

08.00	Holy Communion President	Book of Common Prayer Revd Canon Matt Thompson
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	Hymn	435
	Reading	Exodus 17.1-7 Doreen Fort
	Gradual Hymn	96
	Gospel	John 4.5-42
	Creed	
	Sermon	Revd Canon Matt Thompson
	Anthem	I looked and Behold a White Cloud Healey Willan

*I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud once sat like unto the Son of Man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle. And another angel came out of the Temple, crying with a loud voice unto him that sat on the cloud. Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe. Lift up your eyes, and look upon the fields; for they are white even unto harvest, and he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal. The harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the Angels. Amen.*

Intercessions	Graham Burrows
Offertory Hymn	524
Communion	296 284
Final Hymn	455
Organ Music	Toccata Gigout

18.30 Evening Prayer Revd Barrie Gaskell

#### Midweek Services

Tuesday	12.15	Holy Communion	Canon M Thompson
Thursday	12.15	Holy Communion	Revd M Slack

#### SERVICES next Sunday Fourth Sunday of Lent/Mothering Sunday

08.00	Holy Communion President	Book of Common Prayer Revd Michelle Thompson
10.30	Parish Communion President Reader Intercessions	Common Worship Revd Moira Slack Bishop Bridgeman School Bolton Parish Church School
18.30	Choral Evensong	Revd Moira Slack

**Welcome** to our worship, especially if you are visiting or joining us for the first time. We hope that you will feel at home and will join us for refreshments after the 10.30 service in the Parish Hall, which is situated across the car park.

There is an induction loop for the hard of hearing. Please turn to T on your hearing aid. Please let a Church officer know if you have any problems.

**Meditation Group:** The Meditation Group meets on Monday 20 March at 7.30pm and Thursday 23 March at 2.00pm at the Friends Meeting House.

**Lent Reflections:** On Thursday 9 March, 16 March, 23 March, 30 March and 6 April the Lent Reflections will take place from 1.00pm to 1.45pm in the Parish Hall, with a light lunch served from 12.30pm. The series is entitled 'What on earth is the Church for?' This Thursday, the speaker will be Revd Mark Cowling, from Third Space, Bolton. All welcome.

**Electoral Roll :** A revision of the Electoral Roll begins on Sunday 12 March until Sunday 26 March with the new Electoral Roll being published by 9 April. Everyone who wishes to have their names added to the roll or to amend their details if they have changed in the last year will need to fill in an application form. Forms available from Evelyn Weston, the Electoral Roll Officer.

**Count Your Blessings:** Sunday School is joining in Christian Aid's 'Count Your Blessings' for Lent. If any members of the congregation would like to support them, there are leaflets available at the back of church or from Michelle.

**Sunday School:** Next Sunday, Sunday School will be holding a bakery and crafts stall for Mothering Sunday in Church. All proceeds will go to Christian Aid as part of their Lent project.

#### For our prayers

**Diocese:** For David, our Bishop; Mark Ashcroft & Mark Davies, our Suffragan Bishops. Parishes in the Deanery of Radcliffe & Prestwich; Dioceses of Mbale; Lichfield; St David's and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Latvia.

**World:** Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, Libya, Somalia, Yemen; Brunei, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia.

**People:** For all who are seeking for faith and for all those preparing for Baptism and Confirmation.

**For people in need, sickness or adversity.**

#### Are you new to Bolton or to this church? Would you like to make contact with us?

Please fill in your name and hand this slip to a warden or a member of the clergy.

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## Collects:

We beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Psalm 40.1-14

- 1 I waited patiently for the Lord\*  
and he inclined unto me, and heard my calling.
- 2 He brought me also out of the horrible pit, out of the mire and clay\*  
and set my feet upon the rock, and ordered my goings.
- 3 And he hath put a new song in my mouth\*  
even a thanksgiving unto our God.
- 4 Many shall see it, and fear\*  
and shall put their trust in the Lord.
- 5 Blessed is the man that hath set his hope in the Lord\*  
and turned not unto the proud, and to such as go about with lies.
- 6 O Lord my God, great are the wondrous works which thou hast done, like as be also thy thoughts which are to us-ward\*  
and yet there is no man that ordereth them unto thee.
- 7 If I should declare them, and speak of them\*  
they should be more than I am able to express.
- 8 Sacrifice, and meat-offering, thou wouldest not\*  
but mine ears hast thou opened.
- 9 Burnt-offerings, and sacrifice for sin, hast thou not required\*  
then said I, Lo, I come,
- 10 In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I should fulfil thy will, O my God\*  
I am content to do it; yea, thy law is within my heart.
- 11 I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation\*  
lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord, and that thou knowest.
- 12 I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart\*  
my talk hath been of thy truth, and of thy salvation.
- 13 I have not kept back thy loving mercy and truth\*  
from the great congregation.
- 14 Withdraw not thou thy mercy from me, O Lord\*  
let thy loving-kindness and thy truth always preserve me.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Ghost;\*  
as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be  
world without end. Amen.

## First Reading: Joshua 1.1-9

### Magnificat

- 1 My soul doth magnify the Lord\*  
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
- 2 For he hath regarded:\*  
the lowliness of his handmaiden.
- 3 For behold from henceforth:\*  
All generations shall call me blessed.
- 4 For he that is mighty hath magnified me:\*  
and holy is his name.
- 5 And his mercy is on them that fear him:\*  
throughout all generations.
- 6 He hath showed strength with his arm:\*  
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
- 7 He hath put down the mighty from their seat:\*  
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
- 8 He hath filled the hungry with good things:\*  
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
- 9 He remembering his mercy:\*  
hath holpen his servant Israel;
- 10 As he promised to our forefathers:\*  
Abraham and his seed for ever.

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and to the Holy Ghost;\*  
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world without end. Amen.

## Second Reading: Ephesians 6.10-20

### Nunc Dimittis

- 1 Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace:\*  
according to thy word,
- 2 For mine eyes have seen thy salvation:\*  
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
- 3 To be a light to lighten the Gentiles:\*  
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

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and to the Holy Ghost;\*  
as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be  
world without end. Amen.