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## Bamford Chapel & Norden URC

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CROWNED WITH THORNS



IS CROWNED  
GLORY  
WITH  
NOW



THOMAS KELLY

### April 2023

# **BAMFORD CHAPEL & NORDEN URC**

## **MISSION/VISION STATEMENT**



### **Worship**

In our devotion we will come together to express our joy, love and thanks through worship.

We shall share our praise and dedicate it to God.

### **Ministry**

Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit we will show compassion and love by understanding, supporting and meeting the spiritual, the physical and the emotional needs of others.

### **Evangelism**

We are called as Christians to share the good news; living as examples of Christ in our everyday lives we can spread the word and love of Jesus.

### **Discipleship**

We as a church have a responsibility as Christians to encourage people to know God and to enable them to develop their relationship with Him through prayer, discussion, study and learning.

### **Fellowship**

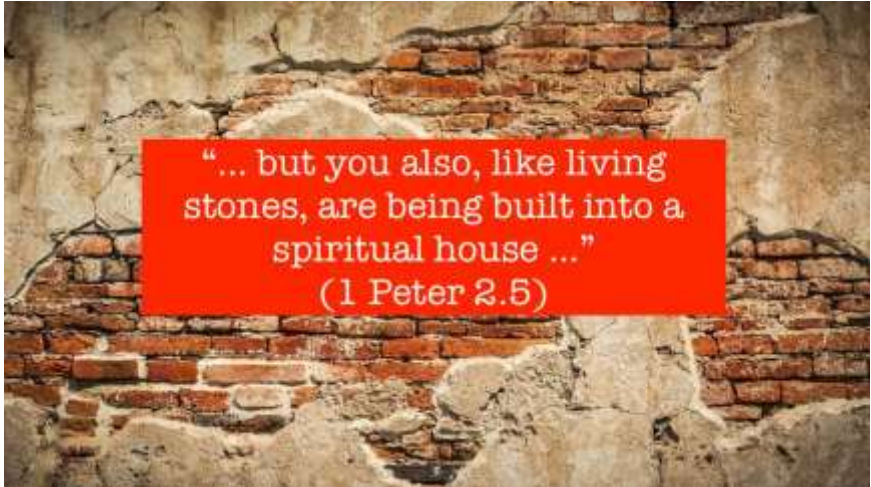
We welcome to our church family those who want to belong. We show our love for others by sharing acts of fellowship in God's name.

# April 2023

For those who are unable to attend Sunday morning worship, services are live-streamed on YouTube (Bamford Chapel and Norden United Reformed Church) and available on the church website ([www.bcnchurch.org.uk](http://www.bcnchurch.org.uk))

<b>Palm Sunday</b> 2 April	10.30 am	Family Worship with Communion Led Andy Platt
<b>Tuesday</b> 4 April	7.30 - 9.00 pm	Tuesday Home Group On Zoom
<b>Maundy Thursday</b> 6 April	7.00 pm	Maundy Thursday Worship Led by Revd Richard Bradley
<b>Good Friday</b> 7 April	10.00 am 1.30 pm 7.00 pm	Good Friday Worship Led by Debbie Wood Ramble led by Andy Platt Food for Thought - Drama Sketches (page 4)
<b>Easter Sunday</b> 9 April	9.00 am 10.30 am	Breakfast organised by Junior Church Family Worship with Communion Led by Margaret Ogden
<b>Saturday</b> 15 April	6.30 pm for 7 pm	Community Film Club "Hidden Figures" (see page 20)
<b>Sunday</b> 16 April	10.30 am	Family Worship Led by Cameron Baines
<b>Tuesday</b> 18 April	7.30 - 9.00 pm	Tuesday Home Group On Zoom
<b>Wednesday</b> 19 April	7.30 - 8.00 pm	Missional Partnership Prayer Time (on zoom - see page 6)
<b>Sunday</b> 23 April	10.30 am	Family Worship Led by Linda Rayner
<b>Sunday</b> 30 April	10.30 am	Family Worship Led by Revd Daniel Harris

# Pastoral Letter



I remember one of my Christian friends, who had some real problems with the modern concept of church, saying to me: **"How can we go to church when we are the church?"** He was a wild character developing a foraging business that supplied wild ingredients to the top restaurants in London. I was never able to come back with a good reply. Those words remained with me as I headed off to vicar factory; and years later, I find myself still thinking that he's got a good point.

