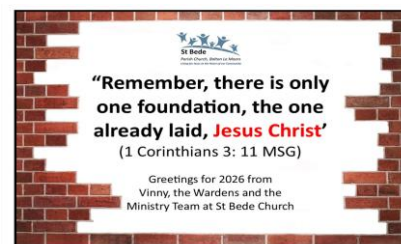


11th October 2026



Editorial

19th Sunday after Trinity

Reading: Galatians 5 v 13-26

In Galatians 5:13-26, St Paul reminds us that the Christian life is not simply about believing the right things but allowing the Holy Spirit to transform the way we live. Freedom in Christ is not freedom to live only for ourselves; it is freedom to love, serve and care for one another. Paul contrasts the desires of our human nature with the fruit that the Spirit produces: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

These qualities are not achieved through willpower alone. They grow as we remain close to God in prayer, worship and daily discipleship. The Spirit patiently works within us, shaping us to become more like Christ.

This passage invites us to pause and reflect. Where in our lives do we need God's transforming grace? Are there relationships that need healing, words that need gentleness, or attitudes that need reshaping? The fruit of the Spirit is most visible in how we treat others.

As we seek to love one another and build healthy relationships, may we open our hearts afresh to the Spirit's work. Let us ask God to mould us into people whose lives reflect His love, bringing encouragement, unity and hope to those around us.

Tony Whitehead - Licensed Lay Minister (Reader)



Please Pray for...

Minti R	Emma H
Lynne and family	Chloe
Anne & family	Rachael B
Barbara S	John H & Debs
Brenda & Ken	Sue S
Betty	Vinny H
Lee A	Bishop David †
Stuart & family	Michael F
Jackie	Joanne
Isaac	Pauline G & family
Jodie	David P
Anne H	Tania
Ross	Irene S
Belinda K	Donna
Phil & Sue B	Peter C
Norma M	Ethan's Family
Freda	Lydia W
Samantha W	Re-Ordering Project
Ben B	WoW & Beyond WoW
Ethan's family	Pause Café
Tony C	
Julie H Family	
Ina	

Remember, this list is for those who need our prayers,
not just the sick or bereaved.



This week at St Bede

Sunday 11th October

10am Holy Communion

Worship with us this week as we continue our sermon series on Relationships. Today we focus on how we grow right relationships with others. We are delighted to welcome Rev'd Julia Davies who will be preaching and presiding this morning.

Wednesday 14th October

6.15pm WOW (Worship on Wednesday)

Our WOW service continues this week as we continue our series reflecting on our relationships. This week we are exploring how we handle conflict and arguments.

Our Youth Group Beyond WOW also meets again this week for our older young people in Yr 7+ at Secondary School. Beyond WOW now begins at 6pm and finishes at 7pm. New members are welcome.

Sunday 18th October

10am Family Communion

Join us for a very special service as Rev'd Malcolm Bristow preaches and presides for the final time at St Bede Church this morning before he hangs up his robes





St Bede Charity Partner 2026.



COLLECT

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Our Church depends very heavily on fundraising as well as regular giving to keep our Church afloat.

We ask that you do continue to give by setting up a Standing Order from your bank. Please contact our Treasurer, Simon Brooks for further details – brooks_simon@hotmail.co.uk

Or visit our website www.st-bede.org.uk

REV'D MALCOLM BRISTOW

On **Sunday 18th October**, Malcolm is preaching and presiding for the final time at St Bede, after nearly 40 years service as a reader and priest. As a church we are truly indebted to Malcolm and Pat for their faithful service and ministry.

Malcolm and Pat will still be with us, once Malcolm 'retires', but it is important that as a church we celebrate and give thanks to God for his ministry.

So please do join us next Sunday for a very special service.

ST BEDE INCOME SURVEY

Each October, we ask our regular worshippers to complete an anonymous Income Survey form. This is required by our Diocese, who use the results of the survey to work out how much parish share (the amount of money our Diocese requests from St Bede to contribute towards our ministry costs including the costs of our clergy) to request from us at St Bede Church.

Income surveys are available from this Sunday, and we invite you to complete the survey and place it in the box at the back of church before Sunday 25th October. Thank you so much for your help and support in completing the Income Survey

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Christina Millington raised an astonishing £1,089. Well done and thanks to all who supported, it really was appreciated!

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR THE LOCAL HOSPITAL

A friend has asked whether we might be able to help with two requests from the local hospital.

Children's clothing: The hospital's A&E department is looking for donations of children's clothes. These are needed for situations where a child arrives at hospital, and their clothing has been damaged or needs to be cut off during treatment.

Craft materials: The hospital's Stroke Unit is also looking for craft materials that can be used when staff are working with patients.

If you have any suitable children's clothing or craft materials that you would be happy to donate, please pass them to me and I will make sure they are delivered to the hospital.

Thank you for your generosity and support.

Gill Blackburn



With
*Cheese
& Wine*

A selection of cheeses
and biscuits available
along with Red & White
wines and soft drinks.

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Tropic Evening

THURSDAY

OCTOBER 22ND | 7.30PM



ST BEDE PARISH CHURCH
NORMANBY STREET, BOLTON, BL3 3QR

We will also have
a demonstration for an

*Autumn
Flower Arrangement*

to be raffled
on the night!



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Join us for fun, food, songs, games,
and activities as we explore faith and life together.

We meet every Wednesday
6.15pm-7pm
St Bede Church Community Room





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Living for Jesus at the heart of our Community



LUNCHEON CLUB



DATES FOR 2026



Join us on the first Wednesday of every month at 12pm in St Bedes Church Community Room for a 2 course meal

£6.50



**EVERYONE
WELCOME**



**BOOKING
ESSENTIAL**



**GOOD FOOD
GREAT COMPANY**



For further information or to book a meal contact
email: churchoffice@st-bede.org.uk



Elaine and Dave Tel: 01942 793122





St Bede's is a living Church, and its people are The Church. The Church's only financial support is its own Church family.

Please try to support our social and fundraising events as they are vital not only to the financial wellbeing of our Church but are great opportunities to get to know one another better.

Your Church thanks you for your gifts of money, time and talents.

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