



**27th September to
3rd October 2020
Trinity 16**

Welcome

A very warm welcome to Bolton Priory. We are a Christian community in the heart of the Yorkshire Dales National Park who welcomes everyone and celebrates human diversity.

Who we are

Bolton Priory is an Anglican Church, within the Diocese of Leeds, where there has been continuous worship since 1154. When the Priory was dissolved in 1539, permission was granted for the parish to continue worshipping in the nave which is now the Priory Church. The Reformation is a daily backdrop to our lives and, fittingly, worship is centred around the Book of Common Prayer 1662 which, in the Spirit of Pentecost, is used and understood across the world wide Anglican communion. Bolton Priory is committed, not only to reflecting the glory and majesty of God in its worship but proclaiming the Gospel particularly by seeking social justice and stewardship of God's creation.

Please Pray For

Graham Umpleby

This month we pray for schoolchildren across the United Kingdom who have recently returned to school as well as those who teach and support them. We also pray for those returning to University and Colleges of Higher Education at the end of the month. We continue to pray for all those affected by Coronavirus (COVID-19), both in the United Kingdom, and around the world. We pray for those who are still suffering, as well as the vulnerable and those who are still shielding at home. Make us mindful of others at all times. We continue to pray for scientists around the world that they might develop a vaccine.

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy
In this time of uncertainty and distress
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,
and lift up all who are brought low;
That we may rejoice in your comfort
knowing that nothing can separate us
from your love in Jesus Christ our Lord

Amen

Anniversary of Death

Shirley Davidson (2016), Vivienne Midgley (2016), Andy Turnbull (2015),
Betsy Crabtree (2010), Tommy Carr (2009), Mona Nelson (2008)

The Collect for the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

O LORD, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without thy succour, preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 17. 17 –end NRSV

Elijah Revives the Widow's Son

After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill; his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. She then said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance, and to cause the death of my son!" But he said to her, "Give me your son." He took him from her bosom, carried him up into the upper chamber where he was lodging, and laid him on his own bed. He cried out to the LORD, "O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I am staying, by killing her son?" Then he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried out to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again." The LORD listened to the voice of Elijah; the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. Elijah took the child, brought him down from the upper chamber into the house, and gave him to his mother; then Elijah said, "See, your son is alive." So the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth."

The Gospel Reading: Luke 17. 11-17 NRSV

Jesus Raises the Widow's Son at Nain

Soon afterwards he went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. As he approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother's only son, and she was a widow; and with her was a large crowd from the town. When the Lord saw her, he had compassion for her and said to her, "Do not weep." Then he came forward and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, rise!" The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized all of them; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen among us!" and "God has looked favourably on his people!" This word about him spread throughout Judea and all the surrounding country.

Notices

Rector's Messages

The readings today are about those who were raised from the dead in the Bible. First of all the widow's son who was raised by Elijah and then the boy whom Jesus raised from the dead at Nain. These miraculous stories are at odds with our scientific age and who knows if such stories were meant figuratively or literally? I don't know but certainly do not discount the miraculous. However, at the centre of all Christian lives is the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. If Christ rose from the dead then everything else is possible. Furthermore, if Christ rose from the dead then all our lives are radically changed because we know that this earthly life is not finite and that there is the heavenly life to follow. Hold onto that thought because it may bring you back from the dead, figuratively speaking.

Trial on-Line Course on Science and Religion

The Faraday Institute at Cambridge University will be trialling a new online self-study course in the next couple of months. The topics include worshipping God with science, bioethics, artificial intelligence, creation care, beginning and end of life issues, theological issues arising from evolution, working with children and young people and supporting and making use of scientists in congregations. It takes 10-12 study hours and involves some interaction with a tutor. Bolton Priory has been invited to take part in this trial and, if anyone would be interested, please let me know. Rector

Face Coverings and Sanitising of Hands

Face coverings must be worn by all those attending a place of worship except for whoever is taking the service and, if it is a wedding, the bride and groom. Face coverings are intended to protect both the wearer and other people from COVID-19. They are not a replacement for physical distancing and sanitising which must also be strictly adhered to. We ask you to sanitise your hands on entering and leaving the Church.

Harvest Festival

Next Sunday, 4th October, is Harvest Festival. This year we are unable to distribute fresh or tinned items so we are asking you to donate to the Food Banks by putting something extra in the boxes in the supermarkets. The service is now full.

Services Each Sunday on the Priory website

Each Sunday there will be a recorded Church service on the Bolton Priory website. The service will include the music, readings and hymns for the week and a short sermon. On the first Sunday of the month we record our Liquid Family Service, a service suitable for all age groups.