The problem is that we all relate our idea and experience of "doing church" to that box we go to on Sunday. Our efforts go into maintaining the box and inviting other people to come to this box. But this box mentality can leave us feeling .... Well, boxed in.

And this is the dilemma. The words of 1 Peter remind us of a different reality: "As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like **living stones** are being built up as **a spiritual house**, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ." (1 Peter 2.4-8).

It is worth remembering that this was written in the days before the Early Church had buildings of their own. Instead, they were a house church movement and being church (rather than “doing church”) in the streets. They view church as a state of being without walls, rather than a space enclosed by walls. The big boxes came later.

But the phrase “living stones” is helpful to us. These days we do have buildings (the stones) that are our inheritance and are part of our story. To neglect these buildings would be a shame. But we are *living* stones. These boxes house living beings and (hopefully) thriving communities which author Ian Bradley calls “colonies of heaven.” Jesus describes the church as being his physical body in this reality, we are being his hands and legs so to speak. That makes the church a living thing where you and I are living beings within that wider organism. There is a tension and dynamic with our relationship with our boxes, but the emphasis should always be on God-breathed life within them.

My friend who hates boxes still has a good point, though. If we are target-fixed about our buildings, and let our relationship with our buildings define us, then our faith risks becoming boxed in. I think that we have to work harder to keep this distinction, that the early Church would have, as our buildings so dominate our spiritual landscapes. We might also have problems grasping that most of God’s activity is often beyond our walled sacred spaces.

So, with all of this, as I prepare to arrive at Bamford Chapel and Norden URC, I will be doing a series of sermons exploring what church is and is not. I will also be bringing some new people into membership at BC&N and will be holding a few extra sessions exploring church membership. Whether you are a member or about to become a member, these extra sessions might be of interest to you! Watch this space ...

Keep the faith,

*Daniel Harris*

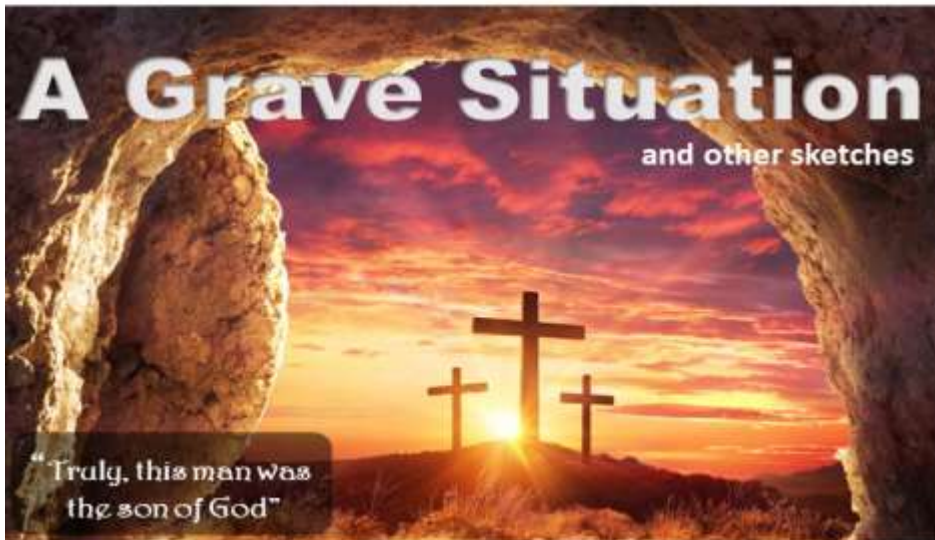
# Good Friday Drama

Bamford Chapel  
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Food for Thought

presents



**An evening of thought-provoking  
and fun drama sketches  
- and it's free!**

**Good Friday 7 April 2023  
19.00**

Bamford Chapel and Norden URC, Norden Road, Rochdale, OL11 5QP

## Help Needed

As we all know, every one of us has 3 basic needs which are either physical, spiritual or social.

