



13th April 2025
Palm Sunday



Welcome

Welcome to Bolton Priory in the heart of the Yorkshire Dales. We are a Christian community, seeking to live well with God, gathered around Jesus Christ in prayer, witness and worship.

Who we are

Bolton Priory is an Anglican Church, in 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 to reflecting the glory and majesty of God in its worship and proclaiming the Gospel, particularly by seeking social justice and stewardship of God's creation.

Services Today

8.00 am	Holy Communion
10.30 am	All Ages Family Service with donkey
Readers	Fabian Mercer, Daisy Brown and Elizabeth Michelsberg
Introit	Make way, make way for Christ the King - Kendrick

Please Pray For: Anne Clarke, Colin Richards, John Ward and Jean Sutcliffe

Anniversary of death: Harry Ognall (2021)

THE COLLECT

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT

ZECHARIAH 9:9-12 KJV

Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the warhorses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the river to the ends of the earth. As for you, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will free your prisoners from the waterless pit. Return to your fortress, you prisoners of hope; even now I announce that I will restore twice as much to you.

THE GOSPEL

MARK 11: 1-11 KJV

And when they came nigh to Jerusalem, unto Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount of Olives, he sendeth forth two of his disciples, And saith unto them, Go your way into the village over against you: and as soon as ye be entered into it, ye shall find a colt tied, whereon never man sat; loose him, and bring him. And if any man say unto you, Why do ye

this? say ye that the Lord hath need of him; and straightway he will send him hither. And they went their way, and found the colt tied by the door without in a place where two ways met; and they loose him. And certain of them that stood there said unto them, What do ye, loosing the colt? And they said unto them even as Jesus had commanded: and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus, and cast their garments on him; and he sat upon him. And many spread their garments in the way: and others cut down branches off the trees, and strawed them in the way. And they that went before, and they that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna; Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Blessed be the kingdom of our father David, that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest. And Jesus entered into Jerusalem, and into the temple: and when he had looked round about upon all things, and now the eventide was come, he went out unto Bethany with the twelve.

Rector's message

This Sunday is Palm Sunday. It marks the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem when the crowd waved palm branches shouting "Hosanna to the Son of David". It also marks the start of Holy Week when we walk with Christ to the cross on Good Friday and then triumphantly proclaim the Resurrection on Easter Day. However, as well as the joyful acclamations, we also need to remind ourselves that, despite the joyful welcome that Jesus was given on his entry into Jerusalem, this turned ugly by the end of week when the same crowd called for his crucifixion. May this Sunday remind us all that, even though we think we are his disciples, we all have the potential to deny Christ too.

Electoral Roll 2025

Under the Church Representation Rules, a new electoral roll has to be prepared every six years. Bolton Priory's roll falls for renewal in 2025. Anyone wishing to be on the new electoral roll must complete one of the new forms which are available in the Tower after the service. At the same time, we are ensuring that all information held by

the parish is in accordance with the General Data Protection Rules (GDPR) and a consent form will be available at the same time. **Please return completed forms to the church office by Sunday 27th April.**

Streaming of Services

Bolton Priory live stream various services for those who are unable to attend our worship. By attending services, you consent to being filmed for the purposes of live streaming only. This consent also extends to any minors under your care and control. If you wish to sit in a film free part of the Church, please ask a sidesman. Please be aware that these premises are also protected by CCTV.

EASTER LILIES

There will be a member of the Flowers team in Church before and after the 10.30 service, taking donations and names for Easter Lilies. Cash is preferred but we can take a card via the machine on the wall or donations can be made online by emailing or calling Liz Clayton - liz@ashmarketing.co.uk 07880 700339 and she will give you the Flowers bank account details and take a note of the name (s) you wish to commemorate.

Kantos Chamber Choir - Rest Soft – 4.30pm

The Kantos Chamber Choir will perform the 2008 Pulitzer Prize winning piece 'The Little Match Girl Passion' by American composer David Lang this afternoon. The piece sets Hans Christian Andersen's story The Little Match Girl in the format of Bach's Saint Matthew Passion, interspersing Andersen's narrative with Lang's versions of the crowd and character responses from Bach's Passion. This performance promises to transcend the human realm and truly lift us out of this world, with performances of Tallis' Lamentations and Miller's companion piece, The City, Full of People. A beautiful start to Holy Week.

April Eco Tip

Fit more active travel into your day and daily routine. Reevaluate your journeys: explore walking or cycling options, or modify your route to

include some form of active travel, i.e. disembark a stop early and complete the remaining part of your journey on foot, indulge in a leisurely stroll, or opt for a bike ride along a cyclist-friendly route. Consider connecting with your local Ramblers or cycling group for shared experiences. Use the extra steps or the changed travel arrangements as a prompt to pray for God's creation, nature's preservation and the reduction in fossil fuel usage.

Stamp Collection

We are collecting stamps for the RNIB (Institute for the Blind). There is a box out on the table in the tower to put used stamps in. When collecting your stamps please don't include the envelope please cut round the stamps.

Bolton Abbey Village Hall AGM

The AGM will be held on Wednesday 23rd April at 4.30 pm in the Village Hall. Do come along and support your village hall. We have places for new committee members, if you are interested or you have anything you would like discussed please contact Barry Cody, Chairman 01756 710587 bookings@boltonabbeyvillagehall.org.uk

Baby Basics

Baby Basics is no longer functioning in Bradford but I have now sourced two other projects. The Biasan Project which caters for asylum seekers with clothes etc and the other is the Bradford Baby Bank. The Baby Bank is a charity dedicated to supporting families in need. Their mission is to ensure that every baby and young child in Bradford has essential items they need to thrive. Through their donations and the support of dedicated volunteers, they are able to provide items such as clothing, nappies, cots and other basic necessities. They are currently supporting over 40 families a week. I am still collecting items for the above projects and, as always, I am eternally grateful for the continued support you give me. Many thanks - Mary Vineall -01756 753013.

Skipton Foodbank

"It's been a very busy couple of weeks for the Foodbank and the shelves are looking very empty. Items we are most in need of are: UHT milk, instant coffee, Jam and Spreads, tinned Tomatoes and shampoo

Thank you to you all for your continuing support-The Foodbank Team"

FRIENDS OF BOLTON PRIORY



36TH AGM & LUNCH Sunday 11th May 2025

12.30 in the Bolton Abbey Village Hall
Tickets are £22 per person and include lunch
and a glass of wine.

You will be able to make your reservation with a
Committee Member from the 6th April 2025 either
before or after the Priory's Sunday Morning Service.

Alternatively please ring any of the following:

Jill Riley 01943 830190
Susan Barker 01756 711260
Amanda Wood 01943 811713
Katherine Hague 07725 608021

***We look forward to welcoming you
and thank you for your continuing support of the Friends.***

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Diary for the Week Ahead

Maundy Thursday

17th April

7.00pm Eucharist of the Last Supper

with Footwashing and Watch after then Blessed Sacrament until 9pm

Good Friday

18th April

10.am Children's Service and Hot Cross Buns

12.00 noon Three Hours Devotion, including the liturgy of Good Friday

Easter Day

20th April

8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Festal Eucharist

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