Service Sheets

Orders of service will be given to all those attending Church services. After the service you are asked to take them home and bring them to Church when you next attend.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

A note from Macmillan on Friday

'It's the day we've all been waiting for! Thank you so much for choosing to be a part of the World's Biggest Coffee Morning. However you're hosting your event, we know that you'll rise to the occasion – and we hope you'll have a magnificent time while you're at it. We need your help like never before to be there for people living with cancer in these uncertain times, and every single penny you raise will help us enormously. Thank you so much for all your incredible efforts this year. Coffee Morning would be nothing without our wonderful hosts like you.'

A great big thank you to all of those who have sent cheques and sold items for our virtual Macmillan Coffee Morning. We will keep this going for a little longer to help all those who need more time. There is a box in the Tower for donations at the 10.30 am service and during the week. Donations can be sent to the Church Office, Bolton Abbey, Skipton BD23 6AL. Cheques should be made out to The Priory Church, Bolton Abbey and we can send one, large! cheque to Macmillan when all our monies are in.

Quilts, Throws and Cushions for Macmillan

Sue Foster, who has helped with the coffee morning every year, has been making quilts which she is donating to Macmillan. More details and some pictures are at the end of this weekly sheet. If you wish to see all the quilts the pictures can be emailed to you.

Sue says 'Ideal perhaps to cheer a spare guest bed, in the car or maybe a knee warmer for when the nights draw in. They are made from new cotton fabrics with wool wadding for extra comfort. All brand new and created during the past few months. Quarantined and made in a home free from the virus.'

The masks are still selling well and we now have over £300 and orders are still coming in to Val, 01943 430654. Thank you to everyone who has bought one and thank you to Val for making them. There are some in the Tower today.

Services at Bolton Priory

To book a place in advance please contact Margaret Cody, 01756 710587. The Tower will remain open for private prayer during the day from 9 am to 5 pm. The graveyard is open. *Please note the church toilets are not open but the ones in the Estate car park are.*

Access to Sunday Services On Line

If you can't get access to the Church services on line I am quite happy to talk you through this or email you the instruction as I have done, successfully, for some of our congregation. Margaret 01756 710587

Margaret's Musings!!

Those of you who receive the weekly sheet by email will realise there was a problem one week! Here are just a few of the emails I received – as well as telephone calls.

7 times and counting!!!

Actually 10 times here.

Now 14 all told.

Just to let you know I have received the Weekly Sheet 16 times from 12.12 to 14.01. Is this a record? If so, I claim my prize!

Hello Margaret I received 18 messages re weekly sheet. I hope the computer is ok.

I think there is something wrong with your mail software- and I suspect that I will not be alone.

I have now received at least 20 emails attaching this week's newsletter! Warm wishes.

I think the most was about 50!! You will all be pleased that Steve, the computer man, came out and solved the problem so you should all be okay now.

The Weekly Sheet and Parish Magazine

The Weekly Sheet and Parish Magazine are now on the Bolton Priory website with the latest news and updates. If you have anything which might be of interest for the sheet please send it to office@boltonpriory.org.uk

Do You Use Your Giving Envelopes?

We still have quite a lot of the boxed Giving Envelopes left. If you have decided not to use them and to give in one of the alternative ways please let the Church Office know, 01756 710587. Otherwise we will have to post them at £3.10 each.

The Friends of Bolton Priory Newsletter

If you would like the Newsletter you can find it online at prioryfriends.org.uk.

Baby Basics Project

Baby Basics supports new mothers who are struggling to meet the financial and practical burden of looking after a new baby. Please support them by contributing to their starter packs. Items needed are clothes 0-3 months, blankets, towels and Moses baskets. Donations can also be given which have been life lines. Please contact Mary Vineall, 01756 753013 for further information or look on the Baby Basics website.

Skipton Foodbank

Your contributions help to provide food parcels to those who have found themselves in difficulty in the Skipton and Craven areas. They are greatly appreciated. The need for food is even greater given the pressure of Coronavirus and we are very grateful for your support. If you do go shopping most supermarkets have collection points. Please keep your donations coming. Money can also be given. For further details please contact Lyn Bartlett lynvbartlett@hotmail.com

There are 5 quilted items for sale:

An oblong 4 squares quilt 19x43 £20

Small mini quilt 22x19 £15

Square mauve and turquoise quilt 27x27 £18

Patchwork quilt 28x38 £20

Japanese design fabric quilt 34" x 34" - £20

Square mauve and turquoise quilt 27" x 27" - £18