At Bamford and Norden URC we endeavour to meet these needs. We provide food and drink at our Luncheon Club, Coffee Mornings, Big Breakfasts and so on. We provide warmth and shelter and opportunities for exercise within our uniformed organisations and our Monday gardening group. All of these things cater for our physical needs and to a certain extent, our social needs.

We endeavour to meet our spiritual needs through our various mid-week activities; bible study, discussion and prayer groups in addition to our worship services.

All of the above and others too are led by various committees, but the elders are conscious of the fact that there isn't a group to organise general social activities. We wondered whether there are those among us who would be enthusiastic in organising some events throughout the year; events which just bring people together to enjoy each other's company. Those of us who can look back over the years will fondly remember Beetle drives, Games Nights, Dances, Quizzes, Concerts, Walks and so on. These are things we no longer do.

Some will say that they are not the sort of things that Church is about and we agree that they are not the most important part of Church life. Our focus must always be on providing opportunities for us to get to know Jesus better. Having said that, we are a family and it is important that members get to know each other better too. Anything we can do to facilitate that can only be of value.

If you are interested in being part of a group that could look into this side of our family life, please speak to me or any of the Elders.

***Thank you. Margaret Ogden on behalf of the Elders***



# Missional Partnership Prayer Times



## Rochdale, Bury and North Manchester Missional Partnership times of prayer on zoom

### Dates and times

25<sup>th</sup> January: 7.30pm – 8pm

15<sup>th</sup> February: 10.30am – 11am

22<sup>nd</sup> March: 7.30pm – 8pm

19<sup>th</sup> April: 10.30am – 11am

17<sup>th</sup> May: 7.30pm – 8pm

21<sup>st</sup> June: 10.30am – 11am

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**ALL WELCOME!**

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Jesus often spent time in  
prayer.

It is important that we as  
followers of Jesus do likewise.

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# Outside an Empty Tomb

*Editor: Nigel Beeton of Parish Pump writes: 'One of the most beautiful stories in the Bible is found in John 20 and verses 14 – 16. A distraught Mary Magdalene is standing outside a tomb, and she is convinced that some ne'er do wells have stolen the body of her beloved Master, Jesus, for reasons which she can't begin to fathom. There's a gardener nearby, and he has the audacity to ask her why she's so upset...'*

"Oh woman, why this weeping?  
Oh woman, dry your tears!  
Oh woman, cease your weeping  
And lay aside your fears!"

"They've borne away my Master!  
And laid Him who knows where;  
His tomb is standing empty,  
And He's no longer there."

"Oh Sir, please will you tell me  
Where you have laid Him now?  
For you can surely tell me  
What they have done, and how;

Yes how may I now find Him  
And for His body care?  
For I will truly care for Him  
If you'll but show me where?"

He said to her, "My Mary!"  
She turned and met His eye  
She cried with joy, "My Master!"  
For she at last knew why

The tomb behind was empty  
And why no body lay –  
Her Master Christ is Risen  
Upon this Easter Day!

*(These verses are set to the tune 'Down by  
the Salley Gardens')*



## Midweek Worship



As you know, we held a survey about holding extra services, and I shared with you that the main results were: that there is a desire for services other than a Sunday morning, and there was an equal split between a midweek evening service and a Sunday evening service, with people expressing a hope that the Café Style Service continues. There was also a perceived need for a healing service. It was agreed that to begin with we will continue with the bi-

monthly café style service on a Sunday evening and trial a midweek evening service on the second Wednesday of the alternate month.

I am thrilled to let you know that the first of these midweek evening services will be on Wednesday April 12<sup>th</sup> at 7pm and we hope that you can join us! The dates for the rest of the year will then be: 14<sup>th</sup> June, 9<sup>th</sup> August, 11<sup>th</sup> October and 13<sup>th</sup> December.



For this new venture to work we need YOU to help. If you can help in ANY way - whether by leading/supporting the worship, or helping with tech, or being on welcome duty, or with refreshments - PLEASE contact me (Debbie) on 07757723708 so I can organise support for each of the services in advance. If any church groups think they would like to lead one of the services please let me

know. We also intend trialling a healing service so please contact me if you could help with this too!

