral Art Section – 6 classes

- 11 An Autumn floral wreath using fresh flowers, accessories allowed.
NOT TO EXCEED 40cm in diameter
- 12 A fresh flower arrangement in an unusual container
*** NOT TO EXCEED 38cm x 38cm***
- 13 A fresh floral arrangement with a gold candle
- 14 A floral arrangement with a gold theme, accessories allowed
NOT TO EXCEED 38cm x 38cm
- 15 A fresh floral arrangement in a tea cup. And saucer
- 16 A fresh foliage arrangement
*** NOT TO EXCEED 38cmx38cm***

Garden Vegetable Section – 11 classes

- 17 1 cucumber
- 18 3 dressed onions, no heavier than 250g each
- 19 6 pods of runner beans
- 20 4 chilli peppers on a plate
- 21 4 potatoes, 1 variety
- 22 3 pieces of any other vegetable (1 variety)
- 23 1 imperfect vegetable
- 24 5 tomatoes with stalks, 1 variety
- 25 3 stems of rhubarb
- 26 5 pieces of fruit with stalks
- 27 4 apples, 1 variety

Produce Section – 14 classes

- 28 Lancashire parkin
- 29 A shortbread round
- 30 4 pieces of any tray bake
- 31 A baked item using yeast
- 32 A fruit pie
- 33 A fruit cake
- 34 4 sausage rolls
- 35 A vegetarian quiche
- 36 A cherry cake
- 37 Jar of home made strawberry jam
- 38 Jar of home made unusual jam
- 39 Jar of home made lemon curd
- 40 Jar of home made chutney(label mild, medium or hot)
- 41 Jar of home made pickle

Please note: Label and date all jars. Those not sealed with a NEW twist on lid should be covered with a wax disc and cellophane.

Presentation of jars will be taken into account.

No uncooked fresh cream to be used in any class.

Set recipes

- 42 All comers: Apple cake
- 43 Men only: Cheese scone

Adult Handicrafts – 12 classes

Please ensure exhibitors' cards are securely attached

- 44 An item of patch work
- 45 Cross stitch ***MAX 38cm x 38cm including frame***
- 46 Your choice of a crocheted item
- 47 A knitted article
- 48 A soft toy, any medium
- 49 An item of quilting
- 50 An example of applique
- 51 A piece of embroidery ***MAX 38cm x 38cm including any frame***
- 52 You've made it, let's see it! - Hard crafts ***MAX 50cm x 50cm x 50cm***
- 53 You've made it, let's see it! - Soft crafts ***MAX 90cm x 90cm x 90cm***
- 54 A repaired item ***MAX 38cm x 38cm***
- 55 An item that has been repurposed

Art Section – 6 classes

PLEASE STRING ALL ART EXHIBITS

A max of 2 pictures may be submitted in each of categories 56 to 60 using any painting or drawing medium

- 56 A miniature picture, size not to exceed A5 including frame
- 57 The great outdoors
- 58 Fruit an/or flowers
- 59 All creatures great and small
- 60 Black and white
- 61 Open subject, painted or drawn ***only 1 entry per exhibitor***

Home Produced Eggs – 3 classes

All eggs should be displayed in bowls provided by the committee

- 62 3 hen eggs, of one colour
- 63 1 hen egg, to be broken by the judge (known as content egg)
- 64 1 single egg (choose your best)
- 65 3 bantam eggs
- 66 2 duck or goose eggs

Photography

Photographs should not exceed 20cm x 13cm and should not be framed or mounted except for class 76.

Exhibitors' cards should be taped or blu-tacked next to their photographs.

Adult Photography

- 67 Wildlife
- 68 Shadows
- 69 Night time
- 70 Patterns in nature
- 71 An action shot
- 72 A telephone box
- 73 A summer garden
- 74 A reflection of water
- 75 Sunset
- 76 A photograph with a witty caption (may be mounted on card to allow for the caption to be written underneath)

Children's Photography – 5 classes

Exhibitor's cards should be taped or blu-tacked next to their photos, MAX 20cm x 13cm, which must have been taken by the child him/herself.

- 77 Creepy crawlies
- 78 An unusual tree shape
- 79 My favourite animal
- 80 My favourite food
- 81 Flowers

Children's Creativity Section

Up to and including 6 years – 6 classes

- 82 Make a gold crown
- 83 A painted stone
- 84 Colour picture, provided, any medium
- 85 A Lego model. ***Max Size 30cm x 30cm x 30cm***
- 86 3 chocolate crispy cakes
- 87 Grow cress in a small container

From 7 to 10 years – 6 classes

- 88 A Lego model. ***MAX SIZE 30cm x 30cm x 30cm***
- 89 Make a bug hotel ***MAX SIZE 20cm x 20cm x 20cm***
- 90 A craft item, sewing or knitting
- 91 A miniature garden
- 92 4 jam tarts
- 93 Grow a Sunflower in a pot you have decorated

From 11 to 15 years – 6 classes

- 94 Design and make a board game
- 95 Make a model using wood or metal
- 96 A computer designed birthday card
- 97 A fresh hand tied posy
- 98 A seascape painting unframed, any medium, ***MAX SIZE A4***
- 99 Grow a Sunflower in a pot you have decorated

Set Recipe

- 100 Children only: A Malteser tray bake

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