



PARISH OF ST BARTHOLOMEW WESTHOUGHTON

St Bartholomew

St Thomas

St George

Sunday 10th March 2019 – The First Sunday of Lent

TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

9.15am All Age/Parade/Holy Communion at St Thomas'

Hymns: **A&M 358, 592, 621, 667**

9.15am Service of the Word at St George's

Hymns as announced

11.00am Holy Communion at St Bartholomew's

Hymns **As hymn sheet**

1.30pm Baptism at St Bartholomew's *Annie Mae Cauchi*

2.30pm Baptism at St Bartholomew's *Esmee Jean Smith*

We remember in our prayers these children, their parents, godparents, family and friends.

- We welcome everyone to worship today; if this is your first time with us, please introduce yourselves to the clergy, wardens or sidespeople
- During the Administration of Holy Communion we keep silence or join with the singing of the communion hymns.
- At communion please come forward following the direction of the sidespeople to the communion rail.
- Gluten free wafers are available for those who need them. Please mention this to the clergy before the service.
- There are large print service and hymn books available if you need them.
- Coffee is served after all the services (except the 8am service)
- There is an induction loop at St. Bartholomew's – please switch hearing aids to the "T" setting

We pray for:

Those who are ill: Steve Berry, Irene Booth, Brian Cato, Joyce Cunliffe, Christopher Davies, Lisa Ginniff, Jenny Harris, Mario Heaton, Mavis Heaton, Derek Holroyd, Edith Ibbotson, Patricia James, Ailsa Maddison, Eileen Marsh, Isobelle Wallace, James Wright.

Those who have died recently: Ken Greenhalgh

And on their anniversaries this week we remember: Alice Bruton, Elizabeth Darbyshire, Ellen Greenhalgh, Derek Hassall, Maurice Hutchinson, Cyril James, Robert Lister, Walter Pendlebury, Mark Ramsden, Irene Roberts, Joyce Street.

This week:

OFFICE HOUR: Office Hour will no longer be on Monday evenings. To book baptisms, please come to office hour on Wednesdays at St. Bartholomew's Church 11:00am – noon; for other enquiries, please contact the rector – details overleaf.

Monday 11th March: Young people's confirmation course session I 6:15 - 7:00pm at St. John's Wingates

Tuesday 12th March: Lent Group 7:30pm at St. John's Wingates which is focussing on the theme of the Lord's Prayer. This week is session I "Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be your name." The session will finish with the evening service of Compline.

Wednesday 13th March: Holy Communion at St. Bartholomew's 10:00am.

Thursday 14th March: "Into all the world" Bolton Parish Church 12:15pm Holy Communion followed by lunch in the parish hall and a talk from Revd Moira Slack, Lecturer, associate Vicar and Police Chaplain I – 1:45pm. Revd Moira Slack is known to many of us having covered services for us during the interregnum.

COMING UP:

BBC Songs of Praise: Be in the audience for the Young Choirs festival on Sun 10th March from 2:30 – 6:30pm.

Tickets are free but you do need to register at their box office on 01204 522569 or

www.boltonmethodistmission.org.uk – more details on the posters in church.

Bolton Chamber Orchestra Concert: Saturday 23rd March 7:30pm at St. Bartholomew's – tickets £10 available at the door. Music by Rossini, Haydn and the Dvorak 'Cello Concerto, soloist Graham Morris.

Confirmation Service: has been set for Sunday 19th May at 3:00pm. Details and application forms for adults and children are available – do see any of the clergy. Forms need to be returned TODAY. First class for the young people will be on Monday 11th 6:15-7:00pm at Wingates.

Sunday 17th March at 2pm: concert at St John's Wingates. It is a joint concert by the Bennett Ladies Choir and Astley Unlimited Choir. No ticket needed, refreshments will be available.

Sunday 31st March: Mothering Sunday – usual services at our churches with input from our church schools. It's also the weekend that the clocks go forward.

Thank you to St Thomas' for their kind donation of £120.24, to the Children's Society, raised at their Carol service. Christine & Andrew Jolley Children's Society Parish Reps

Electoral Roll: The electoral roll is a list of church members and records those allowed to vote at our Annual Meeting. Every six years we have to revise it completely, so everyone will be asked to complete a new form in March 2019. This will also have a section stating that you are happy to let us keep those details under the recent Data Protection Regulations.

Committee Meetings – March:

Monday 18th 7:00pm St. Bartholomew's committee followed at **7:30pm** by the PCC

Tuesday 19th 7:30pm St. Thomas' committee

Thursday 28th 7:30pm St. George's Committee at St. George's church



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The Collect:

Heavenly Father, your Son battled with the powers of darkness, and grew closer to you in the desert: help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer that we may witness to your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26. 1 - 11

Moses spoke to the people, saying: ¹When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, ²you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. ³You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us.' ⁴When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God, ⁵you shall make this response before the LORD your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. ⁶When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, ⁷we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; ⁹and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me.' You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. ¹¹Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

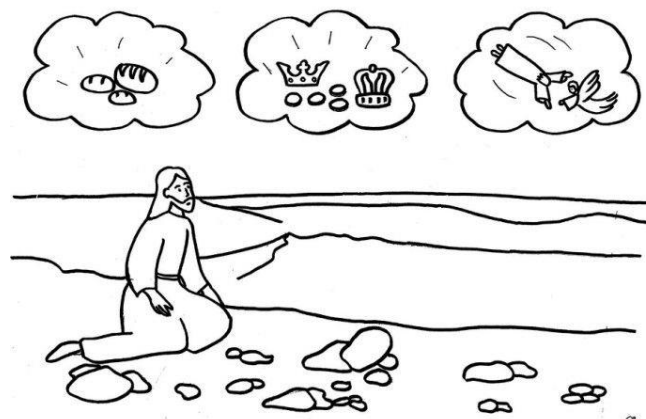
New Testament Reading: Romans 10. 8b - 13

⁸What does scripture say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is

generous to all who call on him. ¹³For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Gospel Reading: Luke 4. 1 - 13

¹Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ²where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. ³The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.' ⁴Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone."' ⁵Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. ⁷If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' ⁸Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."' ⁹Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you", ¹¹and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' ¹²Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' ¹³When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.



Post Communion:

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Next Sunday: – The Second Sunday of Lent

Readings: Genesis 15. 1-1, 17-18 / Philippians 3. 17-4.1 / Luke 13. 31-end

8.00am	St Thomas'	Holy Communion	Revd Angela Wynne
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9.15am	St George's	Holy Communion	Revd Peter Harley
11.00am	St Bartholomew's	Holy Communion	Revd Carol Pharaoh

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Material for the news sheet should be sent to Joan Warner by Wednesday morning 01942 818821 joan.warner35@outlook.com

Please take this pewsheet with you and a copy of the March Newsletter which gives details of all our services and events across the team from Ash Wednesday to Easter Day.