Please pray that we can meet the request for extra services.

Thank you in advance for your support. If you would like to attend these services but would need help in getting to and from church please just let me know.



*God bless, Debbie xx*

## Ladies Fellowship



**The April meeting has been cancelled due to Easter holidays. The next meeting will be the AGM on Thursday 11th May.**

**The group is desperately in need of new committee members, particularly to take on organisational roles, otherwise Ladies Fellowship will have to close. If you think this is something you would be interested in, please speak to Linda Kerford or Linda Peacock.**

# The Chernobyl Three who saved millions of lives



A far worse disaster could have resulted at Chernobyl, if it hadn't been for three Ukrainian men most of us have never heard of.

## Background

Thirty-seven years ago two massive explosions occurred at one of the plant's four nuclear

reactors, releasing 400 times more radiation than the atomic bomb that exploded over Hiroshima. It was the worst nuclear power plant accident in history, both in casualties and costs suffered by Ukraine and many neighbouring countries. The long-term toll is still growing.

## Worse to come

A further and more devastating thermonuclear explosion was imminent from the melting Reactor 4, unless its rapidly melting core was prevented from touching the 23 million litres water pool below. However, two gate valves in the base of the pool – if opened – would release the water and prevent any further explosion.

## The Chernobyl Three

Three workers at the plant stepped forward and volunteered to go into the murky radioactive brew and twist the valves open. They knew it would be the last thing they ever did because of certain death from radioactive poisoning.

They suited up and against all odds, dived into the pool and managed to twist open both gate valves. Over the next day, all 23 million litres of radioactive water drained from beneath Reactor 4. There was no further nuclear explosion. The trio's unselfish action probably saved millions of lives.

Within a few weeks all three men died of radiation sickness and were buried in lead-lined coffins. Their names were: Alexi Amanenko, Valeri Bespalov and Boris Baranov.

**"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."  
John 15:13**

*Steve Lawley*

## Appeal for Donations



Can we give everyone a gentle reminder that the box for donations to the Foodbank lives at the front of church at the top of the slope. Because of the economic situation we

have far more people using the Foodbank, and our supplies are dwindling fast. Please try to remember to put something in the box each week; anything in a tin, packet or jar would be gratefully appreciated.

***Margaret Ogden and Gill James***

## Why Easter will never go away



How do you make sense of the Resurrection? Dead men don't rise, so why believe that this particular dead man *did* rise?

At the end of St Luke's gospel we read that: "they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement" (Luke 24.4). This is highly

significant. The Gospels do not show us a group of disciples who were in a receptive frame of mind. After the crucifixion, they were in hiding, frightened and scattered. Then suddenly, they came out of hiding and were totally different; excited, joyful. By Pentecost they were confident, with one firm message: 'You crucified Jesus, but God raised Him up!'

How did they know this? Because of direct personal experience. Some of them had visited the tomb of Jesus: it was empty. Others claimed to have seen and touched the risen Lord. Were they hallucinating? People can hallucinate in groups – when taking drugs, for example. But of course, each one will see a different hallucination. But the disciples all saw the same thing. Or rather, the same person. Jesus.

Were they lying? Jesus had died a humiliating death as a criminal. Perhaps they wanted to rescue His good name. So, did they pretend they had seen Him?

This theory has a big problem. Their preaching led them into trouble with the authorities. They were beaten and imprisoned and some of them killed.

People will die for ideas and causes which they believe in passionately. But not for things they have made up. We might suffer for our convictions, but we will not suffer for our inventions.

What about the 'swoon' theory? That Jesus didn't die on the cross, despite terrible wounds? That He recovered in the tomb, and then escaped? That the disciples nursed Him back to health? But Roman soldiers knew when a man was dead; and there was the guard on the tomb. Also, the events which followed simply don't fit. If the disciples had been hiding Jesus all along, they would have kept very low-key, and out of the way, so that the authorities did not come after Him again.

