

BENEFICE BULLETIN

Church News for Bedale, Burrill, Leeming and Thornton Watlass

SUNDAY 28TH FEBRUARY 2021

LENT 2

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

Sid Blanchard, Anthony Ellis, Lesley Hall, David & Delma Bode, John Hall, Margaret Hartley, Joyce Harber, Bel Newman, Yvonne Van Der Rey, Richard Fraser, Lynne Riddlestone, Barbara Jaques and Kath Marshall

RIP

Rev'd Malcolm Emmel, Elsie Marshal, Keith Johnson, Elsie Donald, & Lee Harker

Remember in your prayers our schools, the staff, pupils and head teachers.: Leeming and Londonderry - Nikki Rayner, Aiskew and Leeming Bar - Bethany Stanley, Thornton Watlass - Jane Wood, Bedale Primary School - Liz Turnbull, Bedale High School - Tom Kelly and Mowbray School - Jonathan Tearle

COLLECT AND READINGS FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Collect

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ,. Amen

First Reading - Genesis 17.1-7,15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, 'I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.' Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, 'As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.' God said to Abraham, 'As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.'

Second Reading - Romans 4.13-25

The promise that Abraham would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations') Abraham believed in the presence of the God who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations,' according to what was said, 'So numerous shall your descendants be.' He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him,' were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in God who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Gospel - Mark 8.31-38

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty God, by the prayer and discipline of Lent may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings, and by following in his Way come to share in his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY'S HYMNS

Will you come and follow me, if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave your self behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare, will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

Be still and know that I am God - Repeat x 3
I am the Lord that healeth thee, Repeat x 3
In thee, O Lord, I put my trust. Repeat x 3

And now, O Father, mindful of the love That bought us, once for all, on Calvary's tree, And having with us him that pleads above, We here present, we here spread forth to thee That only offering perfect in thine eyes, The one true, pure, immortal sacrifice.

And so we come: O draw us to thy feet Most patient Saviour, who canst love us still; And by this food, so aweful and so sweet, Deliver us from every touch of ill: In thine own service make us glad and free, And grant us nevermore to part from thee.

Service Times and Venues.

	9.15am—Communion Facebook and Conference Call	10.45—Communion Conference Call	16.00—Evensong Conference Call
28 Feb	St Gregory's	Burrill	St Mary's
	Bedale	Church	Thornton Watlass
7 Mar	St Gregory's	St John's	St Mary's
	Bedale	Leeming	Thornton Watlass



Bedale Benefice LENT 2021

The details of the Lent Programme can be found our Web Site.

Walkabout Lent has been set out in the church yards and churches of Bedale, Leeming and Thornton Watlass. Take a booklet from any of the churches or use the 'Q' codes to access a walkabout meditation suitable for all ages.



STUDY

Each Tuesday until Holy Week, we will a gather on Zoom at 7pm. The link is available digitally on our website



Meeting ID: 832 9480 0784 Passcode: 130526

During each session we will look at the readings for the following Sunday and talk around how each set of scriptures speak to us. The appropriate readings and collects are available from our web site, click on the 'Lent/Readings' tab.

REMOTE, YET SHARED LENT LUNCHES!



Join in a weekly Lent Lunch, each Wednesday, prepare a simple lunch & join in at 12.30 pm Share lunch & chat together as we journey through Lent.

Join Zoom Meeting—Detailed link on our web site.

Meeting ID: 867 9875 0476 Passcode: 118307

Please consider donating the following items



Sponge puddings, UHT Milk, Cereal Bars
Angel delight & Jellies, Tinned Mixed Veg,
Small jars of coffee, Deodorant, Toilet Roll, Shampoo.



Thank you - all donations are gratefully received.

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At the moment we don't need Pasta, Tinned fish, Tinned tomatoes, soup or beans thank you. Please also check all items are in date before donating them – Thanks very much

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