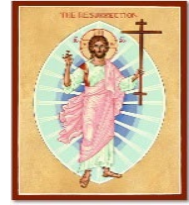




27th April 2025
First Sunday after Easter



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 witness, worship and prayer.

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	Ante Communion (led by Joyce Simpson)
Reader	Mike Vineall
Preacher	Joyce Simpson
Hymns	148, 158, 162, 140
Introit	Alleluia – Taize
Anthem	The peace of God - Rutter

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

The Deceased: His Holiness Pope Francis

THE COLLECT

ALMIGHTY Father, who hast given thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification: Grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may alway serve thee in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT

Ezekiel 37: 1-10 KJV

The hand of the LORD was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones, And caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, there were very many in the open valley; and, lo, they were very dry. And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord GOD, thou knowest. Again he said unto me, prophesy upon these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus saith the Lord GOD unto these bones; Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live: And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and ye shall live; and ye shall know that I am the LORD. So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and behold a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone. And when I beheld, lo, the sinews and the flesh came up upon them, and the skin covered them above: but there was no breath in them. Then said he unto me, Prophecy unto the wind, prophesy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live. So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army.

THE GOSPEL

St. John 20.19-23 KJV

THE same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut, where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad when they saw the Lord. Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost. Whosoever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whosoever sins ye retain, they are retained.

Rector's message

On this first Sunday after Easter, we hear of Jesus' first post resurrection appearance to his disciples. He stands in the midst of them and says "Peace be unto you" before breathing on them and conferring the Holy Spirit. This wonderful account of the Risen Christ is not only confirmation that he has conquered death but that he also seeks to bring peace to the world. In our war-torn world, this message of peace and victory over suffering could not be more appropriate. We pray during this Eastertide that the Risen Christ may, once again, bring peace to all mankind.

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.

Contactless Collection Plate

We have contactless collection plates at the Priory. This means that you can pay by card or donate cash in the usual fashion. If you wish to pay by card, the amount is set at £5 but this can be adjusted manually if you would like to pay more or less. Please note, that if you want to gift aid your donation you can only do this by using a yellow envelope which can be provided by the sidesmen.

Choral Evensong – Sunday 4th May

Giggleswick School will be singing Choral Evensong at Bolton Priory on Sunday 4th May at 4.30pm. All are most welcome to attend

Sedbergh Prep School concert

Sedburgh Prep School will be performing an informal concert at Bolton Priory on **Friday 9th May at 2pm**. All welcome

VE Day Commemoration Service

We will be holding a special service to commemorate the 80th anniversary of VE day on **Sunday 11th May at 10.30am**. This will be in place of our normal 10.30am sung Eucharist

Bolton Happy Voices

Bolton Happy Voices will be singing at Bolton Priory on Sunday 11th May at 1.30pm. Further details to follow.

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.

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"

Diary for the Week Ahead

Wednesday 30th April

10.00 am Holy Communion

6.30pm Choir Practise

Sunday 4th May (Second Sunday after Easter)

8.00 am Holy Communion

9.15 am Liquid Worship

10.30 am Sung Eucharist

12.00 noon Holy Baptism (Thomas Hardy)

4.30pm Choral Evensong (Giggleswick School)

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

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