Besides, to preach that God had raised Jesus from the dead – which is exactly what they did preach – would have been a lie. Beatings and threat of death would soon have loosened their tongues. Inventions crumble under pressure; convictions hold fast.

Another reason for believing in the Resurrection is this: Jesus' continuing impact. Thousands and soon millions of people in every generation since have shared an inescapable sense of being 'accompanied' through life. Though unseen, they identify this presence as the Risen Lord.

Sometimes this experience of meeting Jesus is gentle and fitful. Sometimes it is dramatic and life changing. This reminds us that the resurrection of Jesus is not just an interesting historical puzzle. It is a vital, present day reality. It brings wonderful comfort, assuring us of the central Christian truths: death is dead; Jesus is alive; God is love.

This central notion was captured, most movingly, by the great Albert Schweitzer: ***'He came to those men who knew Him not. He speaks to us the same word: "Follow thou me," and sets us to the tasks which He has to fulfil for our time. He commands. And to those who obey Him, whether they be wise or simple, He will reveal Himself in the toils, the conflicts, the suffering which they shall pass through in His fellowship, and, as ineffable mystery, they shall learn in their own experience who He is.'***

***Have a joyful – and a challenging – Easter***





# Eco Church



## Eat Seasonally

With our supermarkets open 24/7 and stocked daily with produce from all over the world, it's easy to forget about when and where things grow.



Eating seasonally simply means eating what is grown now, locally. So, what are the benefits of this?



It's cheap - local, seasonal produce can be grown mostly in natural conditions and transported easily to the point of sale.



It tastes better – flavour and freshness are not lost during lengthy transportation.



It's healthier - the fresher the food, the higher the nutritional content.



It supports your community - local growers receive the profits.



Above all, it's kinder to the planet - local food has a much lower carbon footprint, so is much more environmentally friendly and sustainable.



# Walking 100 miles for Christies

## My reason for doing this challenge

Back in October 2022 my mum was diagnosed with Melanoma after having a mole removed from her neck. She had numerous appointments at our local Christies hospital and surgery. Thankfully after all the uncertainty my mum was given the all clear in January.

I wanted to say thank you to Christies by raising some vital funds for them.

Why walk 100 miles? I love walking so knew this challenge would be easy for me, but I was wrong!



## My journey

Before setting out on a walk I'd try to plan it so I was hitting 4-5 miles on each walk, but somedays the walks got cut short. I enjoyed lots of fresh air, stunning views and finding the odd resting place to enjoy a cuppa tea. I logged my mileage using an app on my mobile phone which uses GPS to track you whilst you're walking. At the end of the challenge I had walked 101 miles in total.

## What is the money used for?

I managed to raise £300 for Christies. The money I've raised means that Christies can provide enhanced services over and above the NHS funds. This includes continuous funding for a number of services throughout the hospital, including the cancer information centre, wig fitting service, art room and complementary therapy. They are also raising money for major developments including their campaign to bring blood testing closer to home.

**Thank You to everyone who has supported me!**

***Lisa Guest***

# Peel Tower Charity Abseil



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*“Sit on top of the parapet- swing your legs over so you’re kneeling on the edge holding onto the handrail. Now, one by one, put your legs down and feel for the ledge.”*

**“WHAT LEDGE! I CANT FEEL A LEDGE!”** Phew there it was, and then

all we had to do was feed the rope and walk down the wall. **“Easy”** said Christopher.

This was the start of our charity abseil down Peel Tower on Saturday 11th March. Of course before we even got onto the wall, we had a safety rope on!



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I cant remember at which exact moment I said **“WHY AM I DOING THIS !?”** Probably as I climbed onto the wall, and then again as I tried and failed repeatedly to keep my feet in contact with the wall on the way down!

After the snowstorms we had had in the days leading up to the event, we were blessed with a glorious, if very cold, sunny morning on which to walk

the very pleasant but icy, short way up to Peel Tower. Then the steps! - approximately 125, plus the spiral stairway. I expect the instructor wondered what he was working with when I stopped, panting, for a rest! But their superb instruction and encouragement got us all down safely, and soon I was hearing those wonderful words “*come on Mum, you’ve got this, not far now*” and I was back on solid ground.

Which is what Nightstop (part of DePaul UK) hope to achieve, through your donations, for the young people that they deal with; solid ground, somewhere to call home, someone to believe in them, to love them, to fight their cause.

Nightstop train volunteer hosts to have young people stay in their home for a few days or few weeks until a more permanent solution can be found. This helps to avoid street homelessness which can very quickly descend into drugs, prostitution, abuse and exploitation.

**Here are some of the reasons that the young people we have hosted have needed help.**

***Not able to pay the rent after a benefit change delay.***

***Can’t live at home as Mum is violent due to mental health problems.***

***Sexual harassment from a landlord, so ran away.***

***Violence at home so living in a squat.***

***Got in a fight with step dad, thrown out of home.***

***Long term in care, then descended into drug use and street homelessness, (this lad is now in his own flat in Liverpool and working).***



Thankyou for all your donations and encouragement. If you would like to know more about becoming a host, please get in touch.

**Jane Baines** [jtv60@hotmail.com](mailto:jtv60@hotmail.com)

# The Coronation Anthem “I Was Glad”



**As we look forward to the Coronation of King Charles III, the following article is printed with permission from the author *Les Ryan, Organist, Mumbles Ministry Area, Swansea***

Sir Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918) is famous for several religious works: for example, the music for the hymn *Jerusalem*, the Coronation Anthem *I was glad* and the lovely tune *Repton* to the words *Dear Lord and father of mankind*.

Parry was born in Bournemouth to a wealthy family. He attended Eton and then Exeter College, Oxford. He had set his eyes on a business career and read Law and Modern History. However, music was soon to take over his life. He became an assistant editor writing 123 articles for the ground-breaking *Dictionary of Music and Musicians* compiled by George Grove. By the 1880s Parry was Professor of Composition at the Royal College of Music and in 1895 became its principal. At the same time, he was also Heather Professor of Music at Oxford. The post, and the funding for it, comes from a bequest by William Heather (c1563 – 1627). It is an exceptional honour. Parry's hobby, when he was not involved in music, was sailing, and he became a member of the Royal Yacht Squadron – quite an achievement!

All Coronation services, since King Charles I in 1626, have featured a choral setting of words from Psalm 122 – '*I was glad when they said unto me let us go unto the House of the Lord*' to be sung as an anthem when the monarch arrived at the west door of Westminster Abbey.

Parry's majestic anthem was composed for King Edward VII in 1902 and revised for King George V in 1911 with additional brass and organ fanfares.

The music features a double choir (two sections of sopranos, two of altos, etc), organ and orchestra. The music has an overwhelming feeling of grandeur and empire.

Parry's innovation in this piece was the addition of the Latin acclamations *Vivat Rex* (Long live the King!) or *Vivat Regina* (Long live the Queen!) which traditionally are sung (or rather, shouted) by the scholars of Westminster School.

Not everything runs smoothly at these great national events. For example, one of Handel's coronation anthems in 1717 for King George II and Queen Caroline ended in confusion we are told, while another of the anthems in the Order of Service was left out altogether! In 1902, '*I was glad*' finished too early in the service. The King hadn't even arrived at the west door of the abbey, so the quick-thinking organist improvised some tunes on the spot until King Edward VII turned up (rather late)! Then the anthem was sung all over again!

Much more recently, in 2011, *I was glad* was sung for the bridal procession of Catherine Middleton at her marriage to Prince William. It was also sung at the wedding of Prince Charles and Diana in 1981.

In 1898 Parry was appointed a Knight Bachelor and in the 1902 Coronation honours he was created a Baronet of Highnam Court. Parry died after catching Spanish flu during the pandemic in 1918.

## Easter Ramble & Easter Breakfast

**7th April - Good Friday Ramble - 1.30 pm - meet at Chapel**

**Sunday 9th April - 9.00 am -  
Easter Breakfast**

**Sign up on the notice board**





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***THE IAN NEWMAN COMMUNITY FILM CLUB***

**Saturday 15th April 2023**

**6.30pm refreshments : 7.00pm film**

**Admission £3**

**“Hidden Figures” PG 2015**



***Supported by Rochdale Township***



## Community Film Club

### Films shown since 2017

Back to the Future  
Singing in the Rain  
It's a Wonderful Life  
Sing  
Superman  
Glenn Miller Story  
Lion  
Lady in a Van  
Dunkirk  
La La Land  
Murder on the Orient Express  
Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid  
Paddington 2  
Fishermen's Friends  
Christopher Robin  
Another Mother's Son  
Victoria and Abdul  
Stan and Ollie  
The Keeper  
Witness  
Sleepless in Seattle  
Sully  
A Streetcat Named Bob  
Darkest Hour  
The Children Act  
The BFG  
Mamma Mia Here We Go Again  
The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society

Seven Brides for Seven Brothers  
The Greatest Showman  
The Lost King  
Mrs Harris Goes to Paris  
Dream Horse  
Where the Crawdads Sing  
Hidden Figures  
My Cousin Rachel  
Ladies in Lavender  
Little Women  
Amelia  
Forrest Gump  
War Horse  
Belfast  
West Side Story  
Downton Abbey [a new era]  
While You Were Sleeping

***I think this is all. If I have  
forgotten any, please let me  
know?? Lesley Sutton***

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# Missional Partnership Café Church



Rochdale, Bury and North  
Manchester Missional  
Partnership Café Church

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May – 6.30pm  
(changed from the 7<sup>th</sup>)

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – 6.30pm  
(at Radcliffe and Stand URC)

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September  
Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November  
(unless otherwise stated services  
at Bamford Chapel and Norden  
URC)

## Church Flowers



**Donations for flowers placed in church  
in March were received from:**

**Carolyn Divers in memory of  
her Dad's Anniversary**

**Pat & David Stephenson for their  
Wedding Anniversary**

**Anne Fitton for John's 70th Birthday  
& for their Wedding Anniversary**

**Margaret Frain in memory of Geoff & their Wedding Anniversary**

# Messy Church - 23 May

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**ALL  
ARE  
WELCOME**



*On Sunday 23 May 2 – 4 pm*

**@ Bamford Chapel and  
Norden URC**

Norden Road Rochdale

OL11 5PQ



Come to  
**Professor  
Potty's**  
Lab

**children** please bring an adult with you



## Midweek Opportunities for Learning & Sharing Fellowship

<b>Monday:</b>	9.00 am Monday Gang / Garden Gang (who do work in or around the building) 10.15 am Pastoral Meeting 1.30 pm Bridge Club 8.00 pm Monday Night Home Group (at Redmond's) 7.30 - 8.30 pm Monday Prayer Group (in Lounge)
<b>Tuesday:</b>	9.00 – 11.00 am Toddlers' Group 1.30 – 4.00 pm Indoor Bowls (Upstairs Hall) From 6.00 pm Rainbows, Brownies & Guides 7.15 pm Singing Group
<b>Wednesday:</b>	12 noon Luncheon Club 6.30 pm Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association
<b>Thursday:</b>	10.00 am - 12 noon Coffee Morning & Warm Hub
<b>Friday:</b>	6.00 pm onwards Beavers, Cubs and Scouts
<b>Sunday:</b>	7.30 pm God Squad (for Teenagers)

## Fortnightly & Monthly Opportunities

<b>Tuesday:</b>	<b>Home Group</b>	<b>4th &amp; 18th April</b>
	7.30 - 9.00 pm	On Zoom
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>Ladies Fellowship</b>	2nd Thursday in the month
	1.00 - 3.00 pm	<b>No meeting in April (see page 9)</b>
	<b>Heritage Group</b>	2nd Thursday in the month
	7.30 pm	<b>13 April In Church</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Dementia Friendly Café</b>	1st Friday in the month
	1.30 - 3.30 pm	<b>Held 31st March (week early)</b>
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>Ian Newman</b>	3rd Saturday in the month
	<b>Community Film Club</b>	<b>15th April (see page 20)</b>
	6.30 pm for 7.00 pm film	

For further information please see website [www.bcnchurch.org.uk](http://www.bcnchurch.org.uk)